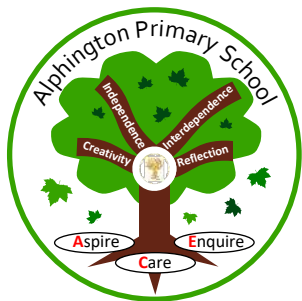




Alphington Primary School

# Newsletter

30/06/2023



## Message from the Deputy Headteacher

Dear Parents / Carers,

It has been wonderful to see so many families joining us over the last two weeks for sports days, Year 4 trip and today's Year 5 VE day celebration. End of term events are fast approaching, and we look forward to seeing more of you in school to celebrate sports day, the summer fete and Year 6 leavers events. We will be sending out further information regarding Strike days on Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th today.

## Leavers:

We have a few members of staff leaving us at the end of term which is always sad for us as a school. Mrs Pattison, Mrs Paviour, Miss Fenlon, Mrs Sercombe and Miss Quick will be moving onto their next adventure. We will be sad to see them leave and wish them all the best of luck.

### Mrs Pattison

As you may be aware, this will be my last year at Alphington as I will be moving on at the end of the academic year to take on the role of Head of School at Kenton Primary School. I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude for the treasured memories you and your children have given me throughout my nine years at Alphington. It has been an absolute privilege to be part of this very special school community, and I will forever cherish the memories and experiences I have had with your extraordinary children. The enthusiasm, resilience, and creativity demonstrated by each, and every child has continuously inspired me and reaffirmed my love of teaching. I will always remember the children and families who have become such an integral part of my journey and will look forward to hearing about all the remarkable accomplishments your children will achieve in the future.

### Miss Fenlon

I have loved working at Alphington for the past five years and feel lucky to have been part of the team. Thank you to everyone who has been so welcoming and lovely throughout my time here, it has been an absolute pleasure to work with your children. Although I am looking forward to my new teaching adventure in Dubai, I will miss seeing everyone's smiley faces every day and being part of the Alphington family! Thank you so much for everything.

### Mrs Paviour

After a fantastic few year's teaching Foundation at Alphington, I will be stepping down from class teaching at the end of the school year. It has been an absolute delight to work with some amazing children, parents and staff, and I hope to keep in contact and see how all the Hedgehogs and Foxes develop as they progress through the school. Your children have been incredible! I am not going far though, so if you see me around the village, please say "Hi"!

## New Staff:

Alongside Mrs Stables who will be joining us as Deputy Headteacher, we also have 3 new members of staff who will be joining us in Preschool, Foundation and Year 4.

**Miss Pollard** is our new Early Years Lead and will be teaching and supporting across Preschool and Foundation.

Hi everyone, my name is Miss Pollard and I will be your EYFS Lead from September. I am looking forward to meeting everyone very soon, and excited to learn and grow with you all through lots of new and fun activities. I can't wait to get to know you all better, but to start here's a few facts about me. In my spare time I love to bake, read books, and have just recently started learning how to play the ukulele. I can't wait to learn more about your hobbies and skills as well, see you all very soon!



**Miss Spence** will be teaching in Foxes in Foundation.

Hi there, I am Miss Spence and I am super excited to say that I will be one of the class teachers in foundation this year.

I am looking forward to creating a welcoming classroom with my class where we will build relationships, show care and always try our best. I feel super lucky that I get to learn through exploration with you all and get to work with you to develop your skills in writing, reading, maths and lots of other fun things!

In my spare time, I love to travel, go on walks with my dogs (Smudge, Blaze and Buddy) and spend time with family and friends!



**Miss Goulding** will be teaching in Starlings class in Year 4.

Hi, I'm Miss Goulding and I'm very excited to be joining Alphington primary school as a Year 4 class teacher!

I love all things history and art, so I am especially looking forward to exploring these topics with my class in September. Outside of school, I enjoy cooking adventurous dishes, painting landscapes and reading books.



## Next year classes:

We are pleased to share the classes for next academic year. Children will have time to meet their new class teacher on Friday 14th July for a morning transition session.

