

# Alderman Jacobs School (Academy Trust)

## October 2018 Newsletter

### Dear Parents and Carers

Last week we were asked to host an event on behalf of the Department for Education. We were chosen in recognition of our excellent results over the last few years. The Regional Schools Commissioner, representatives from the DfE and 25 schools across the Eastern area and London visited the school for the day, heard about our journey of improvement and toured our school. So many of the visitors were 'bowled over' by our learning environments, our teaching and the incredible welcome they received from our Year 6 Prefects. It was great to have an opportunity to showcase our school.

As we near the end of the first term I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

**Mrs C Carlisle**

### Sponsored Walk

We have raised an enormous £2085.65 for school. A big thank you to all our children and those who sponsored them. A special Thank You to George H who individually raised £100 and Mason P who raised £70. Well done!

### Walk to School Week ~ 8th ~ 12th October

As our front of school is busier than ever, I would like to politely remind those who travel in to school via car that we would be hugely grateful if you could park a little way away from the school. This would help to keep our children safe and encourage pupils to fit in some extra physical activity on their daily route to school. This year, we will be educating our children in the THINK! Road safety campaign and hope you will support us in this at home too.

It is our 'Walk to School Week' this week. We would love to have as many AJS staff and pupils walking to school this week as we can.

**Many thanks, Miss Oldham.**



### Pupil Achievements

Lacey V & Yasmin C moved to lengths in Manor Dolphins swimming.

Well Done!



### Attendance ~

up to 5/10/18 ~ 96.45%

### Entering School grounds

Could we please remind parents not to use the Lilliput pre-school's green gates to enter the school grounds at the end of the school day. Please wait for the AJS gate to open and enter our grounds via the KS1 playground.

### 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.

### New School Caterers

At our school, we have new caterers. Before the new company arrived, we didn't have as much choice. Now we have many different options including a large salad bar. The food tastes more delicious because the kitchen are using new recipes. Everyday there is a variety of meals, which results in more children trying new flavours. We give it a thumbs up!

Ollie F~W ,Daniel D,  
Aimee-Lee W, Lior C, Mason S,  
Thomas H, Dean R and Lacey-Jane B.

### Children in Need ~ Pennies for Pudsey

Children in Need is next month but we are once again asking the children to bring in small change to "cover Pudsies" to raise money for this worthwhile charity.

Could we ask if you could start putting some pennies aside to bring into school on Friday 16th November.

Thank you for your support.



### Parent Consultation Evenings ~ Tuesday 30th October and Thursday 1st November

There are still appointments available on the School's website, please go to [www.aldermanjacobs.cambs.sch.uk](http://www.aldermanjacobs.cambs.sch.uk) and go to the Parents tab and click on Parent Consultation Evening. The booking system closes on Sunday 28th October at 12 midnight.

### Year 3 ~ Flag Fen Trip

Would you like to find out about Flag Fen? First of all we got told a few facts about Flag Fen. They said to start off it was all water. We got split up into groups. We got to start off with looking around. We saw some metal that could have been used for clothes. Also we got to make beads out of clay.

#### **What our favourite part was.**

Our favourite part was to see all the boats and we got to sit in one. Another one of my favourite parts was sitting round a fire and listening to a story.

#### **Seeing the unusual things.**

We saw some really cool things like stones, crystals and lots more. We also spotted some teeth that were animal teeth from the stone age. When we were sitting round the fire we got to make a wish. When we touched a magical sword.

What an amazing time we had!

Kelsey & Layla



## Year 5 ~ Space Centre Trip

Last week, Year Five went to the space centre! It was an amazing trip! We spent our morning looking round at lots of information all about space and we collected as much information as we could, which will help us write our gold tasks, when we get back.

When we went into the 'Planetarium' our eyes popped out as there were so many amazing, mind-blowing facts about space, astronauts and what they do in space. The screen was everywhere - left, right! I looked up and it was even up there too! (It was amazing: it felt like staring up at the stars!)

After lunch, we went into the weather pod and we had to say the lines that came up on the screen. When we finished the weather pod, we went up the stairs to look at all the different facts and games that was up there. There was so much to do that most of us didn't want to leave!

On the second floor, we had a picture taken by our class teacher because there was an



astronaut frame that we could stand in and have our picture taken.

