Alverton School

21/4/23 FRIDAY NEWS N°. 27

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely Easter holiday with your families.

Tonight is the first FOAS Bingo night and we hope to see you there. Information about this event was sent home earlier this week.

All our children have thrown themselves into their new topics.

Mrs Simpson: In Reception, the children have thoroughly enjoyed reading the Billy Goats Gruff story and even got to meet the Troll as part of their character hot seat activity. They thought of a range of vocabulary to describe the troll and have each written a list of these words to go with their imaginative troll illustrations.

Mr Dawe: Key Stage 1 have launched their summer term 'Our Cornwall' topic with class visits to Penlee House Gallery and Museum for a 'Penzance Through the Ages' workshop. The children participated in a number of activities teaching them how Penzance has changed between the Stone Age and the present. The gallery were very complimentary about how well behaved the children were during their visit and we all learned a lot!

Miss Rudge: In Lower Key Stage 2, we have started our new topic exploring the local area of West Penwith and its links to the wider world and understanding its heritage and history and geographical location; we are looking forward to getting out and about in the local area. We have also started our Science topic of light, investigating what is a light source and what is not.

Mrs O'Rourke: In Upper Key Stage 2 we have hit the ground running as Year 6 only have two more weeks until their SATs and they are working very hard. Year 5 have had great fun doing "The Highwayman" in English enjoying the chance to hot seat the main characters who have been acted out by Mrs Ashurst and Mrs O'Rourke.

Have a great weekend,

Best wishes,

Cathryn Wicks Head of School

Remember – safeguarding is everyone's responsibility

If you have a safeguarding concern, please contact Martin Higgs (Designated Safeguarding Lead) at

head@alverton.tpacademytrust.org or, if it is out of school hours, please contact the Multi Agency Referral Unit on 0300 1231 116;

E-mail:

multiagencyreferralunit@cornwall.gov.uk

Clubs

All clubs start from next Monday. Please check your child has a place before sending them to the club. Many clubs have been oversubscribed this term so if your child no longer wants a place please let the office know. If a club requires payment please ensure full payment is made before the start of the first session or your child will be unable to start and their place will be given to the next person on the waiting list.

After school childcare

If your child needs after school child care we have limited spaces so it must be booked in advance with the office by emailing

alverton@tpacademytrust.org or calling 01736 364087 before 3pm on the day of the booking required.

The cost is £6 for one hour or £12 for two and care finishes at 5.15pm.

Tuesdays and Thursdays this term are now fully booked.

THIS IS OUR

HELP YOUR SHELF

How it Works

It's all free.

Take what you need, whenever you need it.



No Questions Asked – No Judgements Made

Give what you can if you would like to.

We currently have lots of items on our Help Your Shelf ready for collection which are free for anyone to take at any time.

If you prefer, you can buy a reusable bag for £1 and fill this with items from the shelf. Once you've bought your bag, you can fill it with as much as you want, as many times as you want.

Whichever way you choose, the Help Your Shelf is available all day and you can pop in at any time.

Important

Please can you ensure that your child has a named, filled water bottle in school every day (water not squash or juice please). On sunny days please can you apply suncream to your child before school and send them in with a named sun hat.

PE kits should be in school ALL week and only be taken home so that it can be worn on PPA days and on a Friday for washing.

Coats are still needed on days when the weather is cooler. Thank you for your support.

Tickets for Matilda will be on sale on Monday. Last year, we sold out and so it is essential that you call in at the office asap if you would like to come along.

Thank you.

Alverton Primary presents

TICKETS ON SALE FROM MONDAY!



Wednesday 24th May 2023 at 6.30pm Thursday 25th May 2023 at 6.30pm

Tickets

£4.50 adult / £2.50 children over five.
Free tickets for pupils of Alverton School.
Please ask at the office if you have younger children who would like to attend.

Book by Dennis Kelly Music and Lyrics by Tim Minchin

Roald Dahl's Matilda The Musical JR. is presented through special arrangement with, and all authorized materials are supplied by,

Music Theatre International, New York, NY

(212) 541-4684 mtishows.com



Cornwall Partnership

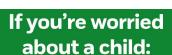
NHS Foundation Trust

The Trust has its own Out of Hours telephone support provided by Support Matters
Cornwall. This service operates from 5pm to 9am on weekdays and 24 hours a day at weekends and bank holidays. The service is open to all patients (aged 16+) under the care of the Trust's mental health services. Support can be delivered over the telephone, via text, email or web chat. Call free on **0800 001 4330**.

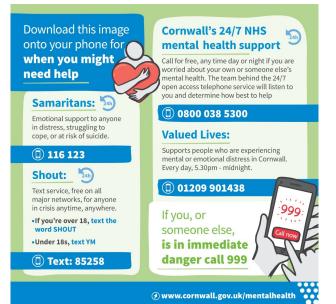








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Penzance CTIPA Foodbank

The CTIPA Foodbank in Penzance provides food for anyone in need. If their support would be helpful to you, just phone Veryan or Adele in the office in confidence on 01736 364087 and they can phone the Foodbank for you who will be able to help.

