



The Alton School Newsletter

20th October
2017

Dear Parents, Carers, Friends and Colleagues,

Half Term

Next week is half term and school is closed to pupils. School starts again on Monday 30th October.

I hope you all have a very peaceful break and look forward to seeing you in a week's time.

Beginning of the day after half term

I want to clarify our new starting time after half term as some parents have been asking some very good questions. **We are going to open the classroom doors at 8.45am every day** so you are welcome to bring your children into school at that time. I shall still **ring the bell at 9am, but that is when the classroom doors and the gate by the classrooms will close.** Anyone arriving after 9am will be late and have to go through the office to come into school.

This change is to give the pupils a calmer start to their day so rather than thirty pupils rushing through the door all at once, they can enter as they arrive. The teachers will be in the classrooms and your children will have activities organised by the staff for them to complete.

Children who attend Breakfast Club will be taken to their classrooms as normal but it will be at 8.45am.

Achievement Assembly

On Monday, in our Achievement Assembly, the following students were awarded their certificates:

Big Writers: Ajwa(R); Momtaz(Y1); Yasmin(Y2); Khalid(Y3); Tamika(RB); Wamda(Y4); Hashmatullah(Y5) and Tamoor(Y6).

Excellent Learners: Abdurahman(R); Abdallah(Y1); Arslan(Y2); Ethyldra(Y3); Celine(RB); Safa(Y4); Jay(Y5) and Adnyas(Y6).

Reader of the Week: Lina(Y4)

This week at The Alton

On Tuesday, Reception went to The National History Museum and learnt all about dinosaurs!

Today, we held our Sports Award ceremony for the Basketball tournament that everyone took part in.

The Friends of The Alton also held a Bake Sale today to raise money for some new books for our library. Thank you for supporting them.

Parent suggestion or question

Parents make many helpful suggestions and ask very good questions so I would like to use the newsletter to take one of these and answer it each week. There is an email address for you to send them to me. Please email: gill.adams@thealton.wandsworth.sch.uk

There is also a suggestion box by the school office. I am sure your suggestions and questions will be useful to other parents as well.

With best wishes,

Ruth Hudson

Headteacher

Dates for your diary

20th Oct 3.30pm School closes for half term.

3.30pm Friends of The Alton Bake Sale

23rd to 27th October school is closed to pupils

30th Oct 8am Breakfast club. **8.45am Class doors open – this will be happening every day.**

3pm 100% Attendance Assembly

3rd Nov 3pm Y2 Assembly

10th Nov 3pm Y1 Assembly

17th Nov 3pm EYrs Assembly

12th Dec 2pm School Christmas Play

20th Dec 3.30pm School closes for Christmas

21st December 2017 to 2nd January 2018 School is closed to pupils

2nd Jan School closed to pupils but open for staff training and buying uniform. (INSET)

3rd Jan 8am Breakfast club. 8.45am Class doors open.

12th Jan 3pm Y6 Class Assembly

19th Jan 3pm Y5 Class Assembly

26th Jan 3pm Y4 Class Assembly

2nd Feb 3pm Y3 Class Assembly

9th Feb 3.30pm School closes for half term

12th to 16th February School closed to pupils

19th Feb 8am Breakfast club. 8.45am class doors open.

23rd Feb 3pm Y2 Class Assembly

2nd Mar 3pm Y1 Class Assembly

9th Mar 3pm EYrs Class Assembly

29th Mar 3.30pm School closes for Easter

30th March to 17th April School is closed to pupils

16th Apr School closed to pupils but open for staff training and buying uniform. (INSET)

17th Apr 8am Breakfast club. 8.45am class doors open.

7th May School closed for Bank Holiday

25th May 3.30pm School closes for half term

28th May to 4th June School is closed to pupils

4th June School closed to pupils but open for staff training and buying uniform. (INSET)

5th June 8am Breakfast club. 8.45am class doors open.

20th July 12.15pm School closes for the summer holidays