



NEWSLETTER - JULY 2024

IMPORTANT REMINDERS - PLEASE READ

School Start: 8.35am **End of day** 3.15pm.

Anyone arriving after 8:45am must register via the office.

No children may be in school before 8:35am unless attending breakfast club.

**Report absence to welfare@altonpark.school
or call the school & press 1**

- **BREAKFAST CLUB:** 7.45am - 8.45am: £3 per session (siblings £2.50), breakfast included. If you require a place contact the school office.
- **MEDICAL** Medication must come via the office. Antibiotics will NOT be administered if prescribed 3x a day. Children must NOT return to school within **48 hours** of the last vomiting/diarrhoea attack.
- **SWIMMING:** Rashford and Simmonds £3 payable every Tuesday.
Last session 16 July
- **SAFEGUARDING:** Please do not under any circumstances enter the school building when dropping or picking up a child/ren. This is a serious safeguarding breach. If you wish to speak to a member of staff please come to the front office to make an appointment. **Parents are also not permitted to film any match events taking place at school.** Furthermore, please do not let siblings from other schools enter the doors via the playground to use the toilets. Thank you for your co-operation.

SCHOOL DINNERS

You can find the latest dinner menu on our website £2.20 payable on Arbor . If your child's account has arrears you need to send a packed lunch until arrears are cleared. Dinners must be paid for in advance or on the day. **Breaktime snacks should be a healthy choice of fruit, yoghurt, breakfast bar or similar (no nuts). Please avoid chocolate, biscuits or crisps. Many thanks.**

DO NOT PUT CHILDREN'S LIVES AT RISK

Please do not park or stop on the zig zags. Please also be considerate to the local residents .Thank you in advance for your co-operation.



CLASS NEWS

Year 3 have been working hard in all lessons this last month. We are really enjoying design technology and our return to sewing, our history lessons based on Clacton and our PE lessons, where we are learning new skills in tennis and rounders. We have made great progress in grammar, reading and arithmetic but are now working hard on our writing. If you get a chance please encourage the children at home to write a diary or about the weekend to keep working on top of this.

Year 4 have had a fantastic summer term. The children have worked hard with their MTCs and we are very proud of their achievements. We have had sessions with Into University, where we looked at possible future careers and the children were really enthusiastic about this. We are now looking forward to our DT project, where we will be making Roman chariots and racing these against each other.

Year 5 has had a lovely start to the final term of the year. We enjoyed a morning at the beach where the children explored different animals and their habitats, they were very excited that they found lots of gooseberry jellyfish. They took part in a public survey and were extremely polite and mature when asking their questions along with many other activities. In English they have been writing their own viking story and have created some excellent pieces so far. Using some fantastic vocabulary and grammar skills. The year group continues to work hard in maths and have been concentrating on securing their knowledge of decimals. The year 5 team are extremely proud of what they have achieved so far.



Year 6 have worked incredibly hard on their writing and have created some fantastic pieces to show off their writing skills! We are now in full swing with rehearsing for our production (which is on Wednesday 3rd July at 6pm at the West Cliff Theatre) and planning end of year celebrations: leavers' party in the afternoon of Friday 12th July and a leavers' assembly at 9am on Friday 19th July which parents and carers are invited to. Further correspondence will be coming out with all of the details. Keep working hard, Year 6, and enjoy all of the fun activities for the last few weeks of primary school!

Garrison's Athletics 2024

Children from Alton Park took part in this year's Garrison's athletics event and made us all very proud. They placed 2nd in the Large Schools events and 2nd in the Overall results out of 20 schools.

Furthermore, our very own K. Mills now holds the new record with Clacton District Primary School Sports Association Athletics Record Holders in the girls shotput event with a fantastic 11.6m!

Well done to the whole team!

