

20 June 2022

Dear Parents

SCHOOL YEAR 2021/2022 - NEWSLETTER NO 34

CERTIFICATES

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

Mr Dean	-	Georgia Begbey
Mrs Goode and Mr Allen	-	Isabelle Portch
Miss Abraham	-	Harrison Redmond
Miss Ramli	-	The whole class
Miss Moore and Mrs Williams	-	The whole class
Mr Evens	-	Jasmine Watt
Mr Garcia	-	Valeria Pena Vallejo
Mrs Leonard	-	Oscar Blackburn
Miss Hake	-	Sophia Day
Mrs North	-	Evie Rae
Miss Wingett	-	Finley Whitlock

GENERAL SCHOOL UPDATE

We are really looking forward to welcoming everyone to our first summer event for the past three years on Saturday. The PA have worked hard to organise a great fun day for everyone to enjoy. Please do come along and enjoy. As part of this there will be a non-uniform day on Friday this week in exchange for the children bringing into school donations for the cake stall and tombola – so cakes, bottles of various contents (including alcohol allowed), tins, toiletries, etc.

Many thanks in advance for your contributions. We are hoping that the sun will shine, however if it does rain there is a contingency plan so we can go ahead with the fun day mainly indoors and some aspects outside. Please look out for further information as the week progresses.



As we are now in the summer period, please make sure you either apply sun screen to your children before they arrive at school or send a small bottle of sun screen into school with your child to apply themselves. We can help the children but they do need to be able to apply the sun screen themselves.

RAISE THE ROOF SINGING FESTIVAL

The Year 3 and 4 children have had a fantastic time learning a set of musically challenging songs in preparation for a festival which took place on Thursday afternoon. Tim Parker, head of singing in schools, visited us to hear the children sing the songs they had learnt and to lead a workshop with them to give them a wider singing experience. The children absolutely sung their hearts out and certainly did 'raise the roof'! Tim commented on not only how well behaved our children are, but also the skill, musicianship and enthusiasm they displayed. He was very impressed! Some of the songs will be performed at the Family Fun Day so be sure to come along and hear what they have been working on. Well done to all our Year 3 and 4 children - you were fabulous!



YEAR 1 AND 2 VISIT TO BERKELEY CASTLE

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As part of our topic Castles and Dragons, Year 1 & 2 spent a lovely day at Berkley Castle. The day started with us exploring the castle with a guided tour, we had the opportunity to see many artefacts, visit the different parts of the castle and discover how the castle has changed over time. We then did a dragon trail and took part in a Tudor dancing workshop. We finished the day off by exploring the beautiful castle grounds.



ENGLISH TEAM REQUEST FOR PARENTAL SURVEY

The English team would appreciate it if parents could take a few moments to complete an end-of-year survey about reading and English at Almondsbury. It will really help us to understand how we can make reading and learning vocabulary at home as manageable as possible. Please follow the link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1ZX8l0AFfMuhxjPgNGDkmMr-P65lAlnyq9v89dpW-vCU/edit>

CELEBRATION DAY

We are so looking forward to welcoming you back into school to re-instate our Celebration Day on Friday 15 July. You will be able to come into school and see your child's work and visit their classroom. We have made the decision to split the day across the school so that there isn't a huge crush and everyone in school at once. Some of the younger children find this overwhelming and their just isn't enough space in school. Therefore, these are the times for each class.

9.15 – 10.30 am	10.45 – 12.00 am	2.00 – 3.15pm
Rec 1 – Miss Wingett	Year 1 – Miss Hake	Rec 2 – Mrs North and Ms Hill
Year 1/ 2 – Mrs Leonard	Year 3 – Mr Evens	Year 2 – Mr Garcia
Year 3/ 4 – Miss Moore and Mrs Williams	Year 5 – Miss Abraham	Year 4 – Miss Ramli
Year 5/6 – Mrs Goode and Mr Allen		Year 6 – Mr Dean

The children will have a picnic on that day for lunch so there will be no cooked meals just sandwiches made from the kitchen.

WRAPAROUND CARE FOR SEPTEMBER 2022

I am really pleased to inform you that our Breakfast Club has been a great success this academic year. Mrs Byrne, Mrs Byrant, Miss Ivory, Mrs McAulay, Mrs Spicer and Ms Hill have been fantastic at providing the children with a range of breakfast options and activities. It has been so successful we now have a waiting list for spaces. We currently run a 32 place club but will be increasing that to 40 and possibly 48 in September. This will enable more children to access the club, especially new Reception parents.

The after-school club has been much more problematic, as you know. However, the trial with Sports4Kids this term has worked very well. As a result, the provision for September will increase to Monday to Thursday until 5.30pm from Monday 5 September. The clubs will run every week of the school year. More details and the options for the clubs during the first hour alongside all the other clubs will be sent out to you in the next few weeks. This will give you time to choose the variety of options for the children to attend. All the children who attend the clubs will be able to access the final hour between 4.30 and 5.30pm. If the demand is there, we may be able to also include Fridays in the future.

Sports4Kids are also keen to provide us with holiday clubs and especially on INSET days if there is a need. On the letter that comes out this will also be included to gauge whether it will be viable. If so, we will organise the holiday club for the last week of the summer holiday and include the two INSET days.

