

Alverstone Infant School



October 2022

Belonging, Respect, Responsibility

Dear Parents/Carers

Parking - a gentle reminder

- Please do not park on the Zig zags.
- Be mindful of local residents when parking near school.
- Take care when turning on the corner of Paget Road as this is often a pinch point with families crossing the road.

PLEASE HELP TO KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to read with the children. We appreciate you giving up your time to support the children and hope you will enjoy spending time in school.



Communication

We are keen to improve how we communicate with you. A questionnaire to gauge your thoughts about Communication will be coming out before half term. We would really appreciate your honest feedback as we strive to make this as good as it can be.



Welcome!

We are happy to introduce Miss Ciera Murphy as our new Admin Officer. Please pop in and say hello!

Attendance Update

Thank you for your feedback about our Attendance Awards. As we move towards the end of half term, we will be recognising attendance awards as the following:

- "Excellent Attendance" - 100%
- "Great Attendance" - over 95%

If absence is authorised i.e. medical absence (sickness or illness), this will not be count against the child receiving an award (certificate). These certificates will be given out in class time rather than whole school assembly.



As part of our drive to broaden horizons, we would welcome any visits to school if you have a profession or talent (i.e. playing a musical instrument) that you would like to share. As we aim to celebrate a variety of cultures, we would love parents to talk to children about their faith and traditions.

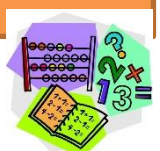


Maths learn alongside session - Monday 17th October 9-10am KS1, Tuesday 18th October 9-10am KS1.

Please come along to our "learn alongside" session and find out support your child at home with maths. There are 2 sessions available, please attend the session that is most convenient.



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Uniform

Just a reminder that children should be in uniform every day apart from on their PE days. This includes black school shoes.

Reminder : Year R Phonics sessions

This week we welcome Year R parents to come and watch a phonics lesson. Please arrive via the main entrance for 9.00.

Bumblebees: Tuesday 4th October

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Rock Steady!

This Thursday, 6th October, Rock Steady will be in school for an assembly and workshops for children. Children will bring home a leaflet. You can sign your child up for lessons directly if this is of interest.



Over the coming weeks we will be recognising **Black History Month** in school, in our assemblies and in classes. Celebrating diversity is one of our school key aims and underpinned by our value, **Respect.**



WANTED!

On Friday 7th October we have a skip arriving so that we can remove the stage outside of Year 2. We would be grateful for a handful of volunteers who would be willing to stay after school and help us to remove this and get it into the skip. Thank you in advance.



We are keen to make improvements to our school grounds, in order to enhance this provision for children. If you would like to volunteer to help us with either gardening, or painting outdoor structures, please let us know.

We would really appreciate the support.



Christmas Performances

These will take place over 3 days: Tuesday 13th, Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th of December.  Further details to follow.

Dates for your diary 2022/2023

INSET Day

10th October 2022

Autumn Half term

24th October to 28th October 2022

School Picture Day

14th November

Theme Week

Week commencing 14th November

Flu Immunisation

17th November

Children in Need

Friday 18th November

Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 9th December

Christmas Performances - see further information

Christmas Holidays

19th December to 2nd January 2023

SPRING TERM

INSET Day

10th February 2023

Spring Half-term

13th to 17th February 2023

Easter Holidays

3rd to 14th April 2023

SUMMER TERM

May Day Bank Holiday

1st May 2023

INSET Day

4th May 2023

Summer Half-Term Holiday

29th May to 2nd June 2023

INSET DAY

5th June 2023

Summer Holidays

24th July to 31st August 2023