



Alphington Primary School

Newsletter

13/09/2024



Message from the Deputy Headteacher

Key Dates and Information

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome to the next edition of our Alphington newsletter! The term has started in earnest and I am sure I'm not the only one for whom the summer holidays seem a distant memory!

As mentioned in Miss Tarr's message earlier this week, I have the privilege of holding the reins for the next few weeks until she returns from her operation. Please be reassured that it is very much 'business as usual' here at Alphington! Thank you so much for everyone's kind words and support, and we all wish Miss Tarr a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing her again soon.

Best wishes,

Vicky Stables

Medical:

Please can we make you aware that all prescribed medication to be administered during the school day, must be brought to the school office where you will be required to complete the relevant medication form. This form has to be completed before we can administer any type of medication at school. Some children are bringing medicine into school in their bags, which could be a risk to others. Thank you so much for your support with this.

Staff Update:

After 10 years of working in the office, Julia Watton is bidding us farewell. She is embarking on an exciting new job opportunity with her last day being 27th September.

Julia has been an invaluable part of our school community, bringing dedication, compassion, and unwavering support to so many of our Alphington families. As she takes on this new challenge, we want to extend our heartfelt gratitude. We will miss her terribly but wish her all the best for her next adventure.



Website:

Please do check out our website for information on:

- Homework <https://alphington.devon.sch.uk/homework/>
- Wellbeing and Parent Support <https://alphington.devon.sch.uk/wellbeing-and-parent-support/>
- Curriculum Overview <https://alphington.devon.sch.uk/curriculum/>

The fun begins...

...and finally, check out some of the fantastic learning which has already taken place this term. Many classes have now had their 'Hook Days' which are designed to give the children awe and wonder and get them excited about the upcoming Theme lessons. Hopefully they are keen to tell you all about them!





Key Dates:

Please refer to our previous newsletter for housekeeping details such as PE days but here are some key dates for the upcoming term.

Wednesday 18th September – Swimming Lessons start for Y4 and Y6 (Letter to follow)

Week beginning 23rd September – Cycle to School Week

Friday 27th September – MacMillan Coffee Morning run by Y6 (all welcome!)

Week beginning 7th October – SEND Support Plan Meetings with parents

Week beginning 14th October – Bikeability for Year 6

21st, 22nd and 24th October – Parents Evenings

25th October – Last school day before half term

4th November – First day back after half term

5th November – Flu Immunisations

14th November – School Photos – Individuals and siblings

Week beginning 11th November – Anti-Bullying Week

15th November – Children In Need

20th December – Last day of term