| Current teacher             | New teacher                                     | New classroom | Year group |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------|
| Miss Fenlon<br>Mrs Pearson  | Miss Pollington<br>Mrs Pearson                  | Ladybirds     | Pre-school |
| Pre-school/new intake       | Miss Isherwood                                  | Hedgehogs     | Foundation |
| Pre-school/new intake       | Miss Spence                                     | Foxes         | Foundation |
| Mixed foundation<br>classes | Miss Thomas                                     | Squirrels     | 1          |
| Mixed<br>foundation classes | Miss Patmore                                    | Bumblebees    | 1          |
| Mr Turner/Miss<br>Patmore   | Mr Moore                                        | Grasshoppers  | 2          |
| Miss Thomas                 | Miss Thompson                                   | Dragonflies   | 2          |
| Miss Thompson               | Mr Turner (4<br>days)/Mrs Knight (1<br>day)     | Otters        | 3          |
| Mr Moore                    | Mr Thomas                                       | Kingfishers   | 3          |
| Miss Williams               | Miss Goulding                                   | Newts         | 4          |
| Mr Thomas                   | Miss Williams (4<br>days)/Mrs Knight (1<br>day) | Starlings     | 4          |
| Ms Daniels                  | Ms Daniels                                      | Kestrels      | 5          |
| Miss Quick                  | Mr Prowse                                       | Kites         | 5          |
| Mr Prowse                   | Miss Collinson                                  | Avocets       | 6          |
| Miss Hill/Mrs Knight        | Miss Hill (4 days) Mrs<br>Stables (1 day)       | Badgers       | 6          |
| Miss Oakley                 | Miss Oakley                                     | Owl Class     |            |



## Sports day:

It was wonderful to see Preschool and KS1 take part in their sports day last Friday! They were all fantastic at being Resilient Rons, challenging themselves to have a go at all the events. They were great competitors supporting and cheering for their classmates! Thank you to all the families that joined us! We look forward to KS2 sports day next week.



## Athlete event:

What a fantastic athlete event with Paralympian, David Hill. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and had some great questions to ask during the assembly. We just wanted to say a huge thank you for money raised which will help improve physical activity in the school, while also supporting both athletes and para-athletes, so that they can continue to inspire the next generation. A whopping £1586 was raised in total, so thank you.

## West Exe Year 5-6 Choir:

We are very proud of our Year 5 and 6 choir who attend the West Exe event Tuesday evening - they sang beautifully and were amazing representatives of Alphonington school.



## PTFA news:

We are busy organising the summer fete which will be held on Friday 14th July. Thank you to those of you who have offered to help with this but if you are able to offer us a hand, please follow the link below to volunteer some time. Alternatively, you could support us by donating cakes and biscuits for our tea and cake stand. Please can any donations be dropped to the school hall on the morning of Friday 14th July.

<https://volunteersignup.org/4BCMA>

At the summer fete we will be holding an amazing raffle draw, the children will be bringing home a book of raffle tickets for parents to purchase or sell. Can we ask that all stubs and money is placed in the envelope provided and handed back to teachers or the school office. More tickets are available from the school office or you can contact us to request more via our facebook page or by email at [ptfa@alphington.devon.sch.uk](mailto:ptfa@alphington.devon.sch.uk)



**Alphington Primary School PTFA**

### Summer Fete Raffle

Drawn Friday 14th July at 5.00pm  
TICKETS £1 EACH OR A BOOK FOR £5

- ★ 1st Prize - £250 ★
- ★ 2nd Prize - £100 ★
- ★ 3rd Prize - £50 ★

Donated by:

**REDROW HOMES**

- ★ 4th Prize - £50 Voucher ★
- ★ 5th Prize £25 Voucher ★

Donated by:

**LUCERNE HOUSE**

- ★ 6th Prize - M&S Hamper ★

Donated by:

**CAVANNA HOMES**

Plus vouchers/prizes kindly donated by: New Inn, Stylers, The Blush Beauty Room, Donna Barlow Beauty, Tasha James Independent Scentsy Consultant, Planet Play, Parris Farm, Lucombe Oak, Devon Martial Arts, Graze by Dish, Combe Martin and more...



**Alphington Primary School PTFA**

### SUMMER FETE

Friday 14th July 2023  
2.30pm-6.00pm

**GO KARTS**  
**SWEETS & CANDY FLOSS**  
**BAR & BBQ**  
**ICE CREAMS**  
**TEA AND CAKE**  
**BIG SUMMER RAFFLE**  
**BOUNCY CASTLE**  
**FOOT DARTS**

**DEVON MARTIAL ARTS**  
**EXETER EAGLES BMX**  
**BERNICE COCKRAM CRYSTALS**  
**DEVON LIBRARIES**  
**NUTTY NUTS FACE PAINTING**  
**DEVON WILDLIFE TRUST**  
**1st ALPHINGTON GIRL GUIDES**  
**BODY SHOP**  
**17TH ALPHINGTON SCOUTS**

**PLUS LOTS OF GAMES:**  
LOLLIPOP PICK, WATER OR WINE, SPLAT THE RAT, LUCKY DIP, JAM JAR HOOPLA, HOOK A DUCK, PENNY OR PRIZE, WELLY WANG, CHOCOLATE TOMBOLA AND MUCH MORE..



## Dates for your diary:

**Friday 7th July:** KS2 sports day

**Wednesday 12th July:** Rocksteady Summer Concert 10:30-11am in school hall

**Thursday 13th July:** Year 1 trip to Dartmoor Zoo

**Thursday 13th July:** Wildlife Champion session with Emily from DWT

**Friday 14th July:** Class transition day (AM)

**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

