

12 June 2023

Dear Parents

SCHOOL YEAR 2022/2023 - NEWSLETTER NO 34

CERTIFICATES

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

Mr Dean
Mrs Goode and Mrs Owen
Miss Maynard
Miss Ramli
Mrs Williams and Mr Ramshaw
Mr Evens
Mr Garcia
Mrs Leonard
Miss Hake
Mrs North and Ms Hill
Miss Wingett

- Poppy l'Anson Rishik Chilukuri
- Alessia Merlino
- Lexi-Leigh Dunn
- Marshall Haines-Woodhouse
- Harper Stewart
- Honor Lamb
- Maurice Wong
- Maisie Watson
- Edward Wilkosz
- River Martin
- Grace Tovey



WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK

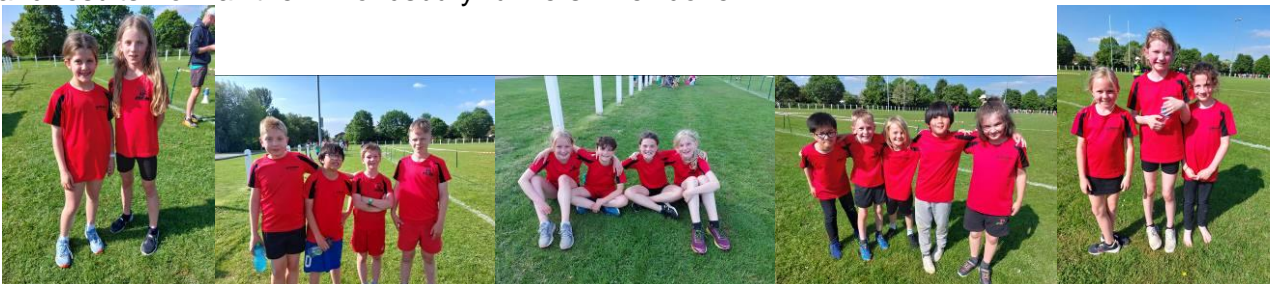


As part of Sports Week, we also held Walk to School week to encourage children to be active whilst also thinking about the environmental benefits of walking to school on a regular basis. Each class earned points depending on their mode of transport to get to school and it was great to see so many children walking, including

those who live far away parking and walking from the garden centre. We also saw children cycling/ scooting to school especially on Tour d'Almondsbury day which was great to see. After all the points were added up, the top two classes in Key Stage 1 were Mrs Leonard and Miss Hake's classes, in Key Stage 2, Miss Ramli and Mr Dean's classes topped the leaderboard and were all rewarded with a treat for their class. Well done to all the children who tried to be more eco-friendly and well done to the Eco Council members for helping run the week.

CROSS COUNTRY

The Year 4, 5 & 6 school cross country teams had a fantastic time at the Little Stoke Cross Country event on Thursday 25 May. The course was approximately 1000m and all our runners ran brilliantly. The Year 6 girls and boys teams both came 2nd overall. There were individual successes as well with Oliver 2nd in the Year 4 boys race, Poppy was 1st in the Year 4 girls race and Riley was 1st in the Year 5 boys race. Great team spirit and results from all the Almondsbury runners. Well done!



WEATHER ALERTS

We have been issued with hot weather alerts for the rest of the week. Please make sure that the children have **sunscreen** applied before coming to school, a **hat** for when they are outside plus their **water bottles**, which can be filled up in school. We will ask them to **remove ties** in school from tomorrow for the rest of the week.

JUSTICE HOME DISCUSSION SHEET

This term's theme for our Collective Worship is Justice. We have attached the home discussion sheet for you to read through and talk to your child/ren about the themes within it. As you know the theme runs throughout the term and we will also be looking at 'No Way Through Isn't True' within our Heartsmart PSHE programme and Rule of Law within our British Values. Below is our Bible reading linked to our Heartsmart theme for this term.

2 Chronicles 15:7



"Be strong. Don't give up, because you will get a reward for your good work."

E-SAFETY NEWSLETTER

Attached to the newsletter is this month's e-safety newsletter. This month highlights the platform Omegle which is a social chat website which has an age restriction of 18, JusTalk another video chat app, social influencers and online money options and support.

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

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 provided by 12th June that would be helpful).

Email address: office@almondsburyprimary.co.uk

Website: www.almondsburyprimary.co.uk

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

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Website: www.almondsburyprimary.co.uk

DATES FOR 2022/23**TERM 6**

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| Monday 12 June | Year 3 and 4 Raise the Roof singing festival |
| Monday 12 to Friday 16 June | Year 4 multiplication checks |
| Monday 12 to Friday 23 June | Year 1 phonics checks |
| Friday 16 June | Mr Evens's class swimming |
| Tuesday 20 June | Year 6 visit to Legoland |
| Friday 23 June | Mr Evens's class swimming |
| Wednesday 28 June | Year 1 and 2 visit to Westonbirt |
| Friday 30 June | Reception visit to Slimbridge Non uniform day for the Summer Family Fun Day Mr Evens's class swimming |
| Saturday 1 July | PA Summer Family Fun Day from 12.30pm |
| Monday 3 July | Year 3 and 4 visit to St Fagans |
| Friday 7 July | Mr Evens's class swimming |
| Wednesday 12 July | Year 5 and 6 show 6.30pm |
| Thursday 13 July | Year 5 and 6 show 6.30pm |
| Friday 14 July | Celebration Day and children's picnic |
| Friday 21 July | Leavers Service for Year 6 (more details to follow) End of the school year |

Term dates for 2022/23

| Term | Starts | Ends |
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| Term 6 | Monday 5 June 2023 | Friday 21 July 2023 |

DATES FOR 2023/24

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| Friday 1 September | INSET DAY School closed to pupils |
| Monday 4 September | INSET DAY School closed to pupils |
| Tuesday 5 September | School starts for Years 1 to 6 |
| Tuesday 5 & Wednesday 6 | Reception class home visits |
| Thursday 7 September | Reception children start part-time mornings or afternoons |
| Monday 11 September | Reception children in school all morning plus lunch |
| Friday 15 September | Year 4 class starts swimming |
| Monday 18 September | Year 6 residential to Paris, France |
| Friday 22 September | 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 |
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| 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 | |