



The Alton School Newsletter

Friday 1st March 2019

Dear Parents, Carers, Friends and Colleagues,

Welcome back after our half term break. I hope you all had a restful and peaceful time and return full of energy, ready to learn.

Rights Respecting School

This week we focused on Article 13: You have the right to give your opinion and to have it taken seriously. The pupils learnt that with this right comes the responsibility to use respectful language and be mindful of other people's feelings.

Next week we shall focus on Article 29: Your education should help you use and develop your talents and abilities. It should also help you learn to live peacefully, protect the environment and respect other people.

Our Excellent Learner quality was: Don't give up.

Next week our Excellent Learner quality will be: Are creative.

Please support us by using the language of Excellent Learners as well as rights and responsibilities with your children, asking them what they have been learning about.

Open Lessons

During the next two weeks we shall have our spring term Open Lessons. You are invited to come to school and share the lesson with your child to see how and what we teach. You are then welcome to stay for a cup of tea and a talk with your child's teacher about how to support

your child's learning at home.

The dates are:

Y6 is on Monday 4th March at 8.50am

Y4 is on Tuesday 5th March at 8.50am

Y5 is on Wednesday 6th March at 8.50am

Y1 is on Friday 8th March at 8.50am

Y3 is on Monday 11th March at 8.50am

Y2 is on Tuesday 12th March at 8.50am

Nursery is on Wednesday 13th March at 8.50am

Reception is on Thursday 14th March at 8.50am

Please come and watch your children learn, they love having you in school. We will be teaching spelling and phonics this term.

Volunteers

We are very lucky to have some parents who support us by volunteering in school and we thank them very much. If you would like to offer your support too, please come and speak to Mrs. Gibbs in the office, or let Mrs. Thomson or me know. We are a very welcoming place to be in!

Place to Play!

Every Friday, from 3.15 to 5pm, you are all invited to stay in school and play with your children with a trained play specialist. This is very popular and a great chance to have some quality time with your child. Please come along

and see how it works. Sessions are free and great fun!

This week at The Alton

On Tuesday, it was Parents' Evening. Thank you to all of you who came, it was very well attended. If you haven't yet seen your child's teacher, please speak to them at the end of the day and make an appointment for next week.

Today, we had a cake sale at the end of the day. Thank you for your support and thanks to The Friends of The Alton who organised it.

Next Week at The Alton

We are having our Open Lessons all week, please check which day your child's lesson is on.

On Thursday it is World Book Day. We are inviting everyone to come as a character in the book they are reading at the moment. These are the books:

Nursery: Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins

Reception: The Naughty Bus by Jan Oke

Y1: The Piano Girl by Ann Ingalls

Y2: The Bear and the Piano by David Litchfield

Y3: The Iron Man by Ted Hughes

RB1: Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins

RB2: Greek Mythology, a collection

RB3: The Sound Collector by Roger McGough

Y4: The Stone Mouse by Jenny Nimmo

Y5: The Lady of Shalott by Alfred Tennyson

Y6: Macbeth by William Shakespeare

Please talk to your child's teacher if you need any costume ideas.

On Friday, Y2 will be holding their Assembly at 2.50pm. Everyone is welcome.

Parent and Carer suggestions

We have an area in the front of the school office for you to leave a suggestion or question. You can call us on 020 8876 8482, email admin@thealton.wandsworth.sch.uk or download a suggestion form from our website. These will also be addressed in our newsletters if it is helpful to many parents.

A parent asked about whether we would be running Easter School for Y6 again this year.

This year we are happy to run this for Y6 free of charge again. It will run from Monday 15th April to Thursday 18th April from 9am to 1pm each day.

With best wishes,

Ruth Hudson

Headteacher

Dates for your diary

4 th Mar	Open Lessons week 8.50am Y6 Open Lesson
5 th Mar	8.50am Y4 Open Lesson 9.30am Early Years Open Morning
6 th Mar	8.50am Y5 Open Lesson
7 th Mar	World Book Day
8 th Mar	8.50am Y1 Open Lesson 2.50pm Y2 Class Assembly
11 th Mar	8.50am Y3 Open Lesson
12 th Mar	8.50am Y2 Open Lesson
12 th Mar	RB2 Trip British Museum
13 th Mar	8.50am Nursery Open Lesson
14 th Mar	8.50am Reception Open Lesson
15 th Mar	Comic Relief Day
21 st Mar	Y4 & Y5 trip to Battersea Power Station
22 nd Mar	2.50pm Y1 Class Assembly
26 th Mar	Y2 trip National Portrait Gallery
26 th Mar	RB2 trip Young Vic Theatre
27 th Mar	Book Fair for one week
29 th Mar	2.50pm EYrs Class Assembly
1 st April	Y5 PGL trip to the Isle of Wight
5 th April	3.15pm School closes for Easter Y5 return from the Isle of Wight

8th April to 22nd April School is closed to pupils – Easter Holidays

15th to 18th April Easter School for Y6

23 rd Apr	7.45am Breakfast club. 8.30am Classes open
25 th Apr	2.30pm 100% Attendance Assembly
3 rd May	2.50pm Y5 Class Assembly
6 th May	School closed for Bank Holiday
7 th May	9.30am Early Years Open Morning
10 th May	2.50pm Y4 Class Assembly
17 th May	2.50pm Y3 Class Assembly
24 th May	3.15pm School closes for half term

27th May to 31st May School is closed to pupils – half term holiday

3 rd June	School closed to pupils but open for staff training and buying uniform. (INSET)
4 th June	7.45am Breakfast club. 8.30am classes open. 9.30am Early Years Open Morning
6 th June	2.30pm 100% Attendance Assembly
14 th June	2.50pm Y2 Class Assembly
21 st June	2.50pm Y1 Class Assembly
28 th June	2.50pm EYrs Class Assembly
2 nd July	9.30am Early Years Open Morning
18 th July	2.30pm 100% Attendance Assembly
19 th July	12pm School closes for the summer.