

KS2 Carol Concert

Please don't forget to come along to our Carol Concert on **Tuesday 18th December** at the Chapel Street Methodist Chapel starting at 6.30pm. The children will need to arrive, in full school uniform (including ties), between 6.10pm and 6.20pm. Please do not arrive any earlier.

In order for us to have our final rehearsal at the church, we would like to ask you please **to arrange for your child to arrive at the church on the morning of Tuesday 18th December between 8.45am and 9am.** (If your child attends Breakfast Club on that day, they will be transported to the Chapel from school in the minibus). We will register the children at the church and walk them back to school in time for normal lunchtime arrangements. Please could any children who are playing their instruments bring them to school on Monday and to the church on Tuesday morning.

A letter has also been sent home to all KS2 children about arrangements.



Uniform reminder

Please remember that unless it is a non uniform day, we expect all the children to come into school in their correct uniform. For Year 1 to 6 this is as follows:

- **White** shirt (not polo shirt) and school tie
- **Red** school sweatshirts, V-necked jumpers or cardigans
- **Grey** trousers (or shorts in summer term)
- **Grey** skirts, pinafore dresses or culottes
- **Red checked** dresses (in summer term)
- **Plain white, black or grey** socks or **grey or red** tights

All items of clothing should be plain and free from logos etc, except any items incorporating the school badge.

Shoes:

- **Black shoes** (not boots) All shoes should have a low heel.
- Laces should be **plain black**.

Please note that all boots including ankle boots are not acceptable.

Reception children should wear a red polo shirt with no tie instead of a white shirt.

Staffing update

We are delighted to welcome Miss Emily Sturges to Alverton. Miss Sturges will be teaching in Puffins Class on Thursday afternoons and Fridays from the beginning of next term. Miss Sturges is an experienced Year 1 teacher and we are sure that she will be a great asset to Puffins and the Key Stage 1 team.

Notice of road closure - next week

We have been advised that due to essential tree works being carried out in the Alverton area, the road from Alverton Road to the A30 roundabout south of Castle Horneck will be closed from **Monday 17th to Friday 21st December daily from 9.30am to 4pm.** Please use an alternative route during those times.



Christmas lunch

A huge thank you to all our staff and the kitchen staff who prepared, cooked and served a delicious Christmas lunch to over 270 people. You did a fantastic job!



Menu change next week

Thursday 20th December

Instead of beef lasagne, there will be beef meatballs in tomato sauce with rice. The vegetarian option will still be red pepper frittata and jacket potatoes and sandwiches will also be available.

Wanted!

Next term our children will be planting in our school garden patches and we would be very grateful if anyone could donate small straw bales (preferably organic or unsprayed). If you are able to help, please let the office know. Thank you very much.



Payment of debts

Please could all debts for schools meals, breakfast club, nursery sessions etc. be paid by Wednesday at the latest. Thanks to all the parents who pay promptly - it is much appreciated. There are still a number of outstanding debts for swimming, M&M theatre production and other subsidised events held this term. Unfortunately without your support we may not be able to continue with some of these in the future.

Thank you

A huge thank you to all the parents, families and children who supported the Christmas Fair last Friday. We will let you know in next week's newsletter how much was raised. Our staff have also given up a lot of their time and energy to help prepare and we are very grateful to them. Particular thanks to Alex Rowe, Heather Weeks, Jane George and Anna Maddern, the FOAS team and all the parent volunteers who organised it so well. Thanks to Tamsin Woodhead and Simon Hinge for organising the Christmas cards.

The following businesses gave prizes for the raffle and we thank them so much for their support. Apologies to anyone who has been forgotten from this list:

Una Spa	Paradise Park
Flambards	Penzance Leisure Centre
The Full House	Lincoln Kirbybell
The Yacht Inn	The Tinnars Arms
Lavenders	Country Skittles
Frugi	Lighthouse Gallery
Merlin Cinemas	Rob's Jobs

The raffle was drawn today and congratulations to the prize winners. The top ten were:

Hamper - Freddie (Owls)	Full House voucher - Roxy (Lanyon)
Lincoln Kirbybell plate - Alex Rowe	Yoga & Spa - AJ Kernick
Tinnars Arms voucher - Mr Dawe	Frugi voucher - Kaiden (Trencrom)
Yacht Inn voucher - Hope (Owls)	Flambards voucher - Livia (Puffins)
Lavenders voucher - Thomas J (Lanyon)	Merlin cinema tickets - Fred (Kingfishers)

If you won a prize either your child will come home with it or you should have been contacted by FOAS to come and collect it.

A big thank you to all the parents, family, friends and staff members that donated prizes for the raffle, brought in a jar, toy or anything else, baked a cake or came along and spent some money.



Christmas charity collection

Our chosen charity this year for our retiring collections at all our Christmas performances is St Petrocs. This local charity helps hundreds of people a year who find themselves homeless and is working towards ending street homelessness in Cornwall.



Can we help you?

Mrs Daylak, who many of you know as she has been teaching our younger children for some time now, is available to meet any parents who might have questions or concerns about their child's attendance (including absences and holidays) or would simply like a chat about anything which might be affecting their child in school. She can be found in Robins classroom on Monday to Thursday after school until 4pm.



Reminder

School finishes for the Christmas holidays on **Thursday 20th December at 3.15pm** (normal time). The Spring term starts on **Monday 7th January 2019 at 9am.**



Twitter

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



Lost Property

The lost property box is overflowing again. If you are missing anything, please come in and check after school. We will be emptying the box next **Thursday 20th** and sending everything that is not named to the charity shop unless it is

Lost

Kayson in Lanyon has lost his entire PE kit. It is named. Please check and hand in if found.

CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Choughs	91.6%	10
Robins	98.8%	1
Puffins	86.8%	11
Owls	95.2%	2
Kingfishers	94.5%	5
Trencrom	95.0%	3
Lanyon	92.4%	9
Kerris	94.4%	6
Bodrifty	94.6%	4
Bosigran	94.0%	7
Kenidjack	92.8%	8
Overall school attendance	93.5%	

Our collective target is 96.5%

DIARY DATES

DECEMBER

18th KS2 concert at 6.30pm at the Chapel Street Methodist Church

20th SCHOOL CLOSSES at normal time 3.15pm

The spring term begins on Monday 7th January 2019



Eat Well

For Less?

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Is the cost of your weekly food shop spiralling out of control?

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