



Allfarthing Newsletter – Friday 5th July

From our Headteacher, Tom Holmes

Dear Parents,

This will be the penultimate newsletter of the year with the last one released on Monday 22nd July.

Thank you to all those who gave up their time for the summer fair, particularly those in the committee who organised the events. The latest total with updates to come is £5,500. We look forward to the PTA BBQ on Friday 19th July at 5.30pm after the school sports day.

The Art exhibition has had incredibly positive feedback this year; thank you to all the staff for organising their classes and Miss Holroyd for coordinating the 'mindfulness' theme.

Thank you also to all the staff who gave up their time for the Y6 residential trip to PGL Osmington bay, Dorset. Twitter was awash with photos of the children having a great time taking part in a range of activities both on land and water.

We have moving up morning on Monday 8th July. The children will spend the morning with their new teachers. Children will need to line up in the correct playground for 2019-20 in front of their class sign so that everyone knows where they will be going.

From September 2019 all children except reception will be entering the school in the morning through the two front doors in the KS1 playground. So no one will be going around to the KS2 playground before school. We will provide further guidance nearer the time for which doors each class should enter. We will continue with the soft opening between 8.50-9.00am and the front school gates opening at 8.45am.

The Allfarthing secondary transfer meeting was well attended by a range of parents from different year groups. A ParentMail was sent yesterday reminding parents the links are on the school website under the parents tab.

Have a good weekend

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Reports

You will have seen lots in the press recently about teacher workload, work/life balance and people leaving the profession. Ever since I joined Allfarthing we have taken this seriously and have implemented a number of aspects, ensuring our actions have a positive effect on the children's education and not just doing things for the sake of it.

We have had a long discussion in the leadership team (there are eight of us) about the school reports and whether they could be briefer, whilst still giving parents the necessary information. You will therefore see a slightly different format this year that we believe meets all the aims of what you would want to know, whilst cutting back in some of the administration that goes into reports.

The reports will come home with the children on Friday 12th July.

There is also the opportunity for parents to come into school to look through their child's books on Tuesday 16th July from 3.30-5pm. Whilst the teachers will be in their classroom, please do not take the opportunity to raise any concerns; if you wish to make an appointment, please follow the

usual channels.

Staffing

We thank Ms Glynn-Jones for her work as SENCO at the school over the past three years as she relocates out of London. She is also going to continue with her studies by doing a further course in dyslexia.

Miss Ritchie is also moving on to Sullivan Primary School and we thank her for all her care over the last two years in Year 1.

We will also see three name changes for September. Miss Jenkins, who got married at Christmas, will become Mrs Childs. Two weddings happening over the summer will see Miss Drepaal become Mrs D'Souza and Miss Shanahan become Mrs Seggins. Congratulations in advance for the upcoming weddings.

Mrs Deyo had her baby boy Idris and Miss Potter who has been covering Mrs Deyo's maternity leave in Year 1 as a teacher assistant will remain at the school next year.

Attached are the classes for next year, with moving up morning coming up on Monday.

Sports Day Friday 19th July

Please see below for some key points.

- Children may come to school wearing their PE kit. T-shirts should be in their house colour or plain white and we will use coloured tape to identify their house.
- Children need to ensure they are wearing the correct footwear. This should not be formal school shoes.
- KS1 Sports day will start at 9.30am and be finished at approx 11am.
- KS2 sports day will start at 1.20pm and be finished by 3pm. All KS2 children are to come back to school and be collected as usual at 3.30pm.
- The event is on Wandsworth Common; the part of the common nearest the school- under the underpass of Trinity Road, on the other side of the trees.
- Parents are asked not to come over to where the children are seated. It provides safeguarding issues and does not help with the running of the events.
- All children will do at least 2 individual events and a class relay. KS2 sports day will also have a sprint challenge with the fastest 8 boys and fastest 8 girls from each year group competing against each other for medals.
- Please ensure your child has a water bottle and a sun hat. KS1 children should have sun cream applied before they come to school. Just on this day KS2 children may bring a small sun cream to reapply in the classroom before lunch and going up to Wandsworth common.
- In all events children are competing for points for their house.
- In the event of bad weather we will attempt to run it on Monday 22nd July.

Finally, we look forward to the PTA BBQ on the same day starting at 5.30pm.

End of Term Music Concerts

We have a range of music concerts prior to the end of term. Parents of those children involved have already been notified, but members of the wider school community are welcome to attend.

