

Alderman Jacobs School (Academy Trust)

October 2019 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

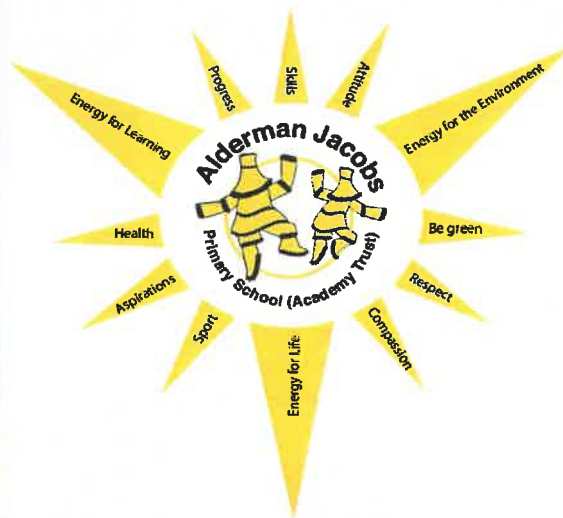
We are reaching the end of a really positive first half term. With the changes in school to create a larger pre-school, the children have enjoyed being able to use our new Chromebooks in their classroom and have all made use of our new mobile cooking trolleys. Both of these have cut down on time wasted moving around school and given the children more time to enjoy the practical aspects of these subjects.

As the weather become colder, please can you remind children that, inside school, hoodies and trainers are not part of uniform, although the children may wish to wear these at playtimes.

Our new 'maths café' and Maths With Parents programme have been really popular and feedback has been positive about how helpful they have been for finding out more about how maths is taught in school with parents telling us that they feel more able to help at home. If you would like to know more please speak to the office who will direct you to the correct people to help you.

Regards

Cathy Carlisle



Pupil Achievements

Congratulations to the following pupils:

Jasmin B ~ Green belt in Karate.

Robyn B ~ Green and white belt in Karate

Roxy B ~ Green and white belt in Karate

Isla R ~ BG Level 8 in Gymnastics

Jasmin B ~ Complete a 3km Insane Terrain obstacle race course.

Yasmin C ~ Grade 1 piano passed with merit

Well done everyone!!



Attendance ~

up to 11/10/19 ~ 95.5%

If your child is unwell

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

Children in Need

Children in Need is on Friday 15th November. We are once again asking the children to bring in small change to "cover Pudseys" to raise money for this worthwhile charity. Could we ask you to start putting some pennies aside to bring into school on the day. Children are able to wear non-uniform on this day and any Children in Need accessories. A £1 donation for non-uniform should be given to the class teacher on the morning.

Thank you for your support.



Year 2 ~ Peterborough Museum Trip

We went on a yellow bus with all of our friends to the exciting Peterborough Museum. When we got there we had an assembly. Then we got to make our own Victorian pop-up toy. It was amazing because we created lots of colourful patterns. Next, we looked around the museum. Our favourite parts were the skeleton and the creepy prison room. In the afternoon we played with lots of fun, old toys. Then we met Elizabeth the doll. She was made of wax and she had one hand and a beautiful, long dress. Her hair was even made of real human hair. We had an excellent day!
By Meghan P and Vicky B
in Kenya class.



Year 6 Prefects visit Aliwal Manor

On Monday 7th October, nine prefects had the opportunity to go to Aliwal Manor Care Home to take part in a community inter-generational working together project. During the visit, we began to build relationships with the older generation through taking part in a variety of craft activities such as: pumpkin carving, collage autumn trees, spooky cotton wool ghosts, paper plate bats and skeletons created out of cotton buds. We learnt many things about the resident's lives as we had many questions to ask them. Many of the people that we met were about six year old when World War 2 commenced. Our favourite parts were the collage autumn trees and pumpkin carving. Ben said "I had an amazing time, I met a really nice gentlemen and I'm now really looking forward to our next visit." Courtney Harding explained that "I really loved doing the activities with the elderly and learning about their lives." One of the people that we met was 86 and was a very passionate about drawing. He loved to draw forest pictures and animal pictures such as: foxes, birds, frogs and rabbits. Another lovely lady kept saying to us "ours is the best we are going to win!" Which made us all laugh. As a reward for all of our hard work, we all got a packet of crisps, a biscuit and a drink.
By Bailey-Mae W and Lewis W

