

Alderman Jacobs School (Academy Trust)

Spring 2019 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

During the Easter holidays several members of staff gave up their time to help create a new Forest School area. Miss Whitwell recently completed her level 3 training as a Forest School leader and thanks to the Glassmoor Funding grant we have been able to purchase a lovely shelter, which is now built and in use - the area is a fabulous addition to the school.

I'm pleased to confirm that Miss Reed will be staying on with us at Alderman Jacobs next year and that we will also be joined by Miss Clarke who is spending the first three weeks of this term in school with us.

I have been in contact with the local policing team who intend to increase their presence on the roads around school. Please remember that the drop-off zone is only to be used to pull into while children get out of the car - it is not a parking space and the signs indicate this. If you need to park please choose somewhere that is safe and respectful to our neighbours. Thank you to the many parents who are helping us achieve this and have communicated their support by dropping into the office and emailing us.

Mrs C Carlisle



Pupil Achievements

Congratulations to the following pupils ~
keep up the good work!

George O ~ Passed Stage 2 swimming
Enola H ~ Swimmer of the month at COPS
swimming Club
Lacey V ~ 5th place in County qualifier
Gymnastics competition
Courtney H ~ Passed Stage 7 swimming

Manor Dolphins Sponsored Swim

Elizabeth W ~ 28 Lengths
Samantha W ~ 40 Lengths
Catherine W ~ 34 lengths
Isla R ~ 50 metres
James R ~ 52 lengths
Yasmin C ~ 120 lengths

New Early Years ~ September 2019

If your child has a confirmed place in Early Years for September 2019 you will need to complete and return one of our own yellow admission forms. If you have not already done so, please collect one from the school office.

Mrs L Wright

Comic Relief

We raised a massive £605.20 in donations for this charity.
A big thank you to all those who donated on the day.

Attendance ~

up to 9/05/19 ~ 95.68.%

World Book Day

Yet again, we had a fantastic World Book Day at AJS as we certainly celebrated the love of reading in style! A huge thank you for supporting this event by allowing the children to come dressed up - the array of costumes was an absolute delight to see. Throughout the day, the children participated in an abundance of activities: starting with an assembly which had a 'guess that book' quiz, whereby the children's knowledge of books really stood out; reading aloud sessions, focusing on sharing their favourite stories; designing their own front covers to books and innovating their own stories. Overall, the children and all the staff at AJS had an incredible day. It is certainly safe to say that the love of reading is as strong as ever again at AJS. "Reading will never wear out, as long as we keep the fire alight in our children's hearts and in their imagination."

Miss Miles

Year 4 ~ PGL Residential

Moose! Alpaca! Moose, moose, alpaca!

You may have heard this song being sung over and over again if your child attended the PGL residential from 3-5 April. The focus of the three days was fun, challenging yourself and of course facing your fears! The children took part in a range of activities including, den building, rifle shooting, rock climbing, abseiling, orienteering and tackling the Jacob's Ladder. Loud singing was highly encouraged on the move between activities - something the teachers struggled with at 9am! Despite the freezing cold winds, the children all excelled at using their team work skills and were so encouraging of one another during activities. Night time wasn't so bad either - especially by the second night as we were all exhausted! The children really enjoyed the experience and represented the school wonderfully. Well done all!

Miss Suttle



Year 1 visit to Ramsey Heights

In March Year 1 had two fantastic trips to Ramsey Heights! We got to take part in lots of great activities including pond dipping, bird watching and hunting for Mini-beasts. We also learnt lots of interesting facts about The Great Fen and the different animals who live there. All of the children and adults had a brilliant time!

Miss York

First we went on the coach then we got to do lots of fun things! We all got an explorer bag then we did some mini-beast hunting and we found a wriggly worm and a ladybird. After that we went pond dipping and we even found some Ramshorn water snails. Our favourite part was making a crown from different leaves that we got to take home! It was very fun!

