Alderman Jacobs School (Academy Trust) Autumn Term 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to this half term, I know you have received a lot of communication from us already this term but as national guidance changes we need to adapt what we do too. It really has been lovely to have the children back in school and hear the buzz coming from classrooms.

As part of the government's extra funding to help children make up for lost learning in school we have appointed two additional members of staff. During the next term we will be joined by Mrs Kay Harrison and Mrs Rebecca Cook, both experienced teachers.

We are really pleased with our new wall murals, which were created by Street Art Hire. If you haven't seen them, please take a walk along the front of school and see if you can name our local landmarks!

Finally, we say farewell to Mrs Wright, who has been part of the school community for 27 years, and wish her well on her exciting new chapter.

Cathy Carlisle Headteacher

Nut Allergies

Please remember children should not be bringing nuts or nut products into school as we do have some pupils with severe allergies.





Attendance ~

up to 22/09/2020 ~ 95.44 %

If your child is unwell

If your child is unwell please call the school in the morning and leave a message on the absence line.

Pupil Achievements

Congratulations to William G who achieved rugby player of the year and a special achievement of the year award in rugby.

Well done!

We would love to here from you if your child has achieved something special, ask your child to come and visit us in the School Office.



Do you have a child starting Primary or Secondary School in September 2021?

If your child will be age 4 by 31st August 2021 you need to apply for a school place. The website is now open and you have until 15th January 2021 to apply. In addition to the online application, if you would like your child to come to AJS we will also need our yellow admissions form completing. Please call into main reception to pick up an application form.

If your child is currently in Year 6, applications must be made online by 31st October 2020.

For further information please visit: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/admissions

Medical

Please be aware that we use non-latex gloves in school for first aid. We use Boots Bite and sting Relief cream in cases of bites or stings. Please contact Mrs Rippon in the school office if either of these are a problem for your child.

If your child requires an **inhaler** at home, the school nurse has advised that they also need to keep one in school. Please contact Mrs Rippon to complete the relevant form.

If your child is allergic to **plasters** please let Mrs Rippon know.

Contact Details.

Please remember to keep your contact details up to date with the school office. It is important that we can get hold of you should your child become unwell during the school day.

To notify us of any changes, please email the school office:

office@aldermanjacobs.cambs.sch.uk

Mrs Wright is retiring

So long, farewell, auf wiedersehen, good bye, words from one of my favourite songs, and after 27 years, almost half my life!!!! I'm leaving for what I hope to be a long and happy retirement.

AJS has been an amazing place to work, I have been lucky enough to watch 3 generations of children pass through here, including my own children / grandchildren and pupils returning here as both teachers and parents. I was reminded only this summer, when a new dad introduced me to his child as "the lady who use to look after me, when I fell over and cut my knees on a regular basis, so you will be ok, if you do the same!"

I will miss things like dressing up on world book day, sitting in the office and hearing the children sing in assembly - nothing sounds more beautiful than 600+children singing, "I want to paint a perfect picture, of the world I'd like to see."

I have always been proud to say I work at AJS, the children and staff are what has made my working life such a happy one, so thank you to both past and present. I wish you good health, happiness and every success.

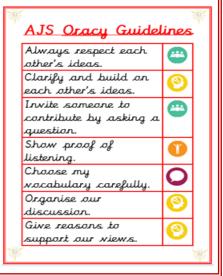
Lynne Wright

Best wishes for your RETIREMENT!



Oracy at AJS

Oracy, is a vital part of the Curriculum at Alderman Jacobs. This is the ability to talk well and to be able to learn through talk. In the first few weeks back to school, each class has agreed their own 'Talk Guidelines' to support all children when speaking and listening. You can find out more about Oracy at AJS on our website.



Labelling School Uniform

If you are looking for personalised labels for your child's school uniform, www.MyNametags.com donate 24% of every order to our PTA/School. All you need to do is enter our school ID at the checkout.

Our school ID: 31517





Diary Dates

School Term Dates 2020/21

Half Term ~ Mon 26th Oct ~ Fri 30th Oct 2020

Autumn Term Closes ~ Fri 18th Dec 2020 Spring Term Opens ~ Tues 5th Jan 2021 SEP

Mon 7 Autumn Term Opens

W/C 28th Sponsored Walk

OCT

Thu 1 Y1 & Y2 Teddy Bear Lunch

Fri 9 Y4 Bikeability

Mon 19 & Tues 20 Virtual Parents Evening

3.15pm-6.15pm

<u>Professional Days</u>

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

Fri 23rd Oct 2020 Mon 2nd Nov 2020 Mon 4th Jan 2021 NOV

Fri 13 Children In Need

Tue 24 Book Fair TBC

DEC

Wed 2 Flu Vaccinations

Thu 17 Christmas Jumper Day