

# Alderman Jacobs School (Academy Trust)



## December 2019 Newsletter



### Dear Parents and Carers

School is now looking festive and ready to welcome parents, carers and other family members to our very popular Coffee and Carols events. The children have been practicing hard ready to wow you, once again.

Car parking near and around school is always an issue and our own carpark is incredibly full. We are currently having work done to increase our car parking facilities which will make things easier at the front of school.

Mrs Holdsworth has now begun her maternity leave and we wish her a peaceful few weeks before her twins arrive!

As we reach the end of term all the staff and governors of Alderman Jacobs wish you a festive holiday and a Merry Christmas!

Cathy Carlisle

### Church Services

#### Years 4, 5 & 6

On Tuesday 10th December, we will hold our annual Carol service at St Mary's Church at 1.45pm. Children will walk to the church after lunch on this day.

#### Year 1, 2 & 3

Wednesday 11th December is our annual Christingle service, also at St Mary's Church, at 10am. Children will walk to church after registration.

Parents and carers are welcome to attend both events and all children will return to school once the services have finished.

If you are available to walk to either of these services with your child's class, please speak with the class teacher.

**Attendance ~  
up to 29/11/19 ~ 96.4%**

### Children in Need

I would just like to say a big thank you to all parents and children again this year for supporting Children in Need! We managed to raise a massive £1195 for the charity. The children continue to love putting their pennies on Pudsey. This year Pudsey teamed up with Joe Wicks, a fitness coach, and the children at AJS took part in one of his 5 minute work outs and did brilliantly!

I would also like to thank Alfie Lane for his enthusiasm and commitment in raising money too, he made an additional £72 for Children in Need! Well done!

Mrs Montgomery



### Pupil Achievements

Congratulations to the following pupils:

Seren S~R ~ Won Gold place in swimming gala.

Mason B~M ~ Passed Stage 5 swimming

Layla B~M ~ Passed Stage 4 swimming

Douglas C ~ 6th overall in his first Motorcross racing season.

Well done everyone!!



### Pizza and Milkshake

Please note that pizza and milkshakes will be available on Thursday 5th December and Thursday 12th December and will NOT be available on Friday 6th or Friday 13th.



### Christmas Lunch

The Christmas lunch will be on Friday 13th December and is only available to the children that have pre-booked online. Please note that only the advertised lunch is available and that there will be NO sandwich option on this day.



### Parking around School

Could we politely remind parents to be mindful when parking around the school grounds and not to block residents driveways or access.

Thank you for your support

### Pre~School

Our next open session for prospective pre~schoolers will be on Thursday 23rd January 2020. If you are interested in attending, please contact the school office to make an appointment.

We are now accepting applications for the 2020~2021 school year. Please collect an

### Christmas Jumper Day

Don't forget Christmas Jumper Day is Friday 13th December! Please do not feel that you have to buy a jumper for your child, but you could "modify" their normal school uniform jumpers. This is not a dress-down day, the rest of the school uniform should be worn. In order to raise money for this worthwhile charity, we ask for children to donate £1 each, to be collected by class teachers in the morning.



### Coffee and Carols morning

Our coffee and carols morning will be on Friday 6th December. All are welcome to enjoy this festive morning with the opportunity to hear your children sing Christmas Carols.

FoAJS will provide refreshments for adults to purchase. They will also hold a raffle for a chance to win a hamper donated by school staff.

The school also welcomes donations which will go towards the children's Christmas parties and other special events throughout the year.

### Whittlesey Emergency Food Aid

The local food bank is always looking for donations. We are happy to support them by taking in any donations here which will be collected by the Whittlesey Team. If you would like to help support the local community the suggested items include: Gravy/stock cubes, tinned food, crisps, Christmas pudding, mince pies, packet food, jam, sugar, pasta, cereals, tea, coffee, toiletries and toilet roll.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

### Book Fair

This is being held in the main hall from Wednesday 4th December to Wednesday 11th December, 8.20am ~ 8.45am and 3.10pm ~ 4.00pm. Please note that the last session to come and purchase books is on the morning of Wednesday 11th December.



