



Great Alne News

Friday 11th November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week, covering all manner of weather conditions! It certainly feels Autumnal now. The layers are going on and it is nearly time to dig out the hats, scarves and gloves. It does seem strange that this time next week, we will be waiting for a World Cup to start!

Remembrance Day

At 11 o'clock on the 11th day of the 11th month, we remember those people who have given their lives for the peace and freedom that we enjoy today. Today, we come together to silently reflect on the sacrifices made by our brave service men and women.

This year Remembrance Sunday falls on November 13th. As well as the parade up to the Cenotaph in London, there are parades up and down the country led by representatives of the Armed Forces, Politicians, Scouts, Guides and many other groups. If you know anyone participating or if you are taking part yourself, we would love to hear all about it.

Odd Sock Day

On Monday 14th November we will be supporting 'Ant Bullying Week' by taking part in 'Odd Socks Day'. The children are not expected to bring in a donation, if they would like to support the event, they can do so by wearing odd socks.

Here is a link to the music video by 'Andy and the Odd Socks' to promote the day.

<https://youtu.be/NNR2eyOzLKw>

Give and Take

On Saturday 26th November, there is an exciting event taking place at the Baptist Church in Alcester. It's basically a toy swap, with the aim of helping to recycle and give people a chance to pick up 'new' items for their children. It's all completely free. See the attached flyer for more details.

Christmas Performances

We are excited to confirm the dates for our Christmas performances that you will be invited to attend:

Reception and KS1 Nativity Rehearsal- 2.30pm Monday 5th December

Reception and KS1 Nativity Performance- 2.30pm Wednesday 7th December

KS2 "Carols around the tree" Performance- 6.00pm Tuesday 13th December

Safeguarding

Please see the parents guide attached to this newsletter regarding support and advice around 'Online Safety' at home. It is very important that we all work together to ensure we keep children safe when online as well as off it.

Anti-Bullying Week

Please see attached some further information about Anti-Bullying Week and the workshops the children will be taking part in.

ParentPay Reminder

Thank you to all of you that have set up ParentPay and are actively using the system. Please can we encourage people to be paying for trips and meals in advance. If you are having any issues with this please speak to Mrs Goode in confidence.

School Uniform

Can I remind all parents about the expectations of school uniform and PE kit. If you have any difficulties with providing your child with the correct school uniform please let me know and I will see if we can help. Please ensure all uniform is clearly labelled, we are still finding unnamed lost property. It is much cheaper to label uniform than having to purchase a new set!

Children in Need

Children in Need is on Friday 18th November and all children are invited to wear Spots and stripes or anything that makes them happy into school on this day.

At the end of the school day in the library we will be having a cake sale! We will be grateful for any donations of cakes (shop bought or homemade- get your children involved!)

Please bring any donations to school on Thursday pick up or Friday drop off. Everything will be sold in multiples of 50p or £1's, we look forward to seeing you!

As KS2 have P.E on a Friday please be mindful of your non-school uniform attire.

And finally

I hope you all have a relaxing weekend, I am off to spend it with my brother and his family, as well as my parents. Not sure how relaxing it will be, but it will be nice to see everyone! The weather looks pretty favourable across Saturday and Sunday so try and get outside if you can.

Regards,

Mr J Wright

Important dates for the diary

On going
Key Stage 2 swimming every Tuesday (see exception date below.) P.E Reception, Class 1/2 every Tuesday and Thursday P.E Key stage 2 every Tuesday and Friday Multisport club every Tuesday 3.15pm-4.15pm Choir club every Wednesday 3.15pm-4pm KS2 Football club every Friday 3.15pm-4.15pm
Upcoming Events
04.11.22- Reception Forest School Visit
09.11.22- Tempest School Photos- Individuals and siblings
17.11.22- Forest School KS1
29.11.22 - Parents Evening
01.12.22 - Parents Evening
7.12.22 - KS1 Play
8.12.22 - Choir at the Huff Cap
13.12.22 - KS2 Carols 'Round the Tree'
14.12.22- "Ali Baba" Pantomime in School
14.12.22- School Christmas Lunch
15.12.22 - Christmas Party Day
15.12.22 - Christmas Carols @ Great Alne Park
16.12.22 - LAST DAY OF TERM
19.12.22 - 2.1.23 - Christmas Holidays (School Closed)
3.1.22 - INSET DAY (School Closed)
4.1.22 - Start of Spring Term 2023