



# Newsletter 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2021

## ALPINGTON & BERGH APTON Church of England VA Primary School

**Matthew 5 v 16**

Dear parents,

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Dear Parents

Last night was the inaugural Alpington Premier and Oscars night! Children arrived at school dressed to impress and trod the red carpet into the “cinema” where they were treated to snacks, “champagne” and the very first viewing of the film they made of “Mystery and Magpie Manor”.

Congratulations to our Oscar winners who were announced as follows:

- Most animated performance – Florence in Owls
- Most rehearsed line – “The Tradesmen”
- Best impromptu dance – Tyler in Swallows
- Most notable performances – Florence, Bertie, Annabel and Maurizio
- Most reluctant Granny – Gracie in Eagles
- Best Newcomer – Belle in Swallows
- Best double act – Sonny and Harry
- Best singing – Alpington Primary KS2 – you were all amazing!



You can watch the film by clicking here  
<https://web.microsoftstream.com/video/5d8ac6be-0640-47f6-86e9-2d14e7532d9e>

**Diary for July**

- Mon-Wed, 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> – Residential in school for years 5 and 6
- Tues 6<sup>th</sup> – Nelson’s Journey, Purple Picnic
- Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Cycling Course
- Fri 9<sup>th</sup> – bring a book for the book swap; class photograph to be ordered by today
- Mon 12<sup>th</sup> – Year 3 Earthwake activity day; Year 6 transition day; donations online and choose a book from the swap
- Tues 13<sup>th</sup> – Year 4 trip to Whitlingham
- Wed 14<sup>th</sup> – Year 1 trip to play cricket (details to follow)
- Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> – Sports Day
- Mon 19<sup>th</sup> – Reserve Sports Day
- Tues 20<sup>th</sup> – Summer Fair Fantastic, BBQ lunch
- 21<sup>st</sup> – 1.45pm Year 6 leavers’ assembly;
- Last day of term

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You will need your child's log in. You can reset the password by contacting the school office. This has to be done externally by our IT provider, so your patience is appreciated. There are lots of photographs on the curriculum pages of the website!

### Archery Competition Alpington V Thurton

On Tuesday morning we took part in an Archery competition with Thurton Primary online via Teams.

Both schools had been practising and had held class competitions in advance. The finalists from each year group lined up at 9.30 to take part in the interschool contest.

*“During archery we had a couple of practice goes before we did it for real. We each had 3 arrows. On the first proper round Henry got an amazing 30 points (3 bulls eyes). Rosie had a tie of 28 points. On Henry's second go he got 28 points and won for the year 5 boys!*

*On Rosie's second go she lost by 1 point. Rosie got 28 points on the next round and won..... but the girls were still tied. Finally, after an exciting final, Rosie won for the year 5 girls.*

*We really enjoyed playing against Thurton. They were a really good team and we hope we can play against them again”*

Rosie F and Henry G  
Year 5



### Sports day

Weather permitting, sports day will take place on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July. Events for children in **KS2 will be held in the morning** from 9.30am and **KS1 in the afternoon** from 1.15pm. The reserve date will be Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July with times remaining the same.

To comply with COVID restrictions required by the government and the Local Authority risk assessment, please could we ask the following.

- Your child will bring home a ticket – one per family. We will send these home the day before. Please bring this with you, with your contact details on the back for Test and Trace. This will be collected from you on arrival.
- Please bring your own rug or chair.
- Please sit within the allocated area on the field for your class and maintain a sensible social distance from other parents.
- If you are able to do a lateral flow test on that day, please do. Tests are free and available either by post or from local testing centres.

Thank you for understanding. It should be a fun day for all!

### **Book swap for Cancer Research**

We have decided to organise a book swap to raise money for Cancer Research. We are doing this because multiple children in our school are being affected by cancer at the moment. We felt like we wanted to take action to help other children in the same situation.

***On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July, bring a book (or more than one if you like) that you have finished reading. On Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July, make a donation online and come and choose a new book from the collection that you haven't read before.***

All the money we raise will go to Cancer Research. We are planning a series of events in the future to keep raising money for this very important cause.

Leah, Rosie, Tillie and Cleo



### **Guitar lessons**

From September, Mr Ian Cooper, who is employed by Norfolk County Council, Music Service, has spaces for KS2 children to attend guitar lessons on a Friday. If your child is interested please let Mrs Reeman know so she can arrange a taster session.



A HUGE thank you to everyone for all your donations last Friday for the chocolate tombola for the children's fete and luxury items for the hamper. You have all been so generous.

