



# Alderbury & West Grimstead Church of England (Aided) Primary School

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## NEWSLETTER NO. 25

Dear Parents, Staff and Governors

### SCHOOL NEWS:

Welcome back after, what I hope, was an enjoyable and relaxing break for you all. The children have returned raring to go and ready to work hard! I am sure you have all noticed our new playground markings and perhaps followed the footprints and jumped on the hopscotch! As the weather improves please ensure you send your child in with a hat and sun cream applied plus a coat, of course, for those rainy days.



#### Parking

Thank you to all our parents, grandparents etc who park safely on Firs Road and consider our neighbours. A reminder to park on the wooded side of Firs Road to avoid double parking which makes it very difficult for coaches or emergency vehicles to gain access, should they need to. Please also do not park in the staff car park when dropping off or collecting. Thank you for your support.



#### New and exciting lunch time club!

Are you a budding writer, fizzing with creativity? We have a new club for you! MH, (English Prefect), and EH, (Head Boy), who are both talented writers, have offered to run a Writing Club on Thursday lunchtimes from 12:00-12:30 pm. All you need is a pencil or a pen and your brain - and enough energy to walk all the way down the corridor to the Year 6 classroom. M would love the club members to enter lots of writing competitions, via the excellent website: [www.schoolreadinglist.co.uk/competitions-for-children](http://www.schoolreadinglist.co.uk/competitions-for-children)

However, if you'd prefer just to write for pleasure, or create an extended piece of writing with chapters, that's brilliant too. Mrs Gill will be in the room, but she promises that M and E are in charge! There are twelve places available to Key Stage 2 children, please let Mrs Agland know if you are interested.

#### Year 1 to Bournemouth Oceanarium

Our Elephants' class visited Bournemouth Oceanarium yesterday and had a wonderful day visiting the exciting creatures found there. Apart from the animals and fish they saw, they handled a shark's jaw and felt its teeth, held shark skin and a turtle's shell and, very exciting indeed, they watched the penguins being fed! There were many compliments from other visitors to the Oceanarium about how beautifully behaved the children were. A big thank you to Mrs Linton, Mrs Sloan, Mrs Usha and Mrs Wood for giving up their time to accompany the children with Mrs Hill and Mrs Smith.



#### Autism Awareness showcase

Please see the attached flyer regarding an Autism Awareness Showcase at The Guildhall, Salisbury on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2019 for children and adults on the Autistic Spectrum.

## FAWGS NEWS:

Don't forget the Quiz Night on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 7:30 pm. Book your team or if individually interested please speak to one of us as I'm sure a team can be put together. Please contact Rebecca Thorpe, Rachel Hodges, Mel Sturgess-Bullock or the school office. Tickets are priced at £7.50 per person which includes a cheese board and the Bar will be available to buy drinks.

Scavenger Hunt - Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June (donations of cakes for the cafe for treats after the walk will be much appreciated nearer the time).

Summer Fete - Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July. We urgently need raffle prizes. Can you spare any unwanted gifts, can your business offer a prize (either service, voucher, discount etc)? If so, please grab one of the FAWGS team in the playground or pass your details to the school office.

**Please support the school, so we can continue to provide some extra funds for the fun things.**

## COMMUNITY NEWS:

### Vacancy for Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

Alderbury Parish Council is seeking an organised, forward thinking and adaptable individual to work as Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer (RFO). The Clerk will be responsible for all aspects of finance and administration of the Parish Council, and will be required to provide statutory advice and implement decisions across the complete range of the Council's activities. The position is part time and home based. The salary is in accordance with the current National Joint Salary Scale LC1, salary points 7 to 17 (new scale points) (£19,554-£23,836 pa) and is calculated pro rata for an equivalent of 20 hours per week (0.54 FTE). This post provides an excellent opportunity to make a significant contribution to the life of an active community. If you believe that you are the person we are looking for, please contact us by emailing Elaine Hartford (Chair, Alderbury Parish Council) at [elaine.hartford@alderburyparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:elaine.hartford@alderburyparishcouncil.gov.uk) to request an Application Pack (includes the Job Description, Person Specification, Equality & Diversity Monitoring form, Information Pack and Job Application form). The closing date for applications is 28<sup>th</sup> April 2019 with interviews being held on the evening of either the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> May.

### Diary Dates – new dates underlined

#### May

<u>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup></u>	<u>Rescheduled Years 3/4 &amp; 5/6 Cross Country at The Trafalgar – invited children only</u>
<u>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup></u>	<u>am Year 5 to The Trafalgar School</u>
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	FAWGS Quiz Night
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 SATs Week
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Mini-marathon for KS2 only
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 31 <sup>st</sup>	May half term holiday

#### June

Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup>	FAWGS Scavenger Hunt
<u>Friday 14<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>3<sup>rd</sup> Orienteering event at Vernditch Year 5 - letter to follow</u>
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	TD Day

#### July

Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup>	FAWGS Summer Fete
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Reserve Sports Day
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Years 4-6 Performance at the Studio Theatre – more details to follow pm Year 6 Leavers' Worship LAST DAY OF TERM

Best wishes  
Mr Thorpe  
Headteacher