



Newsletter

ALDERBURY AND WEST GRIMSTEAD CE VA SCHOOL

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Dear Parents, Carers, Staff, Governors and children,

Another busy term has passed full of learning, trips, sporting events and experiences for your child and we still have the Easter Eggstravaganza ahead of us! This is the last Newsletter of this term as Thursday 6th April is our last day in school (Friday 7th April is a Teacher Training Day). Please join us for our Easter Service and the Eggstravaganza (details below) and I hope you have a wonderful Easter break. We look forward to seeing you all when we return on Monday 24th April.

Change of menu for next week and new menus for the Summer Term

Please be aware that there will be a change to the published menu next Thursday 6th April. Instead of roast beef it will be Roast Chicken and Sausage or Quorn Fillet and Vegetarian Sausage with Easter Biscuits for pudding.

Please also find in book bags today the new HC3S menu effective when we return to school on Monday 24th April. Do note that Year 6 will be offered a picnic lunch option (to eat outside when the weather is fine) and that jacket potatoes are not available in the summer term.

Recent increase in cases of Scarlet Fever and Chicken Pox

Please see attached a letter from Wiltshire Council regarding advice about Scarlet Fever and Chicken Pox.

Good Friday Gang 'Big Hero Jesus'

Application forms are going home with children in Years R, 1 and 2 about the Good Friday Gang at St Mary's Church on Friday 14th April, however, it is open to all children right through to Year 6. If your child is in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 and they would like to take part please see Mrs Agland for an application form.

Laverstock Netball and Football Tournaments

Our Year 5 and 6 Netballers: MB, EF, JK, CW, GT, WL, LH, RJ and OS performed very well and were semi-finalists achieving 3rd place overall. Mrs Hill was extremely proud of her team who behaved impeccably. A big thank you to all our parents who drove children to the event and a special thank you to Mrs Barter and Mrs Love for staying and supporting.

Well done to our Year 4 Football team: AH, ST, SM, CM, TF, OC, NO, HS and AK for winning League 3 and making it to the semi-final. Mrs Whaley was very impressed with the team's skills and would like to say thank you to the parents who drove and a big thank you to Mr Compton and Mrs Sims who stayed to support.

Year 6 football – well done to SW, BR, MS, KS, MC, BR, EH, NP and NN for representing the school so well. These boys also did very well, winning their group with 5 victories (4-0 Stratford-sub-castle, 9-0 Longford, 2-0 Old Sarum, 2-0 Woodlands, 2-0 Pitton). Sadly, we lost to St Andrews in the Semi-final (1-2). Goal scorers, if Mr Beveridge counted accurately during the excitement: N (8), M (6) N (5) K (1) WELL DONE EVERYONE!

Alderbury FC Easter Soccer School

Attached to the Newsletter today is a flyer giving details of Alderbury FC's Easter Soccer School on Thursday 20th and Friday 21st April. Information about booking is on the flyer.

Apologies to Mr Seaton and correction to his website

Please note that Mr Alexander Seaton's Handmade luxury chocolate 'Alexander Chocolate' website that is detailed on our Easter Eggstravaganza flyers should read www.alexanderchocolate.co.uk. A big thank you to Mr Seaton for the delicious chocolate he is preparing for the Grand Raffle taking place on Thursday 6th April.

Parent consultations for Year 1, 5 and 6 – Monday 3rd April 1:30-7:00pm

There are still appointments available, sign-up sheets in the school hall or contact Mrs Agland.

Easter Celebration - Worship Service

Wednesday 5th April at 9:15am - all welcome. This is held in the school hall.

Easter Eggstravaganza – Thursday 6th April 9:30-11:30 am in the school hall

We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at this very special event. KS2 have their Easter bonnet parade and boiled egg display 9:30-10:15 am with the KS1 Easter bonnet parade and egg display at 10:30-11:15 am. The boiled egg theme this year is 'Music'. Please see more information from FAWGS below about the Grand Raffle and prizes.

FAWGS News

Firstly, a huge 'thank you' to all of you who supported our daffodils for Mother's Day fundraising efforts. I'm told there may still be a few remaining at the local shop, if you'd still like to make someone smile/recoup Brownie Points for forgetting last week!

