

# Alfriston School

## Fair, friendly, fulfilling and fun!

### Newsletter - 31st January 2019

#### Last Week's Attendance

Pearl Class	
Ruby Class	
Sapphire Class	
Emerald Class	

Green = 98% to 100% Amber = 96% to 98%

Red = Below 96%

#### <u>Reminders</u>

<u>Parent Forum</u> - this will take place on Thursday 7th February from 9am - 9.45am in the school hall. Please return the reply form by 9am on Tuesday if you wish to attend/have a question.

<u>Young Writers Poetry Competition</u> - please return forms to the school office for Ruby Class children who wish to take part in this competition by Friday 8th February.

<u>Fishbourne Roman Palace</u> - please can the forms for this trip for children in Sapphire Class be returned to the school office by Friday 15th February.

#### **Bad Weather Procedure**

We thought we would remind you about the procedure for bad weather. In the event of snow or flooding, the school will take a decision as early as possible about whether to open or not. Please be assured that the decision to close the school is never taken lightly, but is based on the health and safety of children, parents and staff travelling to and from the school, the ability to operate the school safely during the day and the conditions in Alfriston itself. If a decision is made to close the school, this is put on:

- the school website, http://www.alfriston.e-sussex.sch.uk
- the list of closed schools on the East Sussex website www.eastsussex.gov.uk/ educationandlearning/schools/schoolclosures
- local radio, Heart FM on 102.4-103.5FM and at http://www.heart.co.uk/sussex
  - an Eschools email or text is sent out
- a notice on the school gate/door (only possible if a member of staff can get to the school).

If the decision is made to open the school, children should come to school equipped to play in the snow – good coats, wellies, hats, gloves and scarves. If the school is open, but your particular circumstances make it unsafe to travel to school, please let us know. In this case absence is authorised. Please make sure the school has up to date contact details including mobile phone numbers and if possible an alternative local contact. Hopefully we will not have to close the school at short notice.

#### What's coming up.....

Friday 1st February FoAS Meeting

4th - 8th February National Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 5th February Safer Internet Day
Thursday 7th February Parent Forum
Thursday 7th February Football Match

Friday 8th February Celebration Assembly - Safer Internet Day Presentations by Classes



#### **Safer Internet Day**

As a school we will be participating in the international initiative of 'Safer Internet Day' which takes place next Tuesday, 5th February. We constantly emphasise safety when using the internet, and it is specifically taught as part of the curriculum throughout the school, however taking part in this special day gives us the opportunity to highlight this important issue even more. The theme for this year is "Together for a Better Internet" and classes throughout the school will be carefully considering how to be safe online through activities and discussion linked to this theme. On Friday 8th February each class will be presenting and sharing their learning about online safety in celebration assembly at 9am, to which parents/carers are invited as usual. We do also have a section of our website dedicated to online safety

https://www.alfriston.e-sussex.sch.uk/website/ online\_safety/87326



#### **Drinks bottles**

Please can you ensure that your child's water bottle has either a sports top or a top which does not allow the water to spill if knocked over.

Screw lid bottles can make a mess if either the lid is left off or not replaced correctly and then knocked over in class. We do have refillable water bottles available in the office for £1.50, if you need to purchase one.

#### **Friends of Alfriston School**



**Meeting** - Our next meeting is taking place tomorrow, Friday 1st February, at 8.45am in the school library. All are welcome to attend.

**100 Club** - the winner of the January draw was Mr Windsor (again!!!) with number 56. The next draw will take place on Friday 1st March.

**AGM** - we will be holding our AGM on Wednesday 13th March at 8.45am for a 9am start. Again, all are welcome to attend.

#### **Chinese New Year**

To celebrate Chinese New Year, on Tuesday, 5th February Chartwells are providing a special menu for lunch. The children will have a choice of Chinese chicken noodles, Quorn Chinese veggie rice, both with oriental vegetables and fresh broccoli on the side. Jacket potatoes, with a choice of fillings, will also be offered as usual. Dessert will be mango frozen yogurt, fresh fruit or yogurt.





#### **Dates for your Diary**

New dates are in bold:

Wed 13th February School Health Team Visiting Sapphire Class - Sleep & Screen Time

Fri 15th February 'Space Day' for Pearl Class

Fri 15th February Last Day of Term

Mon 25th February Children Return to School

27th Feb - 6th March Healthy Living Week

Tues 5th March Mid Year Reports Out

Tues 5th March Parent Consultations
Thurs 7th March World Book Day

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Wed 13th March FoAS AGM
Tues 19th March Class Photos



