

# Aldermaston CE Primary School Newsletter

## Summer Term 1 2021 No. 3



Dear Parents and Carers

I think the sunshine has arrived at last, and just in time for the children's half term break!

### Aldermaston School Cross Country Championships

The drier weather was perfect for our whole school cross country event which was held yesterday. As you can see from the photos, we had a wonderful time. Every child took part in this inter-house competition and the distances ranged from 0.5km for our youngest participants to 3km for Year 6 children. It was great to see everyone rising to the challenge, persevering to finish their run and celebrating their friends' achievements.

Year 6 demonstrated inspiring leadership skills throughout this event. Each bubble ran separately and the older children were careful to maintain appropriate distance. They marshalled the course and ran alongside younger children as guides and supporters. Particular thanks to Mrs Hatton for her time in setting up this brilliant event.

Every child received a certificate for completing the course. The top boy and girl in each class received a 'gold' class champion certificate and their names will be entered into our sporting Hall of Fame.

Class	Champions
Wrens Class	Zoe and Jacob L
Robins Class	Sam and Evie
Owls Class	Rocky and Verity
Kingfishers Class	Eloise and William
Starlings Class	Bertie and Mieke



### Manager Learning Heroes for Summer Term (1)

Congratulations to our Manager Class Heroes for this term. You have shown yourselves to be organised and ready, welcoming of challenge, responsible and able to use resources well. We're very proud of your achievements.

<b>Wrens</b>	Connie	<b>Owls</b>	Ella
<b>Robins</b>	Rowan	<b>Kingfishers</b>	Arabella
		<b>Starlings</b>	Emily



### Half term holiday Covid-19 Procedures

As with previous holiday periods during the pandemic, we will be monitoring positive cases in the school community in case we're needed to assist with identifying contacts. We're very grateful for your help with this.

If your child develops

- A high temperature
- A new and persistent cough
- A loss of taste or sense of smell

on **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> May** or **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May**, you will need to follow government guidance on household isolation, book a PCR test and notify school using our [enquiries@aldermaston.w-berks.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@aldermaston.w-berks.sch.uk) address. Please then let school

know the outcome of your test using the same address. In the case of a positive result, we will notify close contacts of isolation requirements by telephone.

Please note, if someone has symptoms, they must book a PCR test – lateral flow tests are not sufficient.

### **Rainforest Visit**

To tie in with their current geography topic, Year 3 and 4 had a very enjoyable visit to the Living Rainforest. They took part in guided tours and had time to explore on their own to find out more about the plants and animals that live in this habitat. Thank you to Miss Hawes and all the staff and volunteers who supported this trip.



Wishing you a wonderful Bank Holiday weekend and a super half term break for the children. We will look forward to seeing them back in school on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

M. Higgs

**Mrs M Higgs**  
**Headteacher**

### **Covid 19 - Staying Safe**

It's important that we continue to keep our community safe from Covid 19. DfE advice to schools has not changed and we are required to continue with our current safety arrangements.

When on our school site, please remember to:-

Wear face coverings (unless you are exempt)

Keep a safe distance from others on the school site and supervise children carefully

For the time being, we are asking children not to bring unnecessary items in from home.

### **Contact Us:-**

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Text: 0118 324 0216

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Website: [www.aldermaston.org.uk](http://www.aldermaston.org.uk)



### **REMINDER**

Please remember that the girls gingham dresses should be **Navy Blue**. Thank you

# School News



## Book Fair

We will be holding a book fair in school this year, however, it will be slightly different to normal. We will open the book fair to individual classrooms on a daily basis—each class has been allocated a day from Tuesday, 8th June to Monday, 14th June. The following days have been allocated to each class:-

Wrens	Wednesday 9/6	Owls	Tuesday 8/6
Robins	Monday 14/6	Kingfishers	Friday 11/6
		Starlings	Thursday 10/6

Please find included within your email two leaflets of details of books and stationary available from the book fair. If your child would like to buy anything, please either complete your payment online as per the details on the order form and send the order form completed with your payment reference into school, or alternatively send them in with the correct cash giving details of the book(s) they would like and the amount enclosed in the envelope.

The book fair is a good way of the school receiving funding towards purchasing new books for our libraries and guided reading sessions. We hope you will support the fair this year—the first we have been able to run since early March last year. Thank you.

## Art

The Starlings have been improving their understanding of perspective and vanishing points having encountered some difficulties while attempting to represent water in art. **Perseverance** paid off. We wanted to share the excellent progress made. Examples from: Tolga, Emily, Aniya, Eliza and Rosa.



## PTA NEWS

Please see the poster at the back of this newsletter regarding the next fundraising clothing collection which is on 22nd June.



**Wrens**



Amelie - Teacher



Nelly - The Queen



Margot – Captain Tom

**Robins**



Edith - Nurse



Kailesh – Marcus Rashford



Zoe – Teacher

**Owls**



Joshua – Captain Tom



Toby - Police



Verity – Nurse

**Kingfishers**



Jasmin – Delivery Drivers



Ryan - Scientists



William – Joe Wicks

**Starlings**



Dylan – My Country



Isabella - NHS



Lola-May – Captain Tom

The children have designed some amazing stamps for the Royal Mail competition.

We thought of all the heroes we are so thankful for; those who have helped our community over this difficult year.

We considered some well-known heroes, our fabulous key workers and even our pets.

Here are some of our favourite designs from each class.

Well done everybody. Good luck!

Mrs McGourty

# Raise funds by collecting reusable clothes



## WE ACCEPT CLEAN, GOOD QUALITY, DRY, REUSABLE CLOTHING

- Adults, Childrens & Babies Clothing
- Jewellery and Accessories
- Paired Shoes and Footwear
- Belts and Handbags

A full list of reusable items is listed on our website  
[www.rags2riches4schools.co.uk](http://www.rags2riches4schools.co.uk)

## WE DO NOT ACCEPT

- POOR QUALITY ITEMS SUCH AS DIRTY, WET, RIPPED OR SOILED CLOTHES.
- PILLOWS, DUVETS, CURTAINS, BOOKS CDS OR ANY UNIFORM

If you are unsure what to put in the bags  
**STOP AND THINK**  
WOULD YOU WEAR IT?

Please don't put bags in the bike shed until 14<sup>th</sup> June, thank you.

All items to be put in sealed/knotted charity bags, bin bags or carrier bags please.

# 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2021

Please remember, no uniform in the collection bags

