



The Alton News

Winter Fair

THANK YOU very much for supporting the Winter Fair it was such a happy, festive occasion! It was lovely to see everyone enjoying themselves. We raised over £900 which will go straight towards giving your children richer and wider opportunities for learning, and resources.



Winter Performances

Resource Base, Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 performed a Snowflake Dance and 'Christmas Recipe' this week, the acting and singing was brilliant! The KS2 Singing Concert was amazing too, the children were in great voice and worked hard to learn the songs. Well done to all the children and staff involved.





Christmas Holiday

Children return to school on Tuesday 9th January. Please make sure your child is on time for school and <u>in class</u> at 8.45am for the register and first lesson. Punctuality is very important, it ensures your child is ready to learn and do their best each day.

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29	30	31				

Sport and Health Academy Holiday Camp at The Alton School

The Holiday Camp run by Sport and Health Academy is action-packed with sports specialist coaches to ensure your child is safe and having lots of fun! The camp consists of a variety of games and sports, arts and crafts, food making, competitions and free play including daily prizes, medals and certificates.

Dates: Monday 2nd January - Friday 5th January 9am-5pm. Book online:

sportandhealthacademy.com

FREE places for children on free school meals.

Year 6 Trip

Year 6 visited the Imperial War Museum last week learning about World War 2. Ask them about what they experienced and how they felt about it.







Local Events and Diary Dates

Staying Safe

Pedestrian Crossing Safety



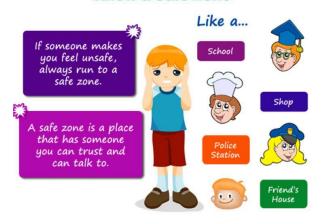
Internet Safety



When Playing Outside



Know a Safe Zone



Take Care of Each Other











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Changes to the Admissions Policy

The Quality First Education (Q1E) Trust welcomes any views on proposed changes to the admission arrangements for **The Alton School** for 2025-26.

The Trust is proposing the following change to the admission arrangements:

To amend the current admission criterion giving priority, regardless of the distance they live from the school, to children who have a sibling at the school at the date of admission.

Sibling priority is currently restricted to those families living within 800 metres of the school or where the family live over this distance but have moved since the last sibling was offered a place.

We feel that it is paramount that children from the same family are able to attend the same school where at all possible.

Here is a link to the full document:

https://thealton-q1e.org.uk/admissions/

To respond, please send written comments by email to Charlotte Meade, Director of Operations, at charlotte.meade@q1e.org.uk or by post to Charlotte Meade, Director of Operations, Quality First Education Trust, c/o Belleville Primary School, Meteor Street, London SW11 5NZ

Your response should be sent by **31 JANUARY 2024** when this consultation will close.







Winter Mini Challenge

Challenge start date: 1 December 2023 Challenge end date: 19 February 2024

The Winter Mini Challenge is a free online reading challenge that tackles the holiday reading 'dip', encouraging children to keep up good habits or discover the joy of reading.

It's easy to join in! Head to wintermini.org.uk from the 1 December to sign up, find fun activities, and earn rewards for reading.

Read three books or more of your choice to unlock a limited-edition online badge and a special Winter Mini Challenge certificate to print off and keep.

Please do tag us in your social media posts so we can see all the amazing stories and activities you are sharing!

#WMC2023 #ReadySetRead!



INSPIRING ACTIVE READERS







Thursday 21	Last Day of Autumn		
December	Term		
22 December	Christmas Holiday		
to 5 January			
8 January	School closed for Inset		
	Training		
9 January	First Day of Spring		
	Term. School open for		
	children		
18 January	Y3 British Museum		
	Trip		
19 January	Y4 Class Assembly		
	2.50pm		
2 February	Y3 Class Assembly		
	2.50pm		
12 to 16	Half Term Holiday		
February	School closed		
23 February	Y2 Class Assembly		
	2.50pm		
8 March	Y1 Class Assembly		
	2.50pm		
22 March	Y6 Class Assembly		
	2.50pm		
28 March	Last Day of Spring		
	Term		
1 to 12 April	Easter Holiday. School		
	closed		
15 April	School closed for Inset		
	Training		
16 April	First Day of Summer		
	Term		
6 May	Bank Holiday. School		
	closed		
27 to 31 May	Half Term holiday.		
	School closed		
3 June	School opens for		
	children		

Poppy Appeal

Thank you very much for helping with the Poppy appeal. You donated a total of £107 which goes to the Royal British Legion. They provide lifelong support to serving and ex-serving personnel and their families.







Well Done Everyone!





