

14 November 2022

Dear Parents

SCHOOL YEAR 2022/2023 - NEWSLETTER NO 10

CERTIFICATES

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

Mr Dean	-	Jacob Wiltshire
Mrs Goode and Mr Allen	-	Lola Hutt
Miss Abraham	-	Hana Rozpedowska
Miss Ramli	-	Jaiya Voual
Mrs Williams and Mr Ramshaw	-	Amber Michael
Mr Evens	-	Poppy Ford
Mr Garcia	-	James Jermy
Mrs Leonard	-	Jayden Norman
Miss Hake	-	Alvin Ho Hi
Mrs North and Ms Hill	-	Poppy Polak
Miss Wingett	-	Amber Millington



REMEMBRANCE WEEK

It was a privilege to represent the school at the village Remembrance Service. As usual, some of the children came along in their uniforms to lay the poppy wreaths. They represented the school very well. The children in Reception classes went to the War Memorial last Friday as well to investigate this and lay some poppies.



RECEPTION AUTUMN DAY

Last week, Reception took part in their 'Autumn day'. They began by following clues around the field to find Leafman, who had gone missing! They were very excited when they finally found him in the vegetable patch! The children then had great fun getting muddy, digging up the carrots, potatoes, onions and parsnips. Once back inside, the children listened to the 'Pumpkin Soup' story and learnt how to safely use peelers and knives to prepare the vegetables to make their own vegetable soup. During the day, they used leaves, acorns, sticks and conkers to create their own Leafman portraits and also made saltdough and used tools to create their own hedgehogs. In the afternoon, they gathered as many Autumn leaves as they could find and had lots of fun trying to jump over the giant leaf pile! Before going home, the children enjoyed tasting their homemade soup. On Friday we all walked up to the Almondsbury War Memorial to pay our respects and learn about Remembrance Day and why we wear poppies. We created our own tribute using our poppies from our uniforms.



YEAR 3 AND 4 EGYPTOLOGY DAY

On Wednesday, Year 3 and 4 had a fantastic day, learning all about Ancient Egypt and some of the customs and traditions. We started the day with a workshop, learning how to read Egyptian hieroglyphics followed by creating our own cartouche. We also spent a session creating a beautiful sunset scene with an Egyptian silhouette. In the afternoon, the children looked at the process of mummification and made scarab beetles using clay. The children looked fantastic in their costumes and enjoyed all of the activities.



CAKE SALE

In January, our Year 5 and 6 choir have the amazing opportunity to perform at 'Young Voices'. We will be travelling up to Birmingham with St. Peter's School to take part in this exciting, nation-wide event. To help with the funding of this, we will be running a cake sale after school on the 25 November. There will be lots of delicious treats to purchase for a small fee - who doesn't like a Friday treat? Please support this event and help raise much needed funds to send our school choir on this fantastic trip.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Thank you all so much for your involvement and enthusiasm for Book Week this year - we have been so impressed by how many people have taken part in our events! To keep this enthusiasm going, we are really keen to open our school library after school one or two days a week. If you would be interested in being one of our volunteer librarians or if you would like to be a regular volunteer who listens to our readers in school, please email either Mrs North, Miss Hake or Mrs Goode for more details.

CHILDREN IN NEED

Also at the end of this week Children in Need takes place. Once again we will be participating in collecting money for the Children in Need charity. This year the School Parliament have decided that our school participation will be all the children coming into school **WEARING SPOTS**. The suggested donation is as usual a £1 coin to be brought into school on Friday 18 November for the collection. Thank you in advance for your support.



CHARLIE FROUD FOUNDATION

This year the School Parliament have decided to support a very local charity, which is based in Almondsbury – The Charlie Froud Foundation. The charity support mountain rescue teams as well as other local charities such as the Jesse May Trust.

The children have been set the challenge of collecting as many one penny coins as possible between now and 30 June 2023. We know that at the moment there are some tough choices being made by families so please do not worry if you are unable to give anything between now and then but if you are able to then please do send in your one penny coins. This is also a competition between the other local schools. The school which collects the most coins will receive £1,000 as a reward kindly donated by the Forss family who are trustees. Thank you in advance.

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: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/wordsandpictures/index.shtml>

PA NEWS

Movie Night (The Grinch) Friday 25 November - 6-8pm

There is still a chance to purchase the last remaining tickets. Purchase here: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/almondsburypta>. Tickets are £4 each and include a treat, popcorn and a drink.

Colour Hamper Raffle Tickets

Each family will have opportunity to purchase tickets for a chance to win one of our 11 amazing colour hampers (2021 examples below). Tickets need to be returned with money to the school by Wednesday 24 November (including any spare/unsold tickets). There will be a non-school uniform day on Friday 25 November in exchange for a donation for the colour hamper raffle. Please can all donations be in your class hampers by Friday 25 November.

