



Alfriston School

Fair, friendly, fulfilling and fun!

Newsletter - 11th October 2018

This Week's Attendance

Pearl Class	Amber
Ruby Class	Amber
Sapphire Class	Amber
Emerald Class	Red

Green = 98% to 100%

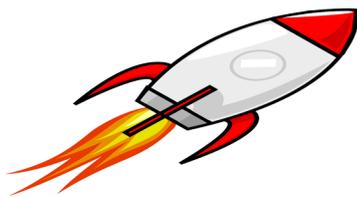
Amber = 96% to 98%

Red = Below 96%

Unfortunately attendance wasn't great last week across the school. Let's hope that it can return to 'green' before the October break.

Learning Presentations

Sapphire and Emerald Classes will be having an open session next Friday afternoon, 19th October. Emerald Class are looking forward to showing parents and carers their egg throwing from 2.15pm and Sapphire Class will be having an exhibition of their Home Learning from 2.45pm. We hope that as many of you as possible will be able to join us to share in the work that the children have been doing this term.



Reminders

Star of the Week - when children are awarded Star of the Week, please note that the badges are given to them for that week only and should then be returned to their teacher or the school office by first thing Friday morning. We are running short of badges, so we would appreciate it if any badges could be returned. Thank you.

Photos - today we have sent home with the children their school photos. If you wish to place an order, please return the form to the school office by the end of next Thursday, 18th October, to ensure you miss the late order fee.

World Mental Health Day

We marked World Mental Health Day on Wednesday by Mrs Hudson giving an assembly to the whole school where the children were shown a video about mental health and later, within their individual classes, the children did work about feelings including how important it is to talk about their feelings and for an adult to listen to them when they do this.

The Anna Freud National Centre for Children & Families produces a useful leaflet titled 'You're Never Too Young to Talk Mental Health' which is available by visiting www.annafreud.org/media/7228/tmh-parent-leaflet-final-all-approved-laid-out-for-web.pdf



NSPCC
Cruelty to children must stop. FULL STOP.

Sally from the NSPCC visited us today to deliver their SPEAK OUT. STAY SAFE assemblies to the children. To support the NSPCC, the children will be taking part in some fun sponsored activities in their PE lessons. Please ask your child what they have been doing! If you would like to sponsor your child/ children, please return their sponsor form & money to school by Thursday 1st November.

What's coming up next week.....

- Mon 15th October Fire Engine Visiting Pearl Class
- Fri 19th October Last Day of Term
- Fri 19th October Mufti Day
- Fri 19th October Astronomer Jane Green Visiting Emerald Class
- Fri 19th October Sapphire & Emerald Classes Home Learning Exhibition

E Safety tip from the NSPCC: check your connections are safe

It's important that your internet router is secure. Most internet service providers have security features, so you may want to consider switching these to safe mode. If the device has Bluetooth, set it to 'undiscoverable', otherwise you may unintentionally share data or allow hackers to take control of the device.

You'll find lots more information on the NSPCC website – or give the NSPCC a call on **0808 800 5002** to chat to one of their expert advisors.

Xmas Card Competition

Our local MP, Maria Caulfield, is inviting children from her constituency to design a Christmas card on the theme 'Favourite Christmas Songs' where the winning entry, and 4 runners up, will feature on her Christmas card that will be sent to constituents, Ministers and the Prime Minister. The winner will also be invited to attend the House of Commons. All participants will receive a certificate. Entries close on 18th October & need to be sent to Maria Caulfield MP, House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA.

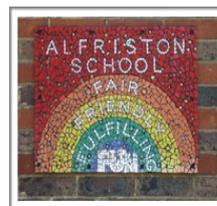


Dates for your Diary

New dates are in bold:

Mon 29th October	Children Return to School
Mon 29th October	Football Match
Thurs 1st November	Football Tournament
Fri 2nd November	FoAS Meeting
Tues 6th November	House Talent Show
Tues 6th November	Parent Consultations
Thurs 8th November	Parent Consultations
12th–16th November	Friendship Week
Tues 11th December	Nativity Play (morning)
Wed 12th December	Nativity Play (afternoon)
Wed 19th December	Last Day of Term
Thurs 3rd January	INSET Day
Fri 4th January	INSET Day

Friends of Alfriston School



Mufti Day - next Friday, 19th October, we will be having a mufti day where children can come to school in non-school uniform in exchange for contributions for the Christmas jar stall. Ideas of things to bring in include individually wrapped sweets and chocolates, stickers, hairbands; basically things that you might find in a goody bag or party bag.

Halloween Disco - this will be held on Friday 2nd November from 6pm - 7.30pm in the school hall. Tickets are now available to purchase from the school office at £3 each

100 Club - The next draw will take place on Friday 19th October. It's not too late to join in for the rest of this academic year if anyone else would like to as there are still some numbers available, at a cost of £11. Please see Eleanor Farror in the playground or leave a message at the school office.

Meeting - our next meeting will take place on Friday 2nd November at 8.45am in the school library. All are welcome; please come along.

Invictus Games

We are celebrating the Invictus Games with the children & educating them about the event & we are thrilled to be cheering on Bella's Dad, Dan, who is taking part in the Games, which start on 20th October in Sydney, Australia. The Invictus Games are an international adaptive multi-sport event, created by Prince Harry, in which wounded, injured or sick armed services personnel take part in sport. Dan will be competing in handcycling, indoor rowing, powerlifting & archery. We wish him lots of luck. You can see a video Bremont made while Dan was archery training at <https://youtu.be/lpBW0Fdftd0>

