

Garden opening

Yesterday we officially opened our new Woodlands pre-school garden. There was much celebrating with tea and biscuits. A huge thank you goes to Daisy, our Outdoor Learning Co-ordinator who has been inspirational and has worked tirelessly with the staff and children to create another amazing outdoor space.



KS1 OUTDOOR AREA

As this area is set up for learning activities, we kindly ask that you do not allow your child to play here during the end of the school day.
Thank you for your support!



Staffing Update

As many of you know, Mrs Hanley is expecting a baby and will be starting her maternity leave at the end of the Summer Term. It is a very exciting time and we are looking forward to meeting Baby Hanley in due course. Next year, Mrs Hall, our Early Years Lead, will be teaching the Nursery Class and we have appointed Miss Kathy Hooton to teach in Reception alongside Mrs Daylak.

Summer term dates & year term dates

Please find attached the summer term dates showing what's on this term and the year term dates showing when the holidays and INSET days are for 2019-2020.

Online safety

Please see the next page with some excellent advice about 7 Questions to help you start a conversation about online safety. We will be publishing a different information page each week.



**National
Online
Safety**

7 questions to help you start a conversation with your child about online safety

#WakeUpWednesday

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Which apps/games are you using at the moment?

THIS WILL GIVE YOU A GOOD OVERVIEW OF THE TYPES OF THINGS YOUR CHILDREN ARE DOING ON THEIR DEVICES, ALONG WITH THEIR INTERESTS. REMEMBER THAT THEY MIGHT NOT TELL YOU EVERYTHING THEY ARE USING, SO IT IS A GOOD IDEA TO ASK THEM TO SHOW YOU THEIR DEVICE. BECAUSE NEW APPS AND GAMES ARE RELEASED REGULARLY, IT IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE THIS CONVERSATION OFTEN TO ENSURE YOU ARE UP TO DATE WITH WHAT THEY ARE DOING.

Which websites do you enjoy using and why?

AS IN THE TIP ABOVE, ASKING THIS QUESTION WILL ALLOW YOU TO FIND OUT WHAT YOUR CHILD IS DOING ONLINE, AND ENCOURAGE POSITIVE CONVERSATIONS ABOUT THEIR ONLINE ACTIVITY. ASK THEM HOW THEY USE THE WEBSITES, AND TAKE AN INTEREST IN HOW THEY CAN USE THEM IN A POSITIVE WAY. ALSO ASKING THEM TO SHOW YOU IF POSSIBLE.



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PLAY AGAIN?
YES NO

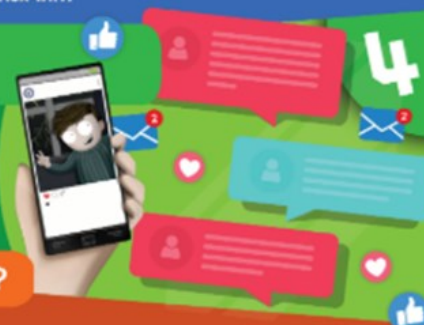
How does this game/app work?
Can I play?



SHOW A GENUINE INTEREST IN WHAT THEY ARE DOING. WHILST YOU ARE PLAYING A GAME OR USING AN APP WITH THEM, IT MIGHT HIGHLIGHT SOMETHING THAT THEY DON'T NECESSARILY THINK IS A DANGER TO THEM. IF THEY ACT LIKE THEY DON'T WANT TO SHARE THEIR ACTIVITIES WITH YOU, QUESTION WHY.

Do you have any online friends?

CHILDREN CAN FORM POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH PEOPLE ONLINE, AND THIS HAS BECOME MORE COMMON THANKS TO ONLINE MULTI-PLAYER OPTIONS, BUT THEY MAY NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A FRIEND AND A STRANGER. YOU COULD MAKE THE QUESTION MORE SPECIFIC TO YOUR CHILD. FOR EXAMPLE: "HAVE YOU MET ANYONE ONLINE THAT YOU LIKE TO PLAY GAMES WITH?" THEY MAY NOT WANT TO SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOU, SO ENSURE YOU TEACH THEM ABOUT HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS.



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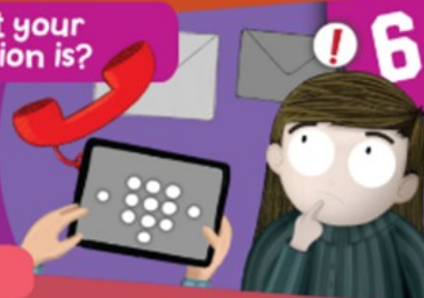


Do you know where to go for help?

ALTHOUGH YOU MAY BE THE ADULT THEY TRUST THE MOST, SOME CHILDREN STRUGGLE TO TALK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS ONLINE DUE TO CONFUSION OR EMBARRASSMENT. BECAUSE OF THIS THEY MAY STRUGGLE TO APPROACH THE NORMAL PEOPLE WHO WOULD HELP, SUCH AS YOURSELF OR A TEACHER. HAVE A CHAT TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT EXACTLY WHERE THEY CAN GO FOR HELP, AND HOW THEY CAN REPORT ANY ACTIVITY THAT THEY BELIEVE IS INAPPROPRIATE ONLINE.

Do you know what your personal information is?

