

10 June 2024

Dear Parents

## SCHOOL YEAR 2023/2024 - NEWSLETTER NO 32

### CERTIFICATES

Well done to these children who received the certificates for last week from their teachers. The certificates are given for a variety of reasons from positive attitude, great work and learning, showing the three elements of Ready, Respectful and Safe.

Miss Ramli	-	Caitlin Davies
Mrs Goode and Mrs Owen	-	Edith Collett
Miss Whittingham	-	Alexandra Leung
Mrs Williams and Mr Ramshaw	-	Taylor Detheridge
Mr Dean and Mrs Lansdown	-	Isabella Tyson
Mr Evens	-	Jayda Agyemang
Mr Garcia	-	Marlow Bendall
Mrs Leonard	-	Kobe Hansen
Miss Hake	-	Riley Scott
Ms Hill and Mrs North	-	Akira Harris
Mrs Giles	-	Poppy-May Estcourt



### KWIK CRICKET TOURNAMENTS



On Tuesday 4 June, seven year 5 and 6 girls represented Almondsbury School in a Dynamos Cricket tournament at Frenchay Cricket Club. They played 3 games in the division and had 3 excellent games scoring within points of the other teams. Although, they didn't win, they made excellent progress throughout the tournament and thoroughly enjoyed the day. Player of the tournament was Eva Janiak for her positive and attitude and great teamwork, constantly motivating and cheering on her team. A great day with some excellent skills by all the girls.

On Wednesday 5 June, another seven year 5 and 6 boys, represented Almondsbury School in Dynamos cricket at Golden Hill Cricket Club. They showed some excellent batting and bowling skills and were cheering each other on and talking well throughout their games to create some great team work. In their division, they won their first two games but lost in the third. This meant they didn't go through to the semi finals. They had a great morning and played some great cricket. Player of the tournament was Ethan Jenkins for polite and respectful attitude within the matches and with the organisers and parents throughout the morning. A great day all round, well done!



### HOUSE POINTS

The children have been busy collecting House Points from a variety of people in school and for lots of reasons, good learning, behaviour, tidy uniform, having correct PE kit, etc. We have been totaling up the number of house points each week. The winning team last term was **WATER**. As their reward for collecting the most house points they are able to come into school on Friday in their own clothes. Well done to everyone in **WATER**. We will see how well we get on this term.

## BRIDGE FAMILY OF SCHOOLS YEAR 4 CROSS COUNTRY



On a wonderful sunny Friday before half term, ten of our Year 4 pupils took part in the first Bridge Family of Schools cross country. The event, thanks to Martin Harrex, was held at the North Bristol rugby ground.

Pupils from all six schools in the Bridge family competed and the event was a great success. The Almondsbury pupils showed great stamina, and endurance and all runners were well placed. We finished with runners from Almondsbury in

both second and third in the girls event and a third place finish in the boys event. Well done to all who took part and thank you to North Bristol Rugby Club for hosting.



## SERVICE HOME DISCUSSION SHEET

This term's theme for our Collective Worship is Service. 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 'Don't Hold on to what is Wrong' within our Heartsmart PSHE programme and 'Democracy' within our British Values. Below is our Bible reading linked to our Heartsmart theme for this term.

*Ephesians 4:32*

*"Be kind to one another, tender hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you."*



## E-SAFETY NEWSLETTER FOR JUNE

Attached to the newsletter is this month's e-safety newsletter. This month's newsletter focuses age restrictions and parents checking specific websites for the age recommendations and restrictions. Do you know what they are and how are parents checking what their children are accessing online. It also looks at the risks of children chatting online and do parents know who they are talking to as well as children being aware of the dangers.

## OPAL PLAY AWARDS

We are in the process of making our playtimes more exciting with the OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) scheme. We celebrate play in school in regular Play Assemblies, during which Play Awards are given out. They can be given for any number of different reasons, for instance:

Fair play, inventive play, creative play, being especially helpful, caring for someone else over playtime - to name but a few examples. On Tuesday 4 June Play Award Certificates were awarded to:

Oscar Blackburn and Finley Winchcombe-Pope  
VERY WELL DONE!

## SUMMER FAYRE

**Just a reminder that we have our annual PA Summer Fayre on Saturday 22 June. We will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 21 June in exchange for donations for the fayre including bric a brac, tombola prizes, etc. Thank you in advance for your support.**

## PINS PROJECT

We have exciting news to share with our school community. We have been chosen to take part in a project funded by NHS England in collaboration with the Department for Education, South Glos Council and South Glos Parent Carers. This initiative will bring an investment to the school to help us support all learners and help create an even more inclusive learning environment.

By sharing your views you will help us understand how we could better meet the needs of your child. Your feedback will then help shape a bespoke package of support for the school.

