

17 November 2025

Dear Parents

SCHOOL YEAR 2025/2026 - NEWSLETTER NO 11

CERTIFICATES

Well done to these children who received the certificates for last week from their teachers. These are presented on a Friday in worship where the class teacher shares the reasons for the certificates being awarded.

Miss Ramli	-	Charlotte Wing Li
Mrs Goode and Mrs Barrett	-	William Jarvis
Miss Whittingham	-	Reggie Lansdown
Mrs Lansdown	-	Jackson Doherty
Mr Evens	-	Luscious Kindong
Mrs Williams and Mr Dean	-	Maria Picu
Mr Garcia	-	Harriet Arnott
Mrs Leonard	-	Charlie Hazell
Miss Hake	-	Oliver Rybicki
Mrs North and Mrs Marshall	-	Hektor Reihe
Mrs Giles	-	Penelope Hunsley



CHILDREN IN NEED



The children came out in force to show their true celebrities for Children in Need. The children thoroughly enjoyed coming into school wearing their costumes relating to 'a celebrity they admire'. We had lots of footballers, cricketers, rugby players, rockstars, explorers and the only and only Elvis!



The children raised £220.60 for Children in Need. Thank you for your donations.





PARENTS ENGAGEMENT FORM

As part of our increasing engagement with parents I have created an online form to find out your views on what you would like to see in terms of parental workshops and sessions. There are a variety of options that are available for you to choose from. We will work through these in order of priority taken from the responses we receive. It will take just a minute or two to complete. Thank you for your time in advance.

[Parental Engagement – Fill in form](#)

NEW CATERING PROVIDER

We are very pleased to advise that we will have a new provider of our school meals from 24 November. Innovate, operated by Impact Food Group are an award winning catering provider, you can find out more information about them here <https://impactfood.co.uk/brands/innovate-ifg/>. Their Primary school offer has been developed to bring a memorable experience for our children. Quality food is the basis of their offer coupled with innovation that delivers fantastic dining experiences that will ensure our pupils truly enjoy their lunches and go back to lessons nourished, relaxed and ready to learn. The menus are nutritionally balanced and compliant with the revised food standards and allergen labelling regulations, special dietary needs are also considered and catered for. This will offer our children hot lunches that they are familiar with and therefore more likely to eat. If your child does have an allergen of any kind then please complete the form within the link [Almondsbury Pupil Allergen Form](#) . The new menus will be circulated as soon as they are available. Meal ordering and payments will continue to be made via Arbor.



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. 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.

PA NEWS

The PA are busy getting ready for our Winter Fayre on Friday 5 December! Please remember that colour hamper donations and a chocolate donation for the tombola are due by Friday 28 November. In exchange for a chocolate donation, children can enjoy a non-uniform day on Friday 28 November! The PA are also collecting Christmas clothes (sweaters, t-shirts, dresses, etc.) — please drop any items into the yellow bin by the office. We cannot wait to see everyone at the Winter Fayre for some festive fun! If you would like to help out, please speak to any PA member — volunteers are always welcome!

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>

Email address: office@almondsburyprimary.co.uk

Website: www.almondsburyprimary.co.uk

VACANCY

Would you like to join our exciting Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL) Team? As an OPAL school, we value our outdoor playtimes hugely. We have expanded our outdoor play areas and opportunities for our children and now have a vacancy available for a new Play Lead to join the team. 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. If you would like more information and the salary for this post, please contact the School Office. Please feel free to pass on the details to anyone who may be interested in this opportunity.

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



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

Best wishes



Mr Paul D Smith
Executive Head Teacher

DATES FOR 2025/26

TERM 2

Monday 17 November

Tuesday 18 November

Wednesday 19 November

Thursday 20 November

Monday 1 December

Thursday 4 December

Friday 5 December

Wednesday 10 December

Thursday 11 December

Friday 12 December

Tuesday 16 December

Wednesday 17 December

Thursday 18 December

Friday 19 December

Reception intake September 2026 tours 1.30pm and 2.30pm

Parents Evenings 4.00 – 7.00pm

Flu vaccinations for pupils

Year 5 and 6 Portals to the Past workshop

Parents Evenings 4.00 – 7.00pm (please note the change of date as a result of school closure on Thursday 13 November)

Mr Evens's class swimming and Mr Dean and Mrs Williams's class swimming every afternoon this week

Year 5 singing at The Mall with Bridge choir

PA Christmas Fair

Year 1 and 2 Christmas performance 6.00pm

Year 1 and 2 Christmas performance 9.30am

Reception Christmas performance 2.00pm

Reception and KS1 Christmas party

Christmas lunch followed by Entertainment afternoon for pupils

Year 3 and 4 Christmas party

Year 5 and 6 Carols by Candlelight at St Mary's Church

Year 5 and 6 Christmas party

End of Term 2

Term dates for 2025/26

Term	Starts	Ends
Term 1	Monday 1 September 2025	Friday 24 October 2025
Term 2	Monday 3 November 2025	Friday 19 December 2025
Term 3	Monday 5 January 2026	Friday 13 February 2026
Term 4	Monday 23 February 2026	Thursday 2 April 2026
Term 5	Monday 20 April 2026	Friday 22 May 2026
Term 6	Monday 1 June 2026	Tuesday 21 July 2026
INSET DAYS	Monday 1 September 2025 Friday 24 October 2025 Monday 23 February 2026 Friday 22 May 2026 Monday 1 June 2026	