Don't miss out you got to be in to win it!!😊



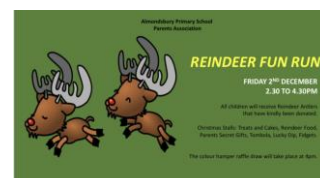
Reindeer Run - Friday 2 December 2.30-4.30pm

Come and support the children taking part in the reindeer run. If the children kept their reindeer antlers from last year please encourage the children to bring them in to reuse. For children who do not have any, Antlers will be provided.

There will be some fantastic stalls where we will have cakes, fidgets, secret gift room, reindeer food, lucky dip, & chocolate tombola. So please support the school as we fundraiser for the next phase of the playground project.

To donate directly to the children completing their laps in the Reindeer Run, click here: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/Reindeerrun2022?invite=true>

If you are able to help/assist at any events please get in touch with the PA Team, we would love to hear from you! almondsburyschoolpa@gmail.com



Christmas Jumpers, PJs and Wow clothes

If you have any good condition Christmas jumpers, onesies, PJs or outfits, please leave them in the blue box in reception. If you have any wow day clothes/ fancy dress, please consider donating these to the PA for resale too. We want to provide affordable options to parents, and encourage recycling. All items will be available on the PA website: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/almondsburypa>

PA Auction Ball (4 February) – tickets on sale until 30 November

Join us for a fun filled evening whilst raising funds for the school. Buy tickets here: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/almondsburypa>

If you or your business would like to support this event by donating or sponsoring a prize please get in contact with: Emma Tottle – emma.fitzgibbon@hotmail.co.uk

SCHOOL TOURS FOR NEW PARENTS 2023 INTAKE

We have the dates now confirmed for the school tours for new prospective parents for the intake in September 2023. It will be lovely to show new parents around and share all that is great about our school.

Tuesday 22 November 1.30pm

Tuesday 22 November 2.30pm

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 FOR 2022/23

TERM 2

Tuesday 15 November

Parents Evening – 4.00 – 7.20pm PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A FACE TO FACE MEETING

Friday 18 November

Children in Need Day – Wear Spots in school day
Swimming for Miss Ramli's class

Email address: office@almondsburyprimary.co.uk

Website: www.almondsburyprimary.co.uk

Tuesday 22 November New Reception Tour for September 2023 intake 1.30pm and 2.30pm

Friday 25 November Non uniform day for PA events donations
Swimming for Miss Ramli's class
Whole school cake sale for Young Voices Fundraising after school
Movie Night 'The Grinch' 6.00-8.00pm

Monday 28 November Year 5 and 6 visit to Imperial War Museum, London

Friday 2 December Reindeer run and Christmas fayre 2.30 – 4.30pm

Wednesday 7 December Year 1 and 2 Christmas performance 2.00pm

Thursday 8 December Reception classes nativity performance 2.00pm
Year 1 and 2 Christmas performance 6.00pm

Friday 9 December Reception and KS1 Christmas party pm

Tuesday 13 December Christmas lunch day

Wednesday 14 December Year 3 and 4 Christmas party pm
Year 5 and 6 Carols by Candlelight at St Mary's Church 7.00pm

Thursday 15 December Year 5 and 6 Christmas party pm

Friday 16 December End of Term 2

TERM 3

Tuesday 3 January INSET DAY – School closed to pupils

Wednesday 4 January Start of Term 3 for all pupils

Friday 6 January Mrs Williams's class swimming afternoon

Friday 13 January Mrs Williams's class swimming afternoon

Friday 20 January Mrs Williams's class swimming afternoon

Friday 27 January Mrs Williams's class swimming afternoon
PA Movie Night 6.00-8.00pm

Friday 3 February Mrs Williams's class swimming afternoon

Saturday 4 February PA Auction Ball from 7.00pm at Village Hotel, Patchway

Friday 10 February Mrs Williams's class swimming afternoon
PA Cake Sale and uniform sale after school
End of Term 3

TERM 4

Monday 20 January Start of term 4

Friday 24 February Mrs Williams's class swimming afternoon

Friday 3 March Mrs Williams's class swimming afternoon

Thursday 9 March Parents Evenings 4.00- 7.20pm

Friday 10 March Mrs Williams's class swimming afternoon

Tuesday 14 March Parents Evenings 4.00- 7.20pm

Friday 17 March Mrs Williams's class swimming afternoon

Friday 31 March PA Cake Sale and uniform sale after school
End of Term 4

Term dates for 2022/23

Term	Starts	Ends
Term 1	Thursday 1 September 2022	Friday 21 October 2022
Term 2	Monday 31 October 2022	Friday 16 December 2022
Term 3	Tuesday 3 January 2023	Friday 11 February 2023
Term 4	Monday 20 February 2023	Friday 31 March 2023
Term 5	Monday 17 April 2023	Friday 26 May 2023
Term 6	Monday 5 June 2023	Friday 21 July 2023
INSET DAYS confirmed for next academic year	Thursday 1 September 2022 Friday 2 September 2022 Monday 31 October 2022 Tuesday 3 January 2023 Friday 26 May 2023	