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Dear Parents

SCHOOL YEAR 2021/2022 - NEWSLETTER NO 36

CERTIFICATES

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

Mr Dean - Neve Adams Maya Frankcom

Mrs Goode and Mr Allen-Sophia EvansMiss Abraham-Alessia MerlinoMiss Ramli-Imogen Gibbin

Miss Moore and Mrs Williams - Shay Drewitt Isla Drewitt

Mr Evens - Hugh Watson
Mr Garcia - Kabir Degaonkar
Mrs Leonard - William Jarvis
Miss Hake - Matthew Berry
Mrs North - Marnie Rae
Miss Wingett - Kiera Whitlock

GENERAL SCHOOL UPDATE

The children continue to work hard and the year 5 and 6's are eagerly practicing their lines and songs for their upcoming production of School of Rock. We are all looking forward to seeing and hearing how well they have been rehearsing for the show when they perform next week to the rest of the school and their parents.

As you may know Rev Rowe is retiring from his role as the clergy for Almondsbury and the rest of the parish. Rev Rowe has been a regular visitor and feature of our school over the past 26 years. We will be celebrating his time at Almondsbury before he leaves. We would like to mark his leaving with a collection from the school community. If you would like to donate to this collection please do so and send any contributions to school in a marked envelope to either your children's class teachers or the school office. Many thanks in advance.

TENNIS FESTIVAL

The year 4 and 5 tennis squad had such a fantastic day at the tennis festival at Colstons Collegiate Secondary School. They started the afternoon by taking part in some skills training. There was a 10min break where the children enjoyed some tasty chocolate cookies and juice, as promised, and then the games began. The children played some great tennis against a range of different schools and standards. Their tennis improved, dramatically over the afternoon, and they finished in 4th place. Well done to the children who all received medals and an extra congratulations to Millie who won a trophy for the most improved player of the tournament.



ENGLISH TEAM REQUEST FOR PARENTAL SURVEY

If you haven't already done so, 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/1ZX8I0AFfMuhxjPqNGDkmMr-P65IAInyq9v89dpW-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	Year 5 – Miss Abraham	Year 4 – Miss Ramli
Williams		
Year 5/6 – Mrs Goode and Mr		Year 6 – Mr Dean
Allen		

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

E-SAFETY NEWSLETTER

Attached to this newsletter is the next E-safety newsletter for your information. The theme for this month is about how to keep safe when playing online games and the ratings for these games. Also featured are family settings. There are also some links to different safe websites that can be used at home.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE





Visit the library and become a Gadgeteer with the Summer Reading Challenge 2022 - it's FUN and FREE!

All children aged 4 – 11 are invited to take part! Children read books over the summer holiday and collect stickers (including some stinky ones!) to complete their special *Gadgeteers* poster and get a medal and certificate.

Join *Gadgeteers*, Summer Reading Challenge 2022 at a South Gloucestershire library from Saturday 9 July finishing by Saturday 10 September and pick up your FREE bag of Gadgeteer Goodies* and see the difference the Summer Reading Challenge makes to your child's reading:

'Wonderful. Really got our daughter engaged and excited about reading. Great idea to keep them reading over the summer' *Parent, Emersons Green*

'We really enjoyed completing the challenge. It encouraged my son to read every night as he wanted to complete it as soon as possible. We will definitely be completing again next year. I can see a big improvement in his reading' *Parent, Kingswood*

"... I'd like to do this every day of my entire life!" Child, Staple Hill

Children love taking part and there are lots of **awesome FREE activities**: Fizz Pop Science workshops and Gadgeteer themed crafts and Lego clubs.

Find out more at www.southglos.gov.uk/summerreadingchallenge or like us on Facebook www.facebook.com/sqloslibraries for the latest updates.

* Available whilst stocks last.



NATIONAL BOOK TOKENS

The National Book Token company are currently running a competition for which the winning school will win £5,000 worth of book tokens to spend on books. This would be a fantastic prize should we be lucky to win. To enable the school to be in with a chance we need as many nominations as possible from staff, parents, governors and the wider Almondsbury community. To nominate the school all you need to do is click the link and enter your details and our school name. Win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for your school If your nominated entry is picked you will also win £100 worth of book tokens for yourself. The closing date for this is 31 July 2022. Thank you in

advance.

SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Please see the link below for the exciting opportunities for Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme provision over the summer holidays.

Supporting families in school holidays | BETA - South Gloucestershire Council (southglos.gov.uk)

These activities are free for those pupils who are entitled to Free School Meals. Please look through the programme of activities for those you are interested in and apply by following the booking links to book directly with providers.

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.

Are you looking for term time, flexible or part time work?

Integra is part of South Gloucestershire Council and we're looking for committed and

reliable people for a range of cleaning and catering positions that we currently have. No formal qualifications or experience is required, as full training and support will be provided, although some experience is required for some of our catering roles.

We are a dynamic, forward-looking authority and our success is built on our people, which is why we are committed to ensuring equal opportunities for everyone who works for us.

We have various roles, flexible working hours and term time options available, so if you or someone you know maybe interested in joining us, please contact our teams below.

For catering roles, contact: Rosemarie Matthews 07712238228

For cleaning roles, contact: Alison Miles 07753782865



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:

- 8th July: Hair Mayhem Day



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:

Best wishes

Mr Paul D Smith

Executive Head Teacher

LETTERS SENT OUT LAST WEEK AND POSTED ON WEBSITE			
CONTENT	YEAR GROUP	INFORMATION OR ACTION	
		Information and action	
		Information and action	

DATES 2021/22

TERM 6

Wednesday 6 July Reception visit to Bristol Aquarium

Year 5 into Year 6 parents meeting for France trip

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 water treatment plant
Year 4 visit to water treatment plant
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	Thursday 1 September 2022	
confirmed	Friday 2 September 2022	
for next	Monday 31 October 2022	
academic	Friday 26 May 2023	
year	Plus one day in January/February	
	To be confirmed.	