Alverton School

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After School Clubs

We are really proud of the range and quantity of extra-curricular clubs which our school now offers throughout the year. This term alone we are operating 17 after school clubs plus a range of lunchtime activities. Whilst we have to charge for the five clubs which are run by external providers, e.g. Go Active's Fencing Club, the vast majority are organised and run by our staff free of charge.

Over the past couple of months we have become aware of a small number of pupils who are on occasions choosing not to attend clubs they have signed up for but have not communicated this to the person running the club. This is a concern on a number of levels, most significantly from a safeguarding perspective. If a child has been present at school but not arrived at the after school club we then have to spend time trying to find out where that pupil is. There is also the issue of children being committed to clubs they have signed up for, and courteous to the staff running the club. I'm sure that you will agree that simply deciding at the end of the school day that they don't feel like attending and going home instead places everyone in an unfair position.

From now on we will be operating a system whereby if a child is present in school and does not attend a club they have signed up for then we will remove that child from that club list and offer the place elsewhere. This rule will not obviously apply if we have received advance notification (written/verbal/ telephone) that a child cannot attend a particular club.

Martin Higgs Headteacher

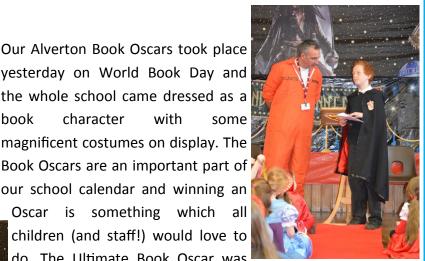
Book Oscars



magnificent costumes on display. The Book Oscars are an important part of our school calendar and winning an Oscar is something which all children (and staff!) would love to do. The Ultimate Book Oscar was

with

character





won by 'Tom's Midnight Garden' which was nominated by Mrs Gill. She was extremely surprised but thrilled to have won and thanks Frank, Caitlin and the staff who voted for such a wonderful book. Thanks once again to Mrs Clive and Mrs Petty who organised the event and to the team of TAs who transformed our school hall into Hollywood!

Parent survey

Our annual parent survey should have come home today with your child and there is a copy with this newsletter. Please complete and return as soon as possible and you will be entered into a prize draw.

WRAP-AROUND CARE AFTER SCHOOL

We are again looking into the <u>possibility</u> of running wrap-around provision for working parents after school. At this point, we are ONLY asking for an expression of interest.

This would be run by an outside provider and the charge would be a sessional rate with the **approximate** charges being as follows:

Monday-Friday	Cost for one child	Cost for sibling(s)	
	per day	per day	
3.20-4.15pm	£3.50	£3.00	
3.20-5.15pm	£6.50	£6.00	
3.20-6pm	£8.50	£8.00	

If you are interested in using this provision please complete the slip below and return it to the office as soon as possible. Completing this form will not commit your child to attending - this is only a fact finding exercise and initially we need to find out how many people would be interested. If there is not enough, we would not be able to take this further.

Thank you.						
After school provision						
Child's name:					Class:	
children)			·	·	·	children (number of mes (please tick)
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
3.20-4.15pm						
3.20-5.15pm						
3.20-6pm						

I would not need require regular after school provision but may use this occasionally.

Please return to the school office.



BOOK FAIR

PLEASE COME AND SUPPORT OUR BOOK FAIR ON:

Monday 6th, Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th March from 3.30 - 6pm

You may remember that last year we held a very popular and successful Book Fair, selling a fantastic range of books at greatly reduced prices. We will be doing so again this year and books will be available to buy using school book bank cheques and cash.

Our Book Fair will be held at the same time as our Parents Evenings and Caterlink will again be serving refreshments. All money raised will go back into the Lighthouse book shop.

Please come along and support us and get some bargains at the same time!

We would be very grateful for any children's books of reasonable or good quality to sell on our second hand book stall at the Fair. Please bring them into the office.

Thank you.

Mother's Day Lunches

We will be holding special lunches around Mother's Day at the end of March and we would like to invite any mums or grannies to come in and eat lunch with their children or grandchildren. The cost will be £2.64 per person to include a main course and dessert, payable on the day to Caterlink. The dates will be as follows:

Robins & Choughs - Thursday 23rd March

KS1 - Friday 24th March

KS2 - Monday 27th March

If you would like to come along, you must book your place **by Monday 13th March** so that the kitchen staff can order the appropriate amount of food. Please choose from the appropriate day, choose what you'd like and book at the office.