By Meredith O and Briley B



Year 5 Grafham Residential

Between 6th and 8th March we went to Grafham Water. While we were there, we had our own rooms that we had to keep clean and look after. We took part in a range of activities such as: high ropes, which is a climbing course that you complete high up while attached to a rope; a 10 mile bike ride, which included lots of hills; sailing, which is where we got to steer a whammel and drive a power boat; indoor climbing on a climbing wall; bushcraft and the crate stacking challenge. My favourite activity was high ropes as I got further than I thought and I was proud of myself.

By Callum W.

Diary Dates

Year 3 Mosque and Cathedral visit

First of all we went to the Mosque. The man showed us where to put our shoes because we are not allowed to wear them in the mosque. After that he asked us about Muslims and the Mosque. Then we walked around the main floor and looked at the Koran. Whilst others were on the second floor my group were looking in the room where they performed wudu, then we swapped over. It was a beautiful view from the second floor then I had to perform the prayer. It was fun. Finally he asked if we had any questions, then he gave us fruit juice and crisps.

Now we went to the Cathedral. At the start the lady showed us the front of the Cathedral and told us that it was 900 years old! So as we entered the lady showed us a couple of saints. Next we got shown the organs. The metal organs were the choir seats. We walked to see Queen Katharine of Aragon. Past Katharine there were stain glass windows of Jesus' last meal and then we went back to school.

By James F and Ryley T

Class Assemblies/Learning Markets

Tue 16, Wed 17 & Thu 18th July ~ Year 6 ~ 9.15am

Professional Days

School will be closed to pupils on the following days:-

Mon, Tues, Weds 22nd, 23rd & 24th Jul 2019

Medical Information

Please note that we will be using Boots' Bite and Sting Relief cream if children should require it during school time. If you do not wish us to use this product on your child, please speak to Mrs Wright in the school office.

You will not receive a Medical Tracker email when we use this, but your child will be given a sticker to notify you.

MAY

10 Fri

Yr 4 Fitzwilliam Museum trip ~ (New Zealand and Fiji classes)

W/C 13th

Year 6 SATS

16 Thu

Yr 1 & 2 ~ Teddy Bears Picnic lunch

22 Wed

Parent Working Party ~ 9am

27 ~ 31

Half Term

JUN

3 Mon

Yr 4 Kings Dyke Walk ~ New Zealand

4 Tue

Yr 4 Kings Dyke Walk ~ Fiji class

5 Wed

5 yr old Dental Checks

7 Fri

Yr 4 Kings Dyke Walk ~ Australia class

10 ~ 14

Yr 6 Transition Week—~SHSCC

14 Fri

Get Active Festival ~ France Class

17 Mon

Dads in School

17~21

Year 6 York Residential

19 Wed

Year 6 Woburn Trip

26 Wed

Yr 4/5/6 Sports Day ~ AM

26 ~ 2 Jul

Book Fair

27 Thu

EY & Yr1 Sports Day ~ AM

28 Fri

EY & Yr1 Food and Farming Trip

29 Sat

FOAJS School Fete

JUL

8 Mon

Yr 6 Induction Day at SHSCC

15 Mon

Year 2 Hunstanton Trip

16 ~ 18

Year 6 Production

19 Fri

Summer Term Closes

SEP

4 Wed

Autumn Term opens

30 ~ 1st Oct

School Photographs

School Term Dates 2018/19

May Bank Holiday ~ Mon 7 May 2018

Half Term ~ Mon 28 May ~ Fri 1 Jun 2018

Summer Term Closes ~ Fri 20 Jul 2018

Autumn Term opens ~ Wed 5 Sep 2018

Half Term ~ Mon 22 ~ Fri 26 Oct 2018

Autumn Term closes ~ Wed 19 Dec 2018

Spring Term opens ~ Thu 3rd Jan 2019

Half Term ~ Mon 18 ~ Fri 22 Feb 2019

Spring Term closes ~ Fri 5 Apr 2019

Summer Term opens ~ Tue 23 Apr 2019