YOUR CHILD MAY ALREADY KNOW WHAT THEIR PERSONAL INFORMATION IS BUT THEY MIGHT NOT THINK ABOUT HOW IT CAN BE SHARED. HAVE A CONVERSATION ABOUT WHAT PERSONAL INFORMATION IS AND HOW THIS CAN AFFECT THEM IF IT IS SHARED BEYOND THE INTENDED RECIPIENT. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOUR CHILD UNDERSTANDS THE DANGERS OF SHARING CONTACT DETAILS OR PHOTOS, AS INFORMATION SUCH AS THIS CAN SPREAD QUICKLY ONLINE.



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Do you know your limits?

CHILDREN MAY NOT UNDERSTAND THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS OF DEVICE OR GAME ADDICTION. TALK TO THEM OPENLY ABOUT HEALTHY HABITS AND ASK WHETHER OR NOT THEM SPENDING TIME ONLINE OR PLAYING A GAME IS AFFECTING THEIR SLEEP, PERFORMANCE AT SCHOOL OR IF THEY ARE GENERALLY LOSING INTEREST IN OTHER ACTIVITIES. YOU MAY LEAD ON TO ENCOURAGING ALTERNATIVE ACTIVITIES AND DISCUSSING THE INTRODUCTION OF TIME LIMITS WHEN AT HOME.



www.nationalonlinesafety.com

Twitter - @natonlinesafety

Facebook - /NationalOnlineSafety

Clubs

All clubs have now started and run until Friday 28th June. Some clubs only run for half a term so please check your child's club list carefully.

Some clubs have been heavily oversubscribed so if your child has a place but doesn't attend regularly, their place will be given to the next child on the waiting list.

Jump Dance club on Thursdays will start next Thursday 9th May.

Cancellations

KS1 Football is cancelled on **Thursday 9th May** as Mr Watson is on camp.

A-Z Sports club will be cancelled on **Friday 10th May** as Year 3 and 4 are on camp with Mrs Dennison.

All Fun Fit will be cancelled for 2 weeks from Monday 13th May and will not restart until after half term.

During SATs week (week beginning Monday 13th May) there will be NO Roller Skating Skills on **Wednesday 15th May**.

During the Show week (week beginning Monday 20th May) there will be NO Go Active Street Dance on Wednesday 22nd May or Jump Dance on **Thursday 23rd May**.

The last Drama Club will be on **Tuesday 14th May**.

PLEASE BUY
YOUR DUCKS
NOW!

FRIENDS OF ALVERTON SCHOOL

ANNUAL DUCK RACE

SATURDAY 11th MAY

AT WHERRYTOWN BOATING LAKE

To raise funds for the school we are holding another Duck Race again this year on Saturday 11th May starting at 11.00am. Please come and support us. Ducks are £1 each and can be 'bought' from the office. You will be allocated a number for each duck and there will be a board with all the numbers on at the duck race. Cash prizes for the winner and runners up. Refreshments available.



Alverton Primary School's production of

TICKETS
NOW ON
SALE!

Disney THE LITTLE MERMAID JR

Performances at 6.30pm on
Wednesday 22nd May 2019 and
Thursday 23rd May 2019

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.

Music by Alan Menkin

Lyrics by Howard Ashman and Glenn Slater

Book by Doug Wright

Based on the Hans Christian Anderson story and the Disney film.

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with
Music Theatre International (Europe)

All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI Europe

www.mtishows.co.uk



Dear Parents/Carers,

Once again it's time for the **Extreme Reading** competition at Alverton School! The aim is to take a photo of your child reading in the most unusual place or situation you can think of - the more extreme the better!

The competition is open to all pupils and the closing date is Friday 7th June. There will be a prize for the most Extreme Reader in each Key Stage!

Please e-mail your entries to
extremereading@alverton.cornwall.sch.uk

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Clive.

Extreme
reading



Year 5 camp meeting

There will be a meeting about the Year 5 camp to Porthpean in June on **Tuesday 7th May** at 3.30pm in Bodrifty classroom. There will be lots of information given out and a chance to ask any questions. Please come along if you can.

Payment for camp

A reminder that full payment for Year 5 camp (£150) must be made by **Friday 24th May** at the latest. Please pay using schoolmoney.co.uk or ask at the office for a PayPoint barcode which you can use at any Co-op store.

Need a chat?

Come and have a cup of tea with Mrs Daylak if you have any questions or concerns about anything which might be affecting your child in school. You can find her any Monday to Thursday after school until 4pm. If you would rather make an appointment, please ask the office. She might even find you a biscuit to go with your tea!



Don't forget....school will be closed on Bank Holiday Monday 6th May. See you on Tuesday 7th.



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	89.0%	10
Robins	95.5%	5
Puffins	88.3%	11
Owls	91.0%	9
Kingfishers	93.7%	8
Trencrom	96.1%	4
Lanyon	95.0%	7
Kerris	95.5%	5
Bodrifty	97.4%	2
Bosigran ★	98.3%	1
Kenidjack	96.3%	3
Overall school attendance	94.3%	

Our collective target is 96.5%

DIARY DATES

May

6th

Bank Holiday – School closed

7th

Yr 5 camp meeting at 3.30pm in Bodrifty classroom

9th-10th

Yr 3 & 4 camp at Bude

11th

FOAS Duck Race at Wherrytown Boating Pool – details to follow

13th-17th

SATs week for Y6 – some music lessons cancelled this week.

22nd

Swimming finishes for Year 2

22nd & 23rd

School production of 'The Little Mermaid' – tickets now on sale

Monday 27th – Friday 31st May – HALF TERM

June

3rd

All clubs continue as normal today after half term (except Drama)

4th

New Reception Intake meeting for parents at 6pm

5th

Swimming starts for Year 6

11th

KS2 Sports Day at 1.30pm