Watch out for the letter with further details.

PARKING

Can Parents please refrain from parking in the bus stop outside school and also in the school car park please. Many thanks.

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LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR VACANCY

We currently have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor. If you are interested in becoming part of our lunchtime team or know of anyone who would enjoy working with our children, then please contact the office for more details. The hours are 11.50am to 1.20pm Monday to Friday. Hopefully, we will be able to recruit very shortly. There are also vacancies in the kitchen for 10 hours per week. If you are interested please see Mrs Byrne for more details.



NUT-FREE SCHOOL

Please remember that we are a nut-free school. Please do not send your child to school with nuts or nut-based products for snacks or in their lunch boxes.

PA NEWS

Dates for the Diary:

- **23rd June:** All Summer Raffle tickets and money to be handed in
- **24th June:** Non uniform day in exchange for a prize for the Tombola (bottles/Cans of soft drinks or alcohol, toiletries, Jars)
- **25th June:** Family Fun Day 12:30-3:30pm
- **8th July:** Hair Mayhem Day

Family Fun Day - 25th June



Purchase your Entry Donation in advance here: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/almondsburypa/index.cfm?>

Saturday is our Family Fun Day from 12:30-15:30. Please come along and enjoy the day! Bring a picnic blanket or chairs! It's going to be fab!

As well as food (BBQ and Cream tea) and a bar, there will be:

- marshmallow toasting in the new forest school
- festival glitter
- tattoos
- sweets
- games
- bouncy castle
- assault course
- games (run by yr 6)
- lucky dip
- fidgets and fun toys
- tug of war competition
- an outdoor disco

And many of the children will be performing in the Arena (see attached Arena timings).

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We've also got a card reader if you need to pay by card for anything. These will be located on the bar and cakes stall.

There is a non-uniform day on 24th June in exchange for a bottle/ can (soft or alcohol) for the tombola.

Thank you to all the volunteers who have contributed their time, and especially our section leads: Amy, Sammy, Corinne, Natalie, Lizzie, Emma, Elise, Kate, Rachel, Simon, Carly and Caroline. Thanks in addition to the 'Dad squad' (Ian, Kieran, Nick, Tom and Adam) who are setting up the gazebos on Friday from 5:30pm. Feel free to join them, and I believe there is a pub trip planned after.

On the day, we'll be using the disco as an opportunity (whilst the children are enjoying themselves) to clear away and pack up, so please lend a hand. It takes a huge team effort to put on an event like this and your help is truly appreciated.

Family Fun Day: Summer Raffle*

Please return all tickets by Thursday 23rd June

The eldest child in your family will have bought home two books of raffle tickets. We would appreciate it if you could make every effort to sell all the tickets to family, friends, work colleagues etc. Tickets are £1 each and there are 5 tickets per book. If you haven't received any tickets or simply require additional tickets, please pick up more from the school office.

Please return all counterfoils to your child's class teacher, or the office, by Thursday 23rd June. The draw will take place at 14.15 on Saturday 25th June at the Family Fun Day.

We have some fantastic prizes to be won which have all been generously donated by local businesses:

Hand held Arcade Machine

Mojo Voucher

Voucher for a Pony Day at Shepperdine Riding School

Meal for four at the Three Brooks in Bradley Stoke

Rugby Ball signed by Bristol Bears Players

Westbury David Lloyd Family Voucher for 2 weeks

Bowl inn meal voucher

Filton golf club voucher

Sunday nursery plant

3 Course Sunday Lunch for 2 at Aztec West Hotel

* NB correction to promotor details on the Raffle Tickets: Promotor: Samantha Waterhouse, 39 Dogwood Road. Almondsbury BS32 4FJ

Family Fun Day: Tug of War Competition

Enter here: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/almondsbury/index.cfm?>

New to the Family Fun Day is the Tug of War competition, an opportunity for a role reversal as the parents and carers do the taking part and the children stand on the side lines cheering on.

The cost is £5 for a team of six, at least two men and two women on each team please.

A tray bake of 14 luxury cakes (donated by Almondsbury Garden Centre) for the winners!

Entry forms are via the above link (click on Family Fun Day) or from reception.

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.e-learningforkids.org/>

Best wishes



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LETTERS SENT OUT LAST WEEK AND POSTED ON WEBSITE

CONTENT	YEAR GROUP	INFORMATION OR ACTION
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DATES 2021/22

TERM 6

Tuesday 21 June	Year 6 visit to Legoland
Thursday 23 June	Re-arranged class photos
Friday 24 June	Non-uniform day. Mr Evens's class swimming
Saturday 25 June	PA Summer Family Fun Day starting at 12.30 – 3.30pm
Friday 1 July	Mr Evens's class swimming
Wednesday 6 July	Reception visit to Bristol Aquarium
Friday 8 July	PA Mad-hair day Mr Evens's class swimming
Friday 15 July	Celebration Day with parental visits and picnic for children Mr Evens's class swimming
Tuesday 19 July	Year 3 visit to
Wednesday 20 July	Year 4 visit to
Thursday 21 July	Year 6 Leaver's Service 9.30am Last day of the school year

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 for next academic year	Thursday 1 September 2022 Friday 2 September 2022 Monday 31 October 2022 Friday 26 May 2023 Plus one day in January/February To be confirmed.	