

5 June 2023

Dear Parents

SCHOOL YEAR 2022/2023 - NEWSLETTER NO 33

LETTERS OF COMMENDATION

Well done to these children who received the Letters of Commendation for last term from their teachers. They were awarded for many different things including: positive attitudes to learning, being conscientious, behaviour and kindness.

Mr Dean	-	Oliver Mancey	Poppy l'Anson
Mrs Goode and Mrs Owen	-	Imogen Street	Eva Janiak
Miss Maynard	-	Harriet Day	Amos Reynolds
Miss Ramli	-	Lucas Ho	Jaiya Voual
Mrs Williams and Mr Ramshaw	-	Poppy Male	Danny Gaffori
Mr Evens	-	Finnley Garrett	Isabella Suggitt
Mr Garcia	-	Ronnie Young	Matthew Berry
Mrs Leonard	-	Fox Lloyd	Maisie Watson
Miss Hake	-	Ranice Wong	Arya Bohra
Mrs North and Ms Hill	-	Paul Vogiatzis	Lara Higham
Miss Wingett	-	Lily Taylor	Eloise Collard

SPORTS WEEK SPORTS DAY



The weather was just perfect for a day of sports and racing, with the sun making an appearance during the afternoon to provide the house Sun with the impetuous to be triumphant! Both morning and afternoon sessions were started by the relay of the sports day baton and the reading of the athlete's oath. It was fantastic to see the children running, jumping (in sacks) and balancing those eggs on their spoons as they went down the race tracks. Everyone

cheered and applauded their efforts. We do have some talented little athletes in the making I feel. The points were collected at the end of the morning with the following result – **Water** were the winning house with 150 points, followed by **Earth** with 130 points, **Sun** with 119 and **Air** with 97 points. Well done to everyone.



In the afternoon came the key stage 2 children who were super competitive and wanting to show off their own racing talents. Once again, everyone did their very best to win. However, as we know it is the participation that counts! After the races were concluded the winning house was **Sun** with 218 points, with **Earth** in second place with 160 points, next came **Air** with 145 points and finally **Water** with 135 points.



It was also so great to see so many parents able to join us especially for the parents' races. In fact, we had to have three egg and spoon races for the mums in key stage 1 there was so much interest. There was also hot competition in the teachers' races as well. Thank you for coming along to support your own children but also every one of the children.



TOUR D'ALMONDSBURY

The children had a brilliant morning participating in the Tour d'Almondsbury. I was a gloriously sunny day and the children showed lots of perseverance and endeavour to complete the event. We would appreciate it if you could hand over your sponsorship money into school this week so we can count how much we have raised. Thank you to Mr Evens and the Sports Council for organising the event so well.



SEND OPPORTUNITY WITH JIGSAW THORNBURY

Our Connect sessions were identified by parents and are set to improve the awareness, engagement and connections for parent's supporting their young person's physical, educational, or emotional wellbeing.

Connect aims to increase:

- the awareness and confidence of parents/carers on 6 topic areas: Sensory Awareness, School Anxiety and Avoidance (EBSA), Behaviour Regulation, Speech Language Communication, Recognising Emotions and Sleep.
- parent/carer connection and engagement; to know how to support their child, or seek additional guidance with confidence.

Our Connect series has been funded by South Gloucestershire Council and are FREE to attend. To book a place on an upcoming session, please follow the attached links:

[Connect: Sleep](#)



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. It is the final month so let's see how much more we can collect!

PA NEWS

Mad Hair Day

A Mad-Hair-Raising amount of £142.40 was collected. Thank you again to everyone who was able to join in.

Cake Sale

Again, a huge thank you for all the delicious donations. We raised £141.10!

Email address: office@almondsburyprimary.co.uk

Website: www.almondsburyprimary.co.uk

Friday 30 June - Non-School Uniform

In support of the School Fun Day, please bring in donations which can include boxed cakes, cupcakes, donuts, prizes for the raffle (if raffle donations can be provide by 12th June that would be helpful).

Saturday 1 July - School Fun Day

We are busy making plans for the Fun Day. In order for the event to run **we do need volunteers**. Please can you contact us at almondsburyschoolpa@gmail.com to put your name forward to help with either the setting up, to run one of the stalls and with packing up. If we can get enough volunteers this can be done on a rota basis so that you can enjoy the fun day yourself too. The more people that help the lighter the work. The event will run from 12:30-3:30 (with a disco from 2:30-3:30). Set up will be from 9am and the majority of the packing up afterwards can be done whilst the disco is running. We will also be putting up gazebos from 4:30pm on the Friday night. **We will be looking to borrow a number of gazebos for the event so if you are able to assist with this please contact us. We are also looking for sponsors for the event. Please contact us for further details.**

PA Vacancies:

Chair

Secretary

Treasurer

Management of Website/Facebook Page

Please get in touch (almondsburyschoolpa@gmail.com) if you would be interested in any of these roles from July 2023.