Please see attached for details of prizes for the summer raffle, we are hoping to be able to send home raffle tickets on Monday.

We are all looking forward to the children's fayre on the 20<sup>th</sup> July!

### **Transition**

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July will be year 6 transition day. Parents have been emailed separately about arrangements for each school.

On the morning of Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July all other year groups will be spending time with their new class teachers.

Teachers will be meeting over the coming weeks to talk through the children in each class, including those with SEND, to ensure that key information about wellbeing and learning is passed on appropriately.

The children's end of year reports will be sent out by Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July. The format has been revised this year to reflect the way our curriculum is structured. We have also made allowances for the different experiences that the children had in the spring term when the majority had to learn at home. All this will be explained in a letter which will accompany your child's report.

### **Safeguarding**

Over the last week it has been brought to my attention that children are talking about films or online content that they have seen or heard about that is inappropriate for their age and stage of development. We have also spoken to children who are repeating or singing explicit lyrics to songs and raps that they have been listening to via online streaming services. They have clearly listened often enough to have a reasonable grasp of the lyrical content!

We all want our children to be tolerant and respectful towards each other and to take that respect out into the wider community. There is no place at our school for language that disrespects others for any reason, but particularly not on the basis of gender, sexuality or race. The habits and attitudes around online content and respect for others that our children take into high school will be formed while they are here with us at Alington.

I am aware that all families will have different opinions about what is and is not appropriate for children to watch and listen to. However, it is important that we avoid a culture amongst the children where they come under pressure from their peers to watch, listen to or repeat content that is not age appropriate or causes offence or upset to others. If you could have a conversation about this at home that would be really helpful. Please remind the children that they should always tell an adult if they see or hear something that upsets them, either online or from a peer. They will never be in trouble for doing this! This is the message that we are sending loud and clear in school.

To support the work we are doing in school, please could we ask that parents check the parental controls in place on video streaming services, phones and laptops so that they are able to monitor effectively what the children are watching. Spotify has easy to use parental controls which enable parents to prevent children clicking on and listening to songs with explicit lyrics or content.

### **The year 6 leavers' assembly**

This will take place on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July at 1.45pm. The assembly will be outside, around the steps of the hall. 2 adults for each child will be welcome to attend - please bring your own seating! The rest of the school will also attend, seated in their class bubbles. Following the assembly there will be a chance to view the traditional photographs slideshow in the hall and we will also make this available on stream for you to view at home. At 2.45pm the whole school will meet on the playground, again in class bubbles, to wave off the year 6 children. Collection times for the rest of the school are unaffected.

### **Payments**

Please can you ensure all payments for lunches, breakfast clubs, after school clubs etc. are all paid up until the end of term, including the last 3 days of term, by 9am Fri 16<sup>th</sup> July. If you are unsure how much is outstanding/in credit please email Mrs Reeman, [office@alington.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:office@alington.norfolk.sch.uk) so she can let you know. Any credit left at the end of term will be rolled forward into the new term.

Payments need to be made to:  
NCC Alington and Bergh Apton CE VA Pri.  
Sort Code 20-62-61  
Account No. 70668451

Please use your child's surname, followed by brief description e.g. SURNAME-LUNCHES

### **School Meals**

In our last newsletter we invited all the children to join in Nelson's Journey, Purple Picnic on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July, which our catering provider, Norse, are supporting. Thank you to those who have signed-up for the picnic. The "form" is now closed and for those who have not ordered, your child will need to bring their own picnic to school.

Reminder ... as advised in our previous newsletter, Norse are providing a BBQ lunch for our Summer Fair for the children on Tues 20<sup>th</sup> July. Please click here to order the BBQ lunch by Monday 5<sup>th</sup>. Again there will be no other option available.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=RuMqe7wmsUyiYDzx7S5seJ3QbVrqAvhJtRG9iEqYkX1UNlpEN1JQQzFZMjFYQkhBNDVQUjBIRkU1Sy4u>

Last day of term, Wed 21<sup>st</sup>, lunch will be Friday's menu, i.e. fish fingers or cheese and tomato quiche with chips, peas or baked beans and fruit jelly.

### **Class Photographs**

Deena has informed us class photographs will be available this evening. Your child should have taken home a slip of paper with an access code to view and order photographs. Once you've viewed the photographs please place your order by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July. Thank you.

Best wishes

Rosie Welch and the Alington Team

### **Attachment:**

- Summer Raffle Prizes
- ProCoach Summer Camp
- Summer Art Camps