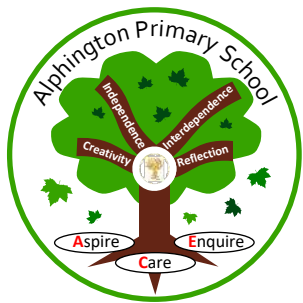




Alphington Primary School

Newsletter

12/05/2023



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome to this week's newsletter. We have had a busy few weeks in school with trips and visits, and trying to make the best of the weather! Year 6 have taken part in their National Curriculum tests this week and we have been incredibly proud of how hard they have worked and their fantastic learning behaviours. They are off on their residential next week, for a well-earned break!

Over the coming term the children will be learning more about Relationships and Sex Education as part of their PSHE (personal, social and emotional health) scheme of work. To support you with this and to help you with any questions that may arise, we are putting together an overview of the areas covered and linked vocabulary for each year group, which will be sent out shortly.

Year 1 multi sports event:

Last week we were lucky enough to be invited to West Exe to attend a PE multi skills festival. During this time, the children were able to work on their hand eye co-ordination, their core strength, their listening skills and of course their collaboration skills, during all of the different activities which they took part in! The children had a brilliant time throughout their morning there and meeting all of the wonderful helpers that assisted them.



Evacuation day:

On Wednesday 26th April 2023, Year 5 entered school as if they were a child in the 1940's, being greeted by a soldier at the top of the ramp. Everyone arrived at school looking amazingly well dressed in their 1940's clothing. After we had admired one another's outfits, we attached our evacuation labels to ourselves ready to begin the day. The air-raid sirens sounded as we left school, not knowing where we were going. You could see that everyone was very excited for the day ahead! After a short walk around the block, we arrived at the community centre where the billeting officer greeted us. Once he had introduced himself, he split us into two groups, one writing a diary entry as if we were being evacuated and the other, exploring artifacts with the storyteller. Once we had completed these activities, we got to listen to true stories of the past and see some incredible, real items from World War 2. Lots of us were fascinated by the gas masks - what they looked like and how they worked.

After a long morning, we took a well-deserved break for lunch. In the afternoon, we played multiple games that were played during the war, these included: four square, hop-scotch, skipping and tag. We finished the day by creating a poster, persuading parents to evacuate their children for safety, all before returning to school. We had a wonderful day and our Year 5 children represented our school wonderfully, as always!



Sports week:



PTFA open meeting:



OPEN MEETING

MONDAY 15TH MAY

6-7PM

YEAR 2 CLASSROOMS

All parents are invited to our open meeting - we will be talking about upcoming events, and how the PTFA have supported the school so far this academic year.

Light refreshments will be provided.

Please email any questions to
ptfa@alphington.devon.sch.uk

Attendance:

Just a gentle reminder that we do require an absence request form to be completed, for all planned absences from school. These forms can be collected from the school office or can be emailed to you. If your child has a pending medical appointment, please let the school office know by email, along with a copy of any appointments letters / text messages which you may have.

Coronation plant donation:

Thank you all for your kind donations for this, we have received an abundance of beautiful plants and we also raised £158 to buy more!

Dates for your diary:

Monday 15th May-Friday 19th May: Year 6 residential - Great Potheridge House

Monday 22nd May-Friday 26th May: School sports week

Monday 29th May-Friday 2nd June: Half term

Friday 9th June: Year 3 trip to Dartmoor and sleepover

Tuesday 13th June: DSFRS to visit Y2 & Y5

Friday 23rd June: KS1 sports day

Friday 7th July: KS2 sports day

Friday 14th July: End of year reports to come home

Friday 14th July: School fete

Monday 17th July- Wednesday 19th July: Year 5 residential

Monday 17th July: Year 6 leavers show to parents

Tuesday 18th July: Open evening for parents

Wednesday 19th July: Year 6 leavers fish and chip night

Friday 21st July: Year 6 leavers assembly

Friday 21st July: Last day of term

