



Newsletter 26th June 2017

ALINGTON & BERGH APTON Church of England VA Primary School

Dear Parents

Thank you to everyone who came and supported our annual BBQ/Hog Roast. A special thanks to MBC Catering for providing the hot food, it is a very generous offer which we appreciate very much indeed. It was another lovely evening and the school is so grateful for all the support from families and members of the community.

Thanks also to our Friends for working so hard with all the preparations, Governors and parents for giving up their time to help barbecue, serve drinks, clear up, parents who generously donated chocolates, toys, and items for the tombolas, children who ran stalls, and everyone who came and spent their money. Well over £2,000 was raised which will go to support extra-curricular music at the school for the coming year.

This completed a double weekend of fun as the previous weekend many of you were out and about at the Alington Weekend.

Earthwake – this year the children in Class 3 have very much enjoyed their outdoor learning sessions with Earthwake. As well as activities at school last term connected with life in Stone Age times, the children went to Hempnall on 15th June for a Wild West Day. The feedback was fantastic, the children and staff thoroughly enjoyed the day. Please look on our website for the photos as well as the ones outside Class 3.

Last week saw Class 1 enjoy a day at Banham Zoo and Class 2 a performance of Fantastic Mr Fox.

Sports Day - Tues 27th June is our annual Sports day. (Reserve day – 28th June)



Classes 1 and 2 will start in the morning at 10.00am, finishing at lunchtime. Classes 3 and 4 will start at 1.30pm.

Children to arrive at school in their PE kit with a top of their team's colour.

Please ensure that the children have sun cream and sun hats should the weather require it.

Friends will be selling ice creams straight after the afternoon event.

Thurs 29th June – A children's librarian will be in to talk to the children about the Summer Reading Challenge. It is really important that your child continues to read, enjoy books during the summer holidays. On our website are some suggestions for stories your child might enjoy.

Fri 30th June – Year 5 will be travelling to Hobart to take part in a Cluster Sports event

Dates

June

Tues 27th – Sports Day
KS1 10am, KS2 1.30pm
Wed 28th – Reserve Sports Day
Thurs 29th – NO Gym Club
Fri 30th – Year 5 Sports Day at Hobart

July

1.45pm Tues 5th KS2 performance
3pm Wed meeting for parents of children in C1 who will be moving into C2 in Sept.
6.30pm Wed 5 KS2 performance
Thurs 6th Hobart Intake Day followed by Intake Evening/Y6 Super Learning Day at Fram.
Fri 7th Fram. Intake Day
10th – 14th C4 residential trip
Mon 10th KS1 Dance Festival at Hobart
NO Tennis
Tues 11th NO Gym Club
Thurs 13th NO Gym Club
Mon 17th Y5 Languages Day at Hobart
17th -19th Hobart transition days
Wed 19th C1 and C2 Open afternoon and picnic
Fri 21st NO swimming
Break up for summer holiday!

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No Gym Club – Thurs 29th June, Tues 11th and Thurs 13th July – Rachel has been surprised with a holiday! You will be credited in next term's invoice.



Ye-ha!

KS2 will be presenting a musical based on the Wild West on the afternoon of 4th July at 1.45pm and the evening of 5th July at 6.30pm. Both performances are “sold out” and we do ask that no further people come along as we simply cannot squeeze another person in.

Please try not to bring along very young children as, through no fault of their own, they are likely to cause a distraction which is hard on the performers and their families. Thank you for your understanding in this matter. The performance is likely to last approximately. an hour.

Open Afternoons and a Class Picnic – Class 1 and Class 2. Parents are invited into school during the afternoon of Wed 19th July to look at pupils' work and chat to the staff. This will also be combined with a class picnic (more details to follow). It isn't intended to be a time for an in depth discussion on progress but a chance to see what the children have been doing this year. Books and displays/ activities will be in the classrooms.

There will also be a meeting for those children who will be working in Y1 in C2 next September straight after school at **3.00pm on Wed 5th July**. The intention is for parents to gain a better understanding of the type of expectations in a more formal classroom and to meet Miss Betts and Mrs Eland.

Trip to Brancaster – 10th – 14th July. Mr Stowers and I will be away with Class 4 during this time. In the event of an emergency we can be easily contacted by Mrs Reeman.

Please could the parents of the children coming on the trip make sure they have a copy of the “kit list” – these can be obtained from Mrs Reeman if you have lost your original one.

VACANCIES

Caretaking - the school is seeking a **caretaker** for 5 hours a week, plus possible additional hours for routine maintenance tasks. This could be extended to include 17.5 hours **cleaning** from January 2018. If you are interested, please speak to **Mrs Reeman**. This might interest someone who is recently retired, if you know of anyone who might be interested please could you draw their attention to this notice.

We are also looking for a “**handy-man**” who we could engage to do jobs such as putting up display boards, mending and repairing, including some possible small redecorations. For example the shelters need to be painted with protective creosote again this summer and we would like to find someone (or a group of volunteers?) who could do this for us. **Please contact the school office to discuss this further if you are interested**

Norse catering division are seeking a **Catering Assistant** at Alington to help serve lunch and clear away on Wednesdays and Fridays. 12.00–1.30pm. The school is still trying to recruit a **Midday Supervisor** for five hours per week. 12.15–1.15pm daily. For further details speak to Mrs Reeman.

Year 6 transition to Hobart and Framingham Earl

Thurs 6th July – Intake day at Hobart followed by Y6 intake evening and Framingham Earl High School Super Learning Day (for all Y6 not transferring to Hobart)

Fri 7th July – intake day at Fram

17th, 18th and 19th July – Y6 intake at Hobart

Sainsbury's Vouchers - We are now collecting these, there is a box in the corridor for your vouchers. Please support this as we have had a very good response in the past which has bought us playground equipment for the children to use.

Thank you to everyone who sent kind thoughts and sympathy to me following the death of my father. I will be away from school for a few days this week.

Teresa Osborne

Attached:

- Change4Life – Shake Up materials