Thursday 23rd March: Beef & Vegetable Hot Pot with baby new potatoes OR red pepper & cheese frittata with baby new potatoes OR jacket potato with various fillings.

Friday 24th March: Roast turkey with roast potatoes & gravy OR vegetable wrap with roast potatoes OR jacket potato with various fillings.

Monday 27th March: Roast gammon with roast potatoes & gravy OR vegetarian wellington with roast potatoes OR jacket potato with various fillings.



Advance notice - cancellation of clubs

The following clubs will be **cancelled** next week due to parents evenings

Monday 6th March: Football, Needlecraft, Glee,

Story Club

Tuesday 7th March: Drama, KS1 Choir

Wednesday 8th March: High Fives, Board

Games, KS2 Choir

All other clubs will be ON as usual.

Needlecraft will also be cancelled on Monday 13th March.

Year 3/4 camp meeting

There will be a meeting for all parents whose children are going on Year 3/4 camp to Bude in May. This will be on **Tuesday 21st March** at 3.30pm. There will be lots of information and a chance to ask any questions you may have. We will also be giving out a pack with consent forms, itinerary and kit list.

Year 6 London

A reminder that all payments for the London trip in July must be made in full **by 20th April at the latest** (total cost £310). Please pay as little or as much as you like online at schoolmoney.co.uk.

Caterlink vacancy

There is currently a vacancy for a general kitchen assistant for 7.5 hours per week in the school kitchen. Hours would be 12.15-1.45pm. If you are interested, please phone Haulwen on 01736 366887 (9am-1.30pm) for more information.

Attendance

To support our work improving school attendance, Mrs Daylak is available to answer any questions you might have regarding attendance, absences and holidays, after school every Tuesday until 4pm. She can be found in Robins classroom.

Red Nose Day

We will be raising money for Comic
Relief on Friday 24th March by
having a non uniform day AND
holding a Talent Show for the
children so get
practising!

Friday
24th March

Owls and Kingfishers sharing assemblies

Please note that both Owls sharing assembly (due to be on 17th March) and Kingfishers sharing assembly (due to be on 10th March) have been postponed until the summer term.

New dates to follow.

Donations needed

One of our grandparents is off to Botswana in April and is hoping to take items for adults and children in need there. If you can donate any of the following small items, she would be very grateful.

Good quality second hand items: trump cards, playing cards, wallets & purses, stickers, pencil cases, rubbers, rulers, pens, make up & wash bags, jewellery, children's rucksacks, small toys (not battery operated), small fancy dress items, compact mirrors.

New items: toothbrushes, hairbrushes, combs, pretty notepads, flip flops (any size), nail clippers & emery boards, body sprays & perfumes.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Robins Rosa for all round effort, especially in her writing Choughs Dusty for sharing great ideas at own Learning Time

Puffins Owls

Kingfishers Trencrom

Lanyon

Kerris

TO BE ANNOUNCED ON MONDAY

Bodrifty Bosigran Kenidjack Dinnertime

PE star



For sale

Yamaha keyboards YPT-210 model (no adaptor or cable). £20. Please ask at the office.

CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Choughs	91.5%	11
Robins	99.0%	1
Puffins	97.2%	6
Owls	95.7%	8
Kingfishers	97.1%	7
Trencrom	98.1%	4
Lanyon	98.7%	3
Kerris	97.3%	5
Bodrifty	93.4%	9
Bosigran 🔭	99.0%	1
Kenidjack	93.2%	10
Overall school	96.5%	
attendance	30.5%	

Our collective target is 96.5%

Twitter

Don't forget to follow Twitter us on @alvertonschool to keep up-to-date with all the exciting things that are going on and to see some great photos!

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DIARY DATES				
<u>March</u>				
6 th -8 th	Parent Consultations			
6 th -8 th	Book Fair in the Hall from 3.30-6pm			
10 th	Sharing assembly for Kingfishers at 2.45pm - postponed until summer term			
17 th	Sharing assembly for Owls at 2.45pm - postponed until summer term			
24 th	All clubs finish			
24 th	All music lessons finish			
29 th	Last swimming for Kingfishers, Owls and Puffins			
FRIDAY 31 st MARCH SCHOOL CLOSES AT 3.15pm (normal time) FOR THE EASTER HOLIDAY				
SUMMER T at 9am	ERM BEGINS ON <u>TUESDAY 18th APRIL</u>			