Jip the Dog visits Iceland

On Tuesday 8th October, Iceland were visited by Jip, who is a 'Pet's as Therapy' dog, and his owner, Ray. Ray talked to the children about how to safely approach dogs that are unknown to us when they are with their owners whether they are on or off a lead. He also gave advice about how to safely deal with excited dogs that may approach us when they are not with their owner. Jip was very well behaved in the classroom and enjoyed all of the attention that the children gave him. The favourite part for the children was being able to stroke him and feed him his favourite smoked sausage treats.



Do you have a child starting Primary or Secondary School in Sept 2020?

If your child will be age 4 by 31st August 2020 you need to apply for a school place.

The website is now open and you have until 15th January 2020 to apply. In addition to the online application, if you would like your child to come to AJS we will also need our orange admission 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 2019.

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

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.

Diary Dates

Class Assemblies/Learning Markets

Wed 9 Oct ~ Class Peru
 Wed 27 Nov ~ Class Jamaica
 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
 Wed 4 Dec ~ Early Years Nativity ~ 9.30am
 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:-

Fri 18th Oct 2019

Weds 22nd and Thurs 23rd July 2020

School Term Dates 2019/20

Half Term ~ Mon 21st ~ Fri 25th Oct 2019
 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 20th Apr 2020
 May Day ~ Fri 8th May 2020
 Half Term ~ Mon 25th May ~ Fri 29th May 2020
 Summer Term Closes ~ Tue 21st Jul 2020

OCT

15 Tue St Mary's Church Walk ~ Class Kenya and half Morocco
 Y5 Maths Café ~ 2pm
 16 Wed Matilda Theatre Trip
 17 Thu Last day of term
 Y4 Maths Café ~ 2pm
 FoAJS Halloween Disco
 29 Tue Yr6 Duxford Trip
 30 Wed Yr4 Lincoln Castle Trip ~ NZ and half Australia classes.
 Maths with Parents info evening for EY and catch up ~ 5.30pm
 Y6 York Residential Info Evening ~ 6.15pm ~ 6.45pm
 31 Thu Yr4 Lincoln Castle Trip ~ Fiji and half Australia classes.
 Y2 Maths Café ~ 2pm

NOV

4 Mon Parents Consultation evenings ~ 3.30pm ~ 6.20pm
 5 Tue Y6 Reading Café ~ 2pm
 6 Wed Parent Working Party ~ 9am
 Parents Consultation evenings ~ 3.30pm ~ 6.20pm
 11~15 Anti Bullying Week
 13 Wed Flu Vaccinations
 15 Fri Children in Need ~ Non~Uniform
 20 Wed Maths Multiplication Evening ~ 6pm
 25 Mon EY Height and Weight Checks
 26 Tue Y6 Height and Weight Checks

DEC

6 Fri Coffee and Carols ~ 9am
 Y5 Reading Café ~ 2pm
 10 Tue Y4,5,6 Church Service ~ 1.45pm
 11 Wed Internet Safety Event ~ 7pm ~ 9pm ~ Main Hall
 Y1,2,3 Christingle ~ 10am
 13 Fri Christmas Jumper Day
 Christmas Lunch

JAN

6 Mon Spring Term Opens
 22 Wed Egypt Reading Café ~ 2pm
 23 Thu Kenya Reading Café ~ 2pm
 27 Mon Japan Maths Café ~ 2pm
 28 Tue Canada Reading Café ~ 2pm
 India Maths Café ~ 2pm
 Morocco Reading Café ~ 2pm
 29 Wed Y2 Reading Café ~ 2pm
 30 Thu China Maths Café ~ 2pm
 31 Fri Jamaica Reading Café ~ 2pm