The Foodbank are extremely busy at the moment and are very grateful for any donations.







NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELPLINE 0808 2000 247 24/7 CONFIDENTIAL FREEPHONE



WCWAid West Cornwall Women's Aid

01736 367539 https://www.wcwaid.co.uk/helpline



There is a lot of help and advice available to help you keep your children safe online. Have a look at the Online Safety section of our website for lots of useful information and links http://www.alverton.org.uk/website/online_safety for families/246722. Your child's teacher will also always be happy to talk to you about online safety.

Free School Meals / Pupil Premium

https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/

Registering a child as eligible for free school meals (as described below) means that your child receives a free meal every day (though they can, of course, bring a packed lunch should they prefer) but there are additional benefits too. Pupil Premium brings more money into the school to help children achieve and learn. Children in receipt of the Pupil Premium also receive other benefits (eg contributions towards Key Stage 2 camps and funding to use for uniform, music lessons, trips etc). At some times, there are further benefits for these children such as food vouchers during holiday times where these are given. Please see the Pupil Premium Provision Map in the Pupil Premium section of our website http://www.alverton.org.uk/website/pupil premium/172518 or speak to Mrs Gill or Mrs Stacey in the office or contact Mrs O'Rourke who leads our Pupil Premium provision.

The easiest and quickest way to apply for free school meals is online through the Cornwall Council website but, if you are unable to do this, you can call the Free School Meals team on 01872 323298 and a member of the team will call you back to complete the application over the phone.

A child is eligible for free school meals if their parent / carer (or the child themselves) receives any of the following benefits:

- · Income Support (IS)
- · Job Seekers' Allowance (Income-Based) and equal based Job Seekers Allowance
- · Income Related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA-IR) and equal based Employment and Support Allowance
- · Child Tax Credit (CTC) with an annual income of less than £16,190
- · Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Guarantee Element of Pension Credit (GPC)
- · Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 (IAA) Support
- · Universal Credit your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get) as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods

If you are claiming the benefits listed below you are NOT eligible for free school meals, regardless of what other benefits / credits are being claimed:

- · Working Tax Credit
- · Contribution-Based Job Seeker's Allowance and / or Contribution-Based Employment and Support Allowance

NB All Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils are entitled to receive a free school meal as part of the Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) initiative, regardless of what benefits are being claimed. However, some children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 may also have an entitlement to benefits-related free school meals and it is important to apply for these if you think your child may be eligible.

Registering for free school meals / Pupil Premium is confidential. If you think that your child is eligible, we strongly recommend that you contact Cornwall Council as detailed above. Mrs Gill and Mrs Stacey in the office will also be able to help you and answer any questions you may have.

Thank you.





A very warm welcome back to you all, and I sincerely hope your Easter break was a good one. I have heard from

for always being polite & well mannered

for always giving 100% & making good progress in all areas

for working incredibly hard, being incredibly nice & playing incredible football

the children in my class about some of the lovely things they have been doing and the rest of the children in other years seem to be happy too, so all appears to be going well for them. It can be hard though, can't it, coming back to school sometimes after a break? Some children are really keen, others less so, some parents are delighted to have their children back with us, others less so; we're all different, adults and children alike. Should you or your child(ren) be feeling odd about the return or if it raises other worries or concerns, please come and chat, please don't worry without talking to somebody, and of course, I m happy if that somebody is me. Sometimes that's all it takes, telling somebody else. And I am always happy to be that somebody else. Have a lovely weekend and I shall

Bosigran

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Lunchtime Star

Angus

Katie M

Eden C

look forward to hearing the weekend news on Monday. Best wishes, Mrs Daylak (Curlews class teacher) xxxxx

DIARY DATES	
Monday 24th April	Clubs start
Wednesday 26th April	Swimming starts for Year 4, Group 1
Thursday 27th-Friday 28th April	Year 4 camp at Bude
Monday 1st May	Bank Holiday - school closed





FREE Kids Activity Club

Encouraging Years 4/5/6 children to be more active!

Do you have a child that wants to try something new and get more active?

Activity for children should be FUN!

In partnership with DT Coaching, Healthy Cornwall are delivering a range of fun, different and exciting activities every week during term.

These include – Multi-Sports, Archery, Kin Ball, NERF Battles, Laser Tag, Ultimate Frisbee, and much more!

Times /Venues



St Meriadoc CE Junior School, Fridays, 15.45-16.45

• Humphry Davy, Thursdays, 17:00-18:00

Contact Healthy Cornwall to book your place. Details below













Create a Play in a day at The Minack Theatre to celebrate Earth Day!

Work with professional directors, choreographers, a musical director and prop makers to create a series of epic stories that celebrate

World Earth Day 2023!

APril 22nd 2023 Ages 7-11 10am start Performance at 5Pm