Guitar concert: Wednesday 10th July at 2.30pm

Wind Band: Wednesday 10th July at 3.45pm

Chamber choir: Wednesday 17th July at 8.20am and then in playground from 8.45am

Drums: Thursday 18th July at 2.30pm

School Trips

Year 6 PGL

Our year 6 children spent last week on school journey down at the PGL site in Osmington Bay. They were very lucky with the glorious weather and they had an amazing week full of activities, great food, and so much of it too, with the week then culminating with a disco on the last night. Here are some quotes from the children:

"I really enjoyed PGL - It was so much fun. We got to spend time with loads of other friends in both classes. There were lots of different activities and some were really scary. When you did the scary ones you felt so good afterwards, like you had achieved something." - Sofia

"PGL was really good. I really enjoyed myself and learned new things. When I was scared of something I learned to just do it! It made me feel really happy and proud of myself!" - Annaelle

"PGL was great fun. My favourite part was raft-building because we got wet and it was fun building the raft! I'm also very proud of myself for taking on the giant swing!" - Mikolaj

School Council to Parliament

After Marsha Da Cordova (the local MP) visited the school earlier in the term she offered a reciprocal visit. Therefore the school council were given the opportunity to visit Parliament on Tuesday of this week. Mr Heale accompanied them on their tour of the site.

Anna, 4B - "It was really interesting to learn new things and to see lots of famous history. I enjoyed going where the queen and politicians have been for major events."

Max, 5C - "It was really fun to see how Teresa May and MP's work every day. It was interesting to find out that Michael Jackson had tried to buy the throne in the House of Lords for £30 million."

Battle of the Books

A group of year 4 children took part in the 'Battle of the Books' competition showing their amazing knowledge of the books we have read in preparation for the final competition. Here are some quotes from the children:

"It was such fun and we got to read lots of different books. I really enjoyed the competition." - Max
"We learnt lots of new words while we read books and it was great that we won the art competition." - Dora

Sporting Events

Friendly football match against Honeywell

A group of Y3/4 children got the opportunity to play in a friendly football match on Thursday against Honeywell. 17 children got the chance to represent the school. Well done for the team togetherness, spirit and determination.

Chess Tournament

A range of children from years 3 to 6 got to take part in a competitive chess tournament through our chess programme organisation. Many of the team competed against children older than them but acquitted themselves incredibly well.

Holiday Clubs

Tennis

FREE tennis for all ages and abilities on Sunday 7th June for the open day at Wimbledon Park in partnership with LTA and AELTC-special guests Judy Murray, Leon Smith and Anne Keovathong.

Click on the link below to booking coaching sessions. <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/Events/WimbledonPark/48fdcbc9-9d53-4346-9761-672cd25c6302>

Drama

Sarah Flind is running a holiday drama club from Monday 29th July to Friday 2nd August. The cost of the club is £25/day and will run from 9.30am – 3.30pm. The children will enjoy a range of drama activities: improvisation, script work, mask making and games. Leaflets available in reception should you wish to find out more information.

Sport

Mr V (Amit) will be running his sports club during the summer holidays. Please see Alex in reception for copies of his flyer. Due to demand the club will be running on Wednesday 24th July to Friday 26th July as well as the two full weeks after.

Community & School Events

EID Coffee Morning

Thank you to everyone who attended the Eid coffee morning. We raised £85.88 and are really pleased that all money goes to Sudanese emergency, penny appeal charity.

Last 2 week's totals/running totals	KS1		KS2	
Barmouth	202	5759	290	6203
Swanage	254	5311	212	5206
Rosehill	268	5921	277	5504
Westover	255	5981	254	5229

2018-2019 Academic Year – Summer Term	
Fri 12 th July	Nursery Sports Day 9-11am KS2 playground Reception trip to the Wetlands Centre in Barnes School reports sent home
Fri 19 th July	Sports Day – Wandsworth Common PTA BBQ – 5.30pm
Tues 23 rd July	End of year – <i>children finish at 1.30pm</i>
2019-2020 Academic Year – Autumn Term	
Mon 2 nd Sept	INSET Day – staff only
Tues 3 rd Sept	INSET Day – staff only
Wed 4 th Sept	Children back start of the new school year
Thurs 19 th Sept	Year 6 Wandsworth Tests
Fri 20 th Sept	Year 3 to Butser Farm
Mon 23 rd – Fri 27 th Sept	Year 6 on school journey
Fri 18 th Oct	Break for half term
Mon 28 th Oct	INSET Day – staff only
Tues 29 th Oct	Children back

Results based on last 2 school weeks	% Attendance YTD* 95.5% – School YTD target 97%			No. of Lates		
Reception	Ladybird 93.6%	Bumblebee 91.3%		Ladybird 10	Bumblebee 2	
Year 1	Hedgehog 90.9%	Squirrel 98% 		Hedgehog 12	Squirrel 10	
Year 2	Seahorse 97.4%	Dolphin 96.3%		Seahorse 7	Dolphin 14	
Year 3	3F 97.4%	3B 97.9%	3KB 94.1%	3F 9	3B 4	3KB 10
Year 4	4B 97.6%		4G 94.6%	4B 5		4G 12
Year 5	5M 96.1%		5C 95.3%	5M 5		5C 9
Year 6	6D 95.9%	6H 98% 		6D 8	6H 9	