

23 January 2023

Dear Parents

## **SCHOOL YEAR 2022/2023 - NEWSLETTER NO 18**

### **CERTIFICATES**

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

Mr Dean	-	Samuel Atherton
Mrs Goode and Mrs Owen	-	Harry Tremlin
Miss Abraham (Miss Maynard)	-	India Bulley
Miss Ramli	-	Amar Voual
Mrs Williams and Mr Ramshaw	-	Joshua Agyemang
Mr Evens	-	Aarna Sanadhya
Mr Garcia	-	Annabelle Street
Mrs Leonard	-	Luca Trematore
Miss Hake	-	Isla Stewart
Mrs North and Ms Hill	-	Leonor Graca
Miss Wingett	-	George Garland



### **INDUSTRIAL ACTION**

As you will be aware industrial action is being taken by certain teaching unions. This is being taken for a number of reasons.

- The teaching profession is facing a severe recruitment crisis.
- The education sector has been underfunded for years and it is increasingly difficult to finance high quality education for all pupils.
- The recent pay award was below inflation, plus schools were not given money in their budgets to fund this pay award.

I have spoken to a number of governors on how the industrial action will impact on our school. Due to the planned industrial action, I have to inform you that parts of the school will be closed to pupils as a result of insufficient teaching staff. The parents of the classes that will not be in school on Wednesday 1 February will be emailed a letter by Wednesday this week. The following information is also important to you.

- The children who have EHCP's will be in school as their support will remain in place.
- Breakfast club will still run for those who remain in school as will after school provision as these are not effected by the industrial action.
- Remote learning will not be provided as there is insufficient teaching staff to provide this.
- There will not be provision for pupils whose parents are key workers.

Please note that each school has to make arrangements based on their individual circumstances and number of teachers taking industrial action. Those teaching staff who are not part of the NEU's industrial action and all support staff will remain in school to continue as normal.

Please be aware that this is the first date the planned industrial action that has been called. The following dates will also have the same impact unless otherwise stated should they go ahead. Unions need to provide 2 weeks' notice of any further industrial action.

- Thursday 2 March 2022 for all eligible members in the South West region.
- Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 March for all eligible members in England and Wales.

Any queries regarding this information should be directed to myself through the office email address. If you feel strongly about the industrial action being taken, we suggest that you contact your local MP.

## SEND

Send and You is a local charity ran organisation that supports children, young people and their parents with getting the help they need. They offer an impartial and confidential service whilst also enabling service users and professionals to work more closely together for better outcomes for those with SEND. [www.sendandyou.org.uk](http://www.sendandyou.org.uk)

We would love to see you at our SEND Coffee mornings, please pop along.  
6 February 2023 at 9.30am.



## 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.

**We can see those collection jars in each class growing daily and weekly. Thank you so much for your contributions so far.**

## PA NEWS

Please note that the PTA events APP is no longer supported by PTA events company. All purchases going forward will need to be made via the website via Safari for iPhones or Google for Android/computers & laptops. We apologise for any inconvenience caused, unfortunately this has been a choice by the developers and not a PA decision.

**Upcoming Event:** Movie Night 🎬🍿 Minions: The Rise of Gru (U)

Friday 27th January 6-8pm in the school hall. 1 ticket = per child which includes popcorn and a drink. Tickets are on sale and strictly close Thursday 26th January @ 23.55 hours. Tickets can only to be purchased from the PTA website link: <https://www.ptaevents.co.uk/almondsburypta>

## 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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P.D. Smith'.

**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
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## DATES FOR 2022/23

### TERM 3

Friday 27 January

Wednesday 1 February

Friday 3 February

Saturday 4 February

Monday 6 February

Mrs Williams's class swimming afternoon

PA Movie Night 6.00-8.00pm

Industrial Action effecting specific classes which will be closed

Mrs Williams's class swimming afternoon

PA Auction Ball from 7.00pm at Village Hotel, Patchway

SEND and You coffee morning 9.30am

Email address: [office@almondsburyprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@almondsburyprimary.co.uk)

Website: [www.almondsburyprimary.co.uk](http://www.almondsburyprimary.co.uk)

**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 February**

**Wednesday 22 February**

**Friday 24 February**

**Thursday 2 March**

**Friday 3 March**

**Thursday 9 March**

**Friday 10 March**

**Monday 13 March**

**Tuesday 14 March**

**Wednesday 15 March**

**Thursday 16 March**

**Friday 17 March**

**Friday 31 March**

**Start of term 4**

**Year 1 and 2 WOW day**

**Mrs Williams's class swimming afternoon**

**Industrial Action effecting specific classes which will be closed**

**Mrs Williams's class swimming afternoon**

**Parents Evenings 4.00- 7.20pm**

**Mrs Williams's class swimming afternoon**

**Year 5 and 6 visit to Cadbury World, Birmingham**

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**Comic Relief Day**

**Mrs Williams's class swimming afternoon**

**PA Cake Sale and uniform sale after school**

**End of Term 4**

**Term dates for 2022/23**

<b>Term</b>	<b>Starts</b>	<b>Ends</b>
<b>Term 1</b>	<b>Thursday 1 September 2022</b>	<b>Friday 21 October 2022</b>
<b>Term 2</b>	<b>Monday 31 October 2022</b>	<b>Friday 16 December 2022</b>
<b>Term 3</b>	<b>Tuesday 3 January 2023</b>	<b>Friday 10 February 2023</b>
<b>Term 4</b>	<b>Monday 20 February 2023</b>	<b>Friday 31 March 2023</b>
<b>Term 5</b>	<b>Monday 17 April 2023</b>	<b>Friday 26 May 2023</b>
<b>Term 6</b>	<b>Monday 5 June 2023</b>	<b>Friday 21 July 2023</b>
<b>INSET DAYS confirmed for this academic year</b>	<b>Friday 26 May 2023</b>	