### Sponsored Walk

Thank you all for your support with this event. We raised an amazing total of £1637.80!

A special thank you to the following children who raised over £40:

Mason P ~ £45  
Alannah W ~ £40

Well done!

# Diary Dates

## Class Assemblies/Learning Markets

Wed 5 Feb ~ Class Canada  
 Wed 12 Feb ~ Class USA  
 Wed 11 Mar ~ Class Australia  
 Wed 18 Mar ~ Class Fiji  
 Wed 25 Mar ~ Class New Zealand  
 Wed 29 April ~ Class Spain  
 Wed 6 May ~ Class Italy  
 Wed 20 May ~ Class France  
 Wed 10 June ~ Class Chile  
 Wed 17 June ~ Class Brazil  
 Wed 24 June ~ Class Egypt  
 Wed 1 July ~ Class Kenya  
 Wed 8 July ~ Class Morocco

9am starts ~ All Welcome

Tue 3 Dec ~ Early Years Nativity ~ 2.00pm  
 (Younger siblings welcome)  
 Wed 4 Dec ~ Early Years Nativity ~ 9.30am  
 (Adults only)  
 15 July ~ Year 6 performance ~ time TBA  
 16 July ~ Year 6 performance ~ time TBA

## Professional Days

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

Weds 22nd and Thurs 23rd July 2020  
 Thur 3rd and Fri 4th Sept 2020  
 Fr 23rd Oct 2020  
 Fri 2nd Nov 2020  
 Mon 4th Jan 2021

## School Term dates 2019/20

Autumn Term closes ~ Thur 19th Dec 2019  
 Spring Term opens ~ Mon 6th Jan 2020  
 Half Term ~ Mon 17th ~ Fri 21st Feb 2020  
 Spring Term closes ~ Wed 1st Apr 2020  
 Summer Term opens ~ Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Apr 2020  
 May Day ~ Fri 8th May 2020  
 Half Term ~ Mon 25<sup>th</sup> May ~ Fri 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020  
 Summer Term Closes ~ Tue 21st Jul 2020

## School Term dates 2020/21

Autumn Term opens ~ Mon 7th Sept 2020  
 Half Term ~ Mon 26th Oct ~ Fri 30th Oct  
 2020  
 Autumn Term closes ~ Fri 18th Dec 2020

## DEC

4 ~ 10

Book Fair

6 Fri

Coffee and Carols ~ 9am  
Y5 Reading Café ~ 2pm

9 Mon

India Reading Café ~ 2pm

10 Tue

Y6 Pantomime Trip  
Y4,5,6 Church Service ~ 1.45pm

11 Wed

FoAJS Secret Santa ~ .3.15pm~4pm  
Internet Safety Event ~  
7pm ~ 9pm ~ Main Hall

12 Thu

Y1,2,3 Christingle ~ 10am  
China Reading Café ~ 2pm

13 Fri

FoAJS Secret Santa ~ 3.15pm~4pm  
Christmas Jumper Day

19 Thu

Christmas Lunch  
Japan Reading Café ~ 2pm  
Last day of term

## JAN

6 Mon

Spring Term Opens

22 Wed

Egypt Reading Café ~ 2pm  
EY Phonics for parents ~ 5.30pm

23 Thu

Kenya Reading Café ~ 2pm

27 Mon

Japan Maths Café ~ 2pm

28 Tue

Canada Reading Café ~ 2pm

29 Wed

India Maths Café ~ 2pm

30 Thu

USA Reading Café ~ 2pm

Morocco Reading Café ~ 2pm

China Maths Café ~ 2pm

31 Fri

Jamaica Reading Café ~ 2pm

## FEB

3~6

Y5 Bikeability

4 Tue

Y1 Reading Café ~ 2pm

10~13

Y6 Bikeability

## MAR

4~6

Y5 Grafham Residential

5 Thu

World Book Day

10 Tue

Y1 Ramsey Heights

12 Thu

Y1 Ramsey Heights

13 Fri

Sports Relief

30~1stApr

Y4 PGL Residential