When we was on the third floor there was a real piece of the moon! After this, we went on a simulator, it was like we were in a real space craft going on a real space mission! Everybody had a fantastic time and we would recommend this trip to others it was the best trip I have been on so far! Everybody was saying they want to go again it was that good! Even the teachers

want to go again!

**Charlotte J & Jessie H**

## Medical

Please be aware that we use **latex gloves** in school for first aid. We use **Boots' Bite and Sting Relief** cream in cases of bites or stings. Please contact Mrs Wright 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 Wright to complete the relevant form.

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



# Diary Dates

## Class Assemblies/Learning Markets

Wed 14 Nov ~ Class France  
 Wed 21 Nov ~ Class Italy  
 Wed 28 Nov ~ Class Spain  
 Wed 27 Feb ~ Class Canada  
 Wed 6 March ~ Class USA  
 Wed 13 March ~ Class Jamaica  
 Wed 20 March ~ Class Chile  
 Wed 27 March ~ Class Peru  
 Wed 3 April ~ Class Brazil  
 Wed 12 June ~ Class Kenya  
 Wed 19 June ~ Class Egypt  
 Wed 26 June ~ Class Morocco

9 am starts ~ All Welcome

Tue 4 Dec ~ Early Years Nativity ~ 9.30am  
 Wed 5 Dec ~ Early Years Nativity ~ 2.00pm  
 Wed 5 Dec ~ Pre~School Singing ~ 9.30am  
 16 & 17 July ~ Year 6 Performance ~ time TBA

## Professional Days

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

Fri 19 Oct 2018  
 Mon, Tues, Weds 22nd, 23rd, 24th July 2019

## School Term Dates 2018/19

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  
 May Bank Holiday ~ Mon 6 May 2019  
 Half Term ~ Mon 27 ~ Fri 31 May 2019  
 Summer Term closes ~ Fri 19th July 2019

## OCT

9 Tue Egypt & 1/2 Morocco Church walk  
 Year 1 walk to Whittlesey Fire Station  
 Year 4 Café for all ~ Australia ~2pm  
 Year 4 Café for all ~ Fiji class ~ 2pm  
 10 Wed Open afternoon for 2019 EY 2pm~3pm  
 11 Thu Aladdin Trip  
 Year 4 Café for all~ New Zealand ~ 2pm  
 12 Fri Open afternoon for 2019 EY 2pm~3pm  
 Year 6 to SHSCC with parents~9.15am  
 15 Mon Passport Day  
 16 Tue Kenya & 1/2 Morocco Church walk  
 E~Safety evening session for parents  
 17 Wed York Residential information meeting ~  
 Main Hall ~ 6pm  
 18 Thur FoAJS Halloween Disco  
 19 Fri Professional Day  
 22 ~ 26 Half term  
 30 Tue Parents Evening ~ 3.30pm ~ 6.30pm

## NOV

1 Thur Parents Evening ~ 3.30pm ~ 6.30pm  
 5 Mon Australia & Fiji Lincoln Castle Trip  
 6 Tue New Zealand Lincoln Castle Trip  
 7 Wed Year 6 Duxford Trip  
 7 Wed Year 2 Café for all ~ Egypt class 2.00pm  
 8 Thu Flu Campaign ~ EY~Y5  
 Year 2 Café for all ~ Morocco 2.00pm  
 Year 2 Café for all ~ Kenya 2.00pm  
 9 Fri  
 12~16 Anti-Bullying Week  
 12 Mon Year 5 Café for all ~ 2pm  
 16 Fri Children in Need  
 19 Mon EY Café for all ~ Japan class 2.00pm  
 21 Wed EY Café for all ~ India class 2.00pm  
 22 Thur EY Café for all ~ China class 2.00pm

## DEC

5 ~ 11 Book Fair  
 7 Fri Coffee and Carols  
 10 Mon Year 6 Pantomime  
 11 Tue Years 4/5/6 Carol Service  
 at St Mary's ~ 1.45pm  
 12 Wed Year 1/2/3 Christingle  
 at St Mary's time ~ 10am  
 7 Fri Christmas Jumper Day  
 Christmas Dinner Day  
 19 Wed Autumn Term Closes

## JAN

3 Thu Spring Term opens