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Dear Parents

SCHOOL YEAR 2021/2022 - NEWSLETTER NO 19

CERTIFICATES

Well done to these children who received the certificates for the past week from their teachers.

Mr Dean	-	Joshua Bidwell
Mrs Goode and Mr Allen	-	Harriet Evans
Miss Abraham	-	Evie Tottle
Miss Ramli	-	Olive Pearson Lake
Miss Moore and Mrs Williams	-	Rosie Rimmer
Mr Evens	-	Jessica Dedman
Mr Garcia	-	Henry Millman
Mrs Leonard	-	Logan Cox
Miss Hake	-	Harry Janiak
Mrs North	-	Aurora Gibson
Miss Wingett	-	James Tezkan

GENERAL SCHOOL UPDATE

This week has been the first for some time that we have not had to bubble isolate a class, which is much better. The number of cases has slowed considerably due to the measures we have taken in school as well as you as parents at home. You will have noticed that the staff have continued to wear face masks when in general areas and when in the playground at the start and end of the day. We will continue to do this until half term as a precaution for both the staff and the children. Thankfully, we have managed to keep the classes going unlike other schools who have had much more staffing issues. Thank you for also wearing face masks on the school site, this is appreciated by us. We do look forward to the day when we can hopefully return to some sort of normality!

NUMBER DAY

On Friday 5 February, all the children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 took part in the NSPCC Number Day. The children came to school dressed in numbers or in Maths related costumes, like dominoes, Number Blocks and dice. They enjoyed spending the day completing maths activities, including playing maths games, singing maths songs, listening to Maths related stories and playing the online game Numbots.



PARALYMPIAN AND SPONSORSHIP

We know many of the children are busy raising sponsorship to challenge themselves in the Paralympian sponsorship event and are very excited to meet our Paralympic athlete - Jack Rutter. He was the England Cerebral Palsy football and TEAM GB at the Rio Paralympics in 2016. Please encourage them to practice their exercises and raise sponsorship for the event.

The children will all need to wear their PE kits to school on Tuesday 8 February!



Sponsorship online

You can collect sponsorship using the form sent home or, if you would prefer to sponsor your child online, you will need to register them first.

- Click on the following link <https://sportsforschools.org/>
- Click on 'Set a Fundraiser Page' and look for our school event. Once you have found it, again click on 'Set a Fundraiser Page' to sign up. After that your child/ren is registered. Once you have set up their fundraising page, you and other people can sign in and sponsor your child online.

The children are waiting in anticipation for the visit of Jack Rutter. Hopefully, we can raise lots of money to support the amazing work that the PA are already doing to continue to drive the transformation of our outdoor areas.

The money that you have raised through PA events and your enthusiasm to take part and help out at these events, is already starting to make a dramatic difference to all the children's playtimes and lunchtimes.

Please, keep supporting our fantastic PA with your time and in all their fundraising events.

The staff and children are immensely grateful to them and all of you for the changes that you are making happen!



SAFER INTERNET

This week it is Safer Internet day. This will take place on Tuesday 8 February. The theme this year is 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'. I have included some links for parents to look at before then.

[Advice for parents and carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

The children will be doing something related to e-safety and reliability online next week in their computing lessons.

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR VACANCY

We currently have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor. If you are interested in becoming part of our lunchtime team, then please contact the office for more details. The hours are 12 noon to 1.30pm Monday to Friday. Hopefully, we will be able to recruit very shortly.

PA NEWS

Forest school Update

Work starts on the new forest school on the 18th of February. With a campfire, den making area, wild area and sensory paths we are really excited about the plans & how much enjoyment the children are going to get out of it. We are trying to reuse and recycle materials where possible. If you have any spare materials from home building products we would welcome donations for:

Paving slabs and edging, concrete, rockery stones, wood chippings, gravel, sand, shingles, stones. Please get in touch almondsburyschoolpa@gmail.com

You can also support this project via the Amazon wish list
https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/WA57Q7YFH4Y6?ref=wl_share

Fundraising Meeting

We're looking to rearrange Movie Night for just before Easter. We're planning another Grounds Day Lite on 26th March (10am - midday), a playground sale selling cakes and secondhand uniform on Monday 4th April, and a Family Fun Day on Saturday 25th June which is a refresh of the Summer Fayre. Mayhair Mayhem and a non-uniform day is also in plan - we are just working out dates, so watch this space!

We need lots of help at each event and this year, we're asking all parents to volunteer at least one event, so please speak to Caroline, Elise, Sammy, Nat or your class rep, or contact the PA inbox to let us know how you can help: almondsburyschoolpa@gmail.com

Lastly, our new clothes recycling section is being delivered this week, so watch out for delivery via the social media channels!

Email address: office@almondsburyprimary.co.uk

Website: www.almondsburyprimary.co.uk

Secondhand Uniform:

Please pop any good condition uniform in a size labelled bag in the blue box in reception. Aka uniform you'd be prepared to buy yourself- no holes, repairs, marks or stains. We won't be accepting white shirts from now on, unless they are brand new.

HELPFUL WEBSITES

There are a number of websites that will be helpful for each child to investigate to help them with their home learning. This week's website is: <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

Best wishes



Mr Paul D Smith
Executive Head Teacher

LETTERS SENT OUT LAST WEEK AND POSTED ON WEBSITE		
CONTENT	YEAR GROUP	INFORMATION OR ACTION
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DATES 2021/22

TERM 3

Tuesday 8 February

Paralympic athlete visiting school for the day and working with pupils on sponsored event

Friday 11 February

Miss Moore's and Mrs William's class swimming

Thursday 17 February

Last day for pupils of Term 3

Friday 18 February

INSET DAY – school closed to pupils

TERM 4

Monday 28 February

Start of Term 4 for children

Friday 4 March

Year 1 and 2 WOW day

Explorer Dome in school for Year 1 and 2 and Years 5 and 6

Friday 11 March

Miss Moore's and Mrs William's class swimming

Friday 18 March

Miss Moore's and Mrs William's class swimming

Comic Relief Day

Friday 25 March

Miss Moore's and Mrs William's class swimming

Monday 4 April

Miss Moore's and Mrs William's class swimming

Friday 8 April

SMSC Week

End of Term 4

Term dates for 2021/22

Term	Starts	Ends
Term 1	Thursday 2 September 2021	Friday 22 October 2021
Term 2	Monday 1 November 2021	Friday 17 December 2021
Term 3	Tuesday 4 January 2022	Friday 18 February 2022
Term 4	Monday 28 February 2022	Friday 8 April 2022
Term 5	Monday 25 April 2022	Friday 27 May 2022
Term 6	Monday 6 June 2022	Thursday 21 July 2022
INSET DAYS confirmed	Thursday 2 September 2021 Friday 3 September 2021 Tuesday 4 January 2022 Friday 18 February 2022 Friday 27 May 2022	