Please click on the following link to access the survey:

<https://forms.office.com/e/UHx1V4saYu>

If you have any questions or would like more information, please feel free to contact South Glos Parent Carers at

[pins.project@sglospc.org.uk](mailto:pins.project@sglospc.org.uk)

There is also an invitation to join a Parents Meeting on Monday

Share your views to help your school:

Increase inclusivity for Neurodiverse students

Support Mental Health and wellbeing

Support Learning and attendance

Improve the classroom environment

SGPC

Almondsbury Primary School  
2:30pm Monday 1st July

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

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

1 July at 2.30pm to speak with the South Glos Parents and Carers staff who are supporting the running of the project.

## FREE SCHOOL MEALS

In these difficult times we would like to remind you that your child may be eligible for Free School Meals. Please check out this link [www.southglos.gov.uk/schoolmeals](http://www.southglos.gov.uk/schoolmeals). This even applies to children in Reception and KS1 who are already entitled to Universal Free School Meals as this brings in additional funding to support your child.

## 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/>

## PA NEWS

**Reception Cake sale is this Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June after school!** This is the last cake sale of the rota, so please come and support Reception who have been waiting patiently all year to hold their sale and are super excited about it. Cash and cards accepted.

**Summer Fayre Saturday 22 June.** It's only 2 weeks away! To celebrate, this year is Olympic themed with sports activities and games being run alongside inflatables, disco, stalls, refreshments, BBQ and bar, a steel band, tombola, raffle and loads of other fun stuff. We would really appreciate any help you can give including lending & putting up gazebo's the day before, setting up on the morning, running a stall, volunteering to help run the sports activities, and anything else you can think of. **We cannot put on these events without your help so please help if you can**, we REALLY appreciate it. If you're unable to give your time then we are also looking for donations. Please drop into the yellow bins at the front of the school building, or pass to one of the PA team.

- Crayons, pens, colouring books, unwanted craft activities
- Disposable plates, cups, cutlery, napkins, straws, paper bags
- Nail varnishes
- Balloon pumps
- Plants for plant stall - please leave in reception or pass to a PA member
- If anyone has a gazebo to lend us for the day, please let us know at [almondsburyschoolpa@gmail.com](mailto:almondsburyschoolpa@gmail.com)

We have some amazing raffle prizes on offer including west country water park tickets, Air Hop passes, mini athletics classes, S4k Holiday camp, Brizfit classes, Thornbury Golf centre, Bluebell Bakery voucher, football merchandise, lots more and of course one of 11 super colour hampers. **Raffle tickets should be with you now, please return all completed counterfoils by Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June.** If you need more or didn't get your originals please speak to the office. **Please also remember to bring in your colour hamper donations by this Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June.**

Please email [almondsburyschoolpa@gmail.com](mailto:almondsburyschoolpa@gmail.com) if you can help at all.

On **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July** we will be holding our **QUIZ NIGHT** so start thinking about your team members and team names. Tickets will be on sale soon in advance from our website. This is a great chance to have a night off, so book those babysitters and get your thinking caps on.

## 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: £11ph

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.



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

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

Best wishes



Mr Paul D Smith  
Executive Head Teacher

#### **DATES FOR 2023/24**

##### **TERM 6**

Monday 3 – Friday 14 June

Monday 10 – Friday 14 June

Wednesday 12 and Thursday 13 June

Friday 14 June

Friday 21 June

Saturday 22 June

Friday 28 June

Friday 5 July

Friday 12 July

Wednesday 17 July

Thursday 18 July

Friday 19 July

Tuesday 23 July

Year 4 Multiplication check for all children

Year 1 phonics check for all children

Reception – National Child Measurement Programme

12.30pm Mr Even's class swimming

3.30pm Reception classes cake sale

12.30pm Mr Even's class swimming

PA Summer Fayre – Olympic themed

12.30pm Mr Even's class swimming

12.30pm Mr Even's class swimming

Celebration Day for all children – details to follow

Year 5 and 6 show

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Reports for be sent home

Leaver's Service at St Mary's (Year 6 parents only)

Last day of the school year

#### **Term dates for 2023/24**

<b>Term</b>	<b>Starts</b>	<b>Ends</b>
<b>Term 5</b>	<b>Monday 15 April 2024</b>	<b>Friday 24 May 2024</b>
<b>Term 6</b>	<b>Monday 3 June 2024</b>	<b>Tuesday 23 July 2024</b>
<b>INSET DAYS</b>	<b>Friday 24 May 2024</b>	

#### **Term dates for 2024/25**

<b>Term</b>	<b>Starts</b>	<b>Ends</b>
<b>Term 1</b>	<b>Monday 2 September 2024</b>	<b>Friday 25 October 2024</b>
<b>Term 2</b>	<b>Monday 4 November 2024</b>	<b>Friday 20 December 2024</b>
<b>Term 3</b>	<b>Monday 6 January 2025</b>	<b>Friday 14 February 2025</b>
<b>Term 4</b>	<b>Monday 24 February 2025</b>	<b>Friday 4 April 2025</b>
<b>Term 5</b>	<b>Tuesday 22 April 2025</b>	<b>Friday 23 May 2025</b>
<b>Term 6</b>	<b>Monday 2 June 2025</b>	<b>Tuesday 22 July 2025</b>
<b>INSET DAYS</b>	<b>Monday 2 September 2024</b> <b>Friday 25 October 2024</b> <b>Friday 23 May 2025</b> <b>Plus 2 other dates to be confirmed</b>	