VACANCY FOR LUNCHBREAK SUPERVISOR AND BREAKFAST CLUB SUPERVISOR

We currently have a vacancy for a lunchbreak supervisor within school. This is to join the rest of the team in working over lunchtime to support the children in the hall and outside whilst at play each day. The hours are between 12.00noon– 1.30pm daily. This equates to 7.5 hours per week. We can be flexible if needs be with number of days.

We are also looking to expand our number of staff members at Breakfast Club to accommodate more children who are wishing to attend. The timings for the breakfast club post are 7.45am – 9.00am. This would be for Monday to Friday and 6.5 hours per week. You will be joining an existing team of 4 or 5 members on a regular daily basis.

If you would like more information and the salary for either post please contact Mrs Heaps in the office. If you know of someone, other than yourselves who read the newsletter, who may be looking for a part-time role please pass on the details.

VACANCY FOR ROAD CROSSING PATROL HERO

We are still looking for our very own School Road Crossing Patrol Hero. We are very keen for someone to join the Road Safety team to ensure that the children (and parents) remain safe on their way to and from school. If you are interested in helping out and doing your bit for our local community please see the details below.

Post Details:

Role: School Crossing Patrol - Almondsbury

Site Location: Sunday's Hill, Opposite Church

Times: 8.30am – 9.05am

3.20pm – 3.55pm

Hourly rate: £9ph

Full training and uniform is provided, we are happy to consider part time and/or job share for further details please contact myself, Martina Byrne-Obee 01454 863611.



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

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

Mr Paul D Smith

Executive Head Teacher

Email address: office@almondsburyprimary.co.uk

Website: www.almondsburyprimary.co.uk

DATES FOR 2022/23**TERM 6****Monday 5 June****Friday 9 June****Monday 5 to Friday 16 June****Monday 12 to Friday 23 June****Friday 16 June****Friday 23 June****Friday 30 June****Saturday 1 July****Friday 7 July****Wednesday 12 July****Thursday 13 July****Friday 14 July****Friday 21 July****Start of Term 6****Mr Evens's class swimming****Year 4 multiplication checks****Year 1 phonics checks****Mr Evens's class swimming****Mr Evens's class swimming****Non uniform day for the Summer Family Fun Day****Mr Evens's class swimming****PA Summer Family Fun Day from 12.30pm****Mr Evens's class swimming****Year 5 and 6 show 6.30pm****Year 5 and 6 show 6.30pm****Celebration Day and children's picnic****Leavers Service for Year 6 (more details to follow)****End of the school year****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 10 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 this academic year	Friday 26 May 2023	

DATES FOR 2023/24**Friday 1 September****Monday 4 September****Tuesday 5 September****Tuesday 5 & Wednesday 6****Thursday 7 September****Monday 11 September****Friday 15 September****Monday 18 September****Friday 22 September****INSET DAY School closed to pupils****INSET DAY School closed to pupils****School starts for Years 1 to 6****Reception class home visits****Reception children start part-time mornings or afternoons****Reception children in school all morning plus lunch****Year 4 class starts swimming****Year 6 residential to Paris, France****Year 6 return to school****Year 4 class swimming****Thursday 19 October****Last day of Term 1****Friday 20 October****INSET DAY School closed to pupils****Term dates for 2023/24**

Term	Starts	Ends
Term 1	Friday 1 September 2023	Friday 20 October 2023
Term 2	Monday 30 October 2023	Friday 15 December 2023
Term 3	Tuesday 2 January 2024	Friday 9 February 2024
Term 4	Monday 19 February 2024	Thursday 28 March 2024
Term 5	Monday 15 April 2024	Friday 24 May 2024
Term 6	Monday 3 June 2024	Tuesday 23 July 2024
INSET DAYS confirmed for the academic year	Friday 1 September 2023 Monday 4 September 2023 Friday 20 October 2023 Tuesday 2 January 2024 Friday 24 May 2024	

Email address: office@almondsburyprimary.co.ukWebsite: www.almondsburyprimary.co.uk

