

Punctuality

Arriving at school on time gives your child a great start to the day, putting them in a positive frame of mind to make the most of the day's learning and activities.

The school doors open at 8.45am to give your child plenty of time to arrive and settle before the formal start to the school day at 9am.

Types of lateness

1. **Late before register closes** Your child is a few minutes late – but they have missed the opportunity to say hello to and chat with friends. They are likely to feel unsettled and embarrassed as they start morning lessons. **If your child arrives after the hall door has closed at 9am, they need to come to reception to sign in at the school office. Parents will be asked to sign the late book to confirm their child's late arrival and the reason for this.**
2. **Late after register closes** (9.30am). This counts as an unauthorised absence and will show on your child's attendance record. Not only has your child missed the chance to meet with their friends before school, they are likely to have missed the start of lessons which are key to your child's learning and they may well feel much less confident than their classmates as the lesson moves on. **Again, pupils arriving at this time will need to come to reception to sign in at the school office. Parents will be asked to sign the late book to confirm their child's late arrival and the reason for this.**

Punctuality when collecting your child from school

We all understand that sometimes parents can be unavoidably delayed when collecting their child from school and we appreciate the phone calls to the office telling us if this is the case so that we can let your child know and avoid any worries.

However, there are other occasions when children are not collected on time at the end of the school day or after clubs have finished and we have not previously been advised that this is the case. Ensuring that children are safe at the end of the school day is obviously important to both you and us. **Children should be collected at 3.15pm (or whenever the club finishes) from the designated collection point (unless you have previously arranged for your child to walk home alone). If children are late being collected at the end of the day, we will ask the person collecting them to sign our late book and give the reason for this.**

Ways to help

- Work together to make sure that your child has everything ready the night before, eg books, PE or swimming kit, uniform.
- Get your child into the habit of doing their homework in the evening instead of in the morning at the breakfast table.
- Make sure your child has a good bedtime routine so they get plenty of rest and don't struggle out of bed in the morning.
- Invest in a good, reliable alarm clock – make setting it part of your child's bedtime routine.
- Try to ensure your child has a good breakfast to set them up for the day – we have a super breakfast club you could use if you need to be at work early.
- Have a back up plan for getting your child to school in case something crops up such as friends or family or perhaps neighbours who are taking their children to school anyway.
- Allow lots of time for your journey.
- If you are finding it difficult to get your child to school on time, talk to a teacher and ask for help!

Sun Safety

We have been fortunate to enjoy some sunny days lately and hope that they continue! On sunny days, please send your child to school with **suncream already applied**. They should also remember to bring a **hat or cap** to wear at break and lunchtime. Thank you.

Annie

Remember to buy your tickets as soon as possible to avoid disappointment!



Trips and camp

A reminder that all payments for Year 1 & 2 Minack trip, Year 6 surfing trip and for Year 5 camp in July must be in by **Friday 27th May at the latest**. Please pay online using schoolmoney.co.uk if you can. Unfortunately the trips cannot take place if we don't have all the replies and payment back in time.

Cornwall Boys Choir

Mrs Eddy took members of the Cornwall Boys Choir including Rhys from Kerris and boys from other schools in Penzance, Truro and Wadebridge to a Headteachers' conference at the Royal Cornwall Showground on Thursday.

This prestigious audience was very impressed by their performance of a song from the opera Carmen which they sang in fluent French! This really helped to reinforce the point that learning an instrument or singing in a choir helps to improve memory and brain function in many ways. Well done Rhys.



FOAS Duck Race

Many thanks to everyone who donated to and attended the Duck Race on Saturday. Around £200 was raised and it was a lot of fun.

The winners were:

1st Thomas (Choughs)

2nd Mason (Lanyon)

3rd Ollie (Bodrifty)

A big thanks to Alex Rowe for organising everything.



FOAS Summer Fair

The FOAS Summer Fair is going to be held on 1st July and plans are underway to make this the biggest and most exciting event yet! We will again be running a plant stall and need plants to sell. If you are a budding Alan Titchmarsh, we would be very grateful for any plants you can donate. There are many other ways to get involved too - please pop into the office if you would like to find out more.



Go Active holiday camps

Sorry but as there was not enough interest in the holiday club at half term, it won't be running.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Robins	Summer	for being a superstar
Choughs	Elsa	for super attitude to learning
Puffins	Nat	for working hard on his map this week
Owls	Paul	for his hard work in Maths this week
Kingfishers	Brook	for always bringing in lovely homework
Trencrom	All	for their fantastic attitude, behaviour & resilience on camp
Lanyon	All	for their fantastic attitude, behaviour & resilience on camp
Kerris	All	for their fantastic attitude, behaviour & resilience on camp
Bodrift	Dylan	for his amazing information text - lots of interesting details & grammatical structure
Year 6	All	for their brilliant attitude towards their revision and their SATs tests
Dinnertime	Agnes	for always being very polite and well mannered



Twitter

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter @alvertonschool to keep up-to-date with all the exciting things that are going on.



CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Choughs	87.1%	11
Robins	93.3%	8
Puffins	98.2%	4
Owls	96.3%	5
Kingfishers	92.6%	9
Trencrom	91.0%	10
Lanyon	94.2%	7
Kerris	100%	1
Bodrift	98.6%	2
Bosigran	94.8%	6
Kenidjack	98.6%	2
Overall school attendance	95.1%	

Our collective target is 97.5%

DIARY DATES

May

25th & 26th School production of 'Annie' – please see flyer

May half term - Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June inclusive

June

- 6th All clubs continue as normal today after half term (except Drama & KS2 Annie choir)
- 6th Class photographs
- 7th New Reception Intake meeting for parents at 6.00pm
- 8th Swimming continues every Wednesday for Robins, Choughs and Year 5/6 group
- 10th Sharing assembly for Bosigran at 2.45pm
- 14th KS1 Sports Day at 1.30pm (29th June if wet)
- 16th EYFS Sports Day at 1.30pm (30th June if wet)
- 17th KS2 Sports Day at 1.30pm (27th June if wet)
- 21st Music Showcase at 6pm
- 23rd Alverton Mazey Parade at 9.30am
- 25th Mazey Day Parade – time of parade to be confirmed
- 30th Y6 Transition Day at Mounts Bay or Humphry Davy
- 30th All clubs finish today



Alverton Primary School proudly present



Performances at 6.30pm on
Wednesday 25th May and
Thursday 26th May

Tickets

£4.50 adult / £2.50 children over five

Please ask at the office if you have children
under five who would like to attend.

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