Hopefully, you haven't forgotten the **school disco**, which is being held **this evening**. Here's a reminder of the details, just in case:

- Key Stage 1 children in years **R, 1 & 2** are welcome to attend **6:00-7:00pm**.
- Key Stage 2 children in **year 3 upwards** are welcome to attend **7:15-8:30pm**.

Entry is **£2 per child**; this includes cups of squash/water and a bag of sweets.

There is no theme - just dress for dancing. As usual there will be a tuck shop selling drinks, crisps, bags of sweets and glow sticks, so don't forget to accessorise your outfit with the appropriate **purse/wallet**.

Thank you in advance to **Rachel Hodges** and her merry band of staff/parent helpers for making this event happen!

Next week we're looking forward to AWGS **Easter Eggstravaganza** on Thursday 6th April. We hope you'll be there to see your children in the Easter Bonnet Parade and to marvel at the boiled egg display! If you have any funds left over after treating mum last week, do bring them along, as we'll be holding a **Grand Raffle**. You could be in with a chance to win a beautiful spring bouquet, a scrumptious Easter cake, stunning luxury egg and/or mouth-watering selection of chocolates by 'Alexander Chocolate'.

Tickets are selling fast for our Ladies **Pamper Evening** (Friday 19th May). Fantastic stalls, demos and goodie bags will await you, along with a complementary welcome drink and the chance to book a bargain treatment. Please see Kate Macklin or enquire at the office to purchase your tickets ASAP!

Our next **committee meeting** is next **Wednesday 26th April, 7.30pm at school**. All welcome!

Any ideas or queries can be directed to: fawgs.committee@gmail.com In the meantime, don't forget to check out easyfundraising.org.uk and the Book People:

www.thebookpeople.co.uk/school-fundraising and enter our unique fundraising code: **agf7YfN** for great offers for you and commission for us! Thank you!

Duggie Dug Dug

We are excited to have been able to invite 'Duggie Dug Dug' (Doug Horley) to entertain us with his 'crazy science party' show today. As if the day wasn't exciting enough with non-uniform, Laverstock sports morning and evening Discos, the children have spent the afternoon in the school hall learning action songs, being introduced to fun puppets, seeing mind blowing science experiments and generally having a good time. ***This event has been made possible by the FAWGS Helping Hands Project in combination with a kind donation by The Boundary Coffee Shop. Thank you.***

Alderbury Carousel 'Easter Event' - Saturday 1st April 1:30-5 pm

Easter-themed Alderbury village footpath walk, treasure hunt and cream tea!

Guided group walks start at Alderbury Village Hall at: 1:30pm, 2:00pm or 2:30pm (please arrive 10 minutes early to buy tickets). Treasure trail entry sheet 50p – each completed sheet earns a small Easter egg and activity sheet. Teas on return: Cream Teas £3 per adult and Squash and Fairy Cake for children £1. *Please support this community event organised by Alderbury Carousel Committee.*

Diary Dates – new dates underlined>

April

Friday 31st School Disco (EY/KS1 6:00-7:00 pm, KS2 7:15-8:30 pm)
Saturday 1st Alderbury Village Walk, Hunt and Cream tea!
Monday 3rd Parents' consultations for Y1, Y5 and Y6 1:30-7:00pm
Tuesday 4th YR/1/2 to Salisbury Cathedral "Walking in Jesus' Footsteps"
Wednesday 5th 9:15 Whole school Easter celebration, worship service in school hall
Thursday 6th 9:30-11:30 am Easter Eggstravaganza to include bonnet parade and boiled egg fun –see flyer
Friday 7th TD Day – school closed
EASTER HOLIDAYS – School starts back Monday 24th April.
Wed 26th 7:30pm FAWGS committee meeting at school

May

Monday 1st May BANK HOLIDAY – School closed
Friday 5th May Open library 3:15-3:45 (come and change books with your child)
Saturday 6th May Jumble Sale in the Village Hall
MONDAY 8th MAY-FRIDAY 12th MAY YEAR 6 SATS WEEK
Monday 15th May-Friday 26th May Year 2 SATs 'window'
Saturday 20th May Mini-Marathon 9:00-12:00

June

Monday 5th June-Wednesday 7th June Year 6 residential to Braeside
Monday 12th June-Friday 16th June Year 1 phonics screener 'window'
Sunday 11th June Scavenger Hunt
Monday 26th June School closed (TD DAY)
Friday 30th June School Disco

July

Saturday 15th July Summer Fete

Paul Beveridge
Head Teacher