R. Chigozie

I. Nolan

K. Thwaites

O. Crumplin

J. Oleh

J. Smee

H. Vine

O. Southern

H. Baird

S. Stripling

M. Leggett

T. Adefehinti

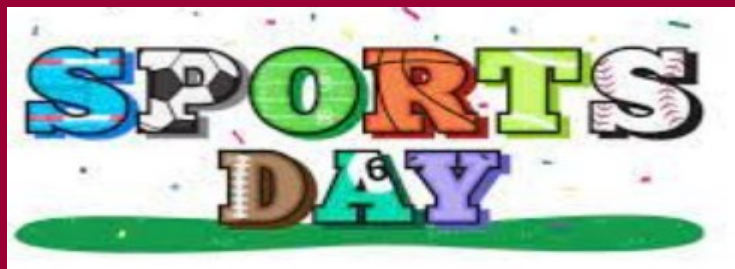
D. Yaremenko



YEAR 6 End of Year Events 2024

2 nd & 3 rd July	Year 6 will be walking to and from the Westcliff Theatre for rehearsals taking part during the school day (students only) Bring a Packed lunch or pre-ordered FSM packed lunch
Wednes- day 3 rd July	Production at Westcliff Theatre 5:30pm drop off, in costume , for 6pm start. Collection by an adult at 7pm
4 th & 5 th July	IntoUniversity coming to school/classes (secondary transition support) Thursday 4 th – Team Britten Friday 5 th – Team Williams 9:30am - 12pm
Wednes- day 10 th July	2-3pm Reading picnic (see separate letter)
8 th & 11 th July	IntoUniversity coming to school/classes (secondary transition support) Monday 8 th – Team Franklin Thursday 11 th – Team Glennie 9:30am - 12pm
Thursday 8 -11 th July	Book fair after school 3:00-3:30pm in the hall
Friday 12 th July	Leavers Celebration Picnic and Disco 1:30pm-3pm Bring change of clothes
15-17 th July	Bradwell-on-Sea residential trip Arrive 8:40 as usual Leaving 9:15am to arrive at Bradwell by 11am Returning approximately (traffic dependent) 3:30 on 17 th July
15-17 th July	Children not attending Bradwell Residential trip are to come in normal school time each day and will take part in the following: Beach trip (see separate letter) Outdoor learning Art and craft activities Team sports
19 th July Friday	Last day of school Leavers assembly 9am start in the hall. Parents/carers invited to come along (see separate letter). Shirt signing happening (send in another shirt and they can bring pens for signing).

We are pleased to announce our Sports Day has been re-scheduled. This will now take place on Tuesday 9th July.



All pupils are able to participate.

The timetable is as follows:

<p>Tuesday, 9th July</p>	<p>Competitive Sports Day – Parents invited</p> <p>Years 3 and 4: 9am until approximately 11.30am. <i>Parents/Carers must leave the site immediately after this event has ended please.</i></p> <p>Years 5 and 6: 1.30pm until approximately 3pm. Children will then return to their classrooms. <i>Parents/Carers will be allowed to wait in the playground to collect their children as normal at 3.15pm.</i></p> <p>NB: We are sorry that we are unable to host a picnic lunch this year.</p>
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PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD WEARS A FULL PE KIT. UNFORTUNATELY, NO SPARE KITS WILL BE AVAILABLE. PLEASE ENSURE CHILDREN HAVE SUN CREAM ON A WATER BOTTLE WITH THEM.

BOOK FAIR 8-11TH JULY

School Hall 3:15pm

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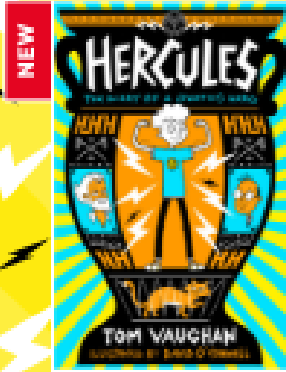
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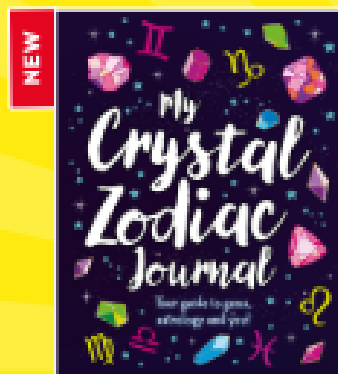
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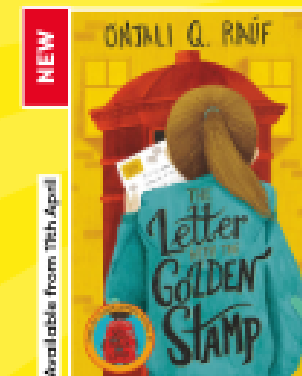
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Payment at our Book Fair

Please check with your school for the best way to pay for your books

- You may pay by card at the Fair via card reader machines if your school has one or by using the online payment link at www.travellingbooks.co.uk/pay and simply selecting your school from the drop down menu.
- Pre-paid gift vouchers are available in £5, £10, £15, £20 and £25. Go to www.travellingbooks.co.uk/gift-vouchers to buy vouchers for your child before the Fair.
- If you can't attend the Fair in person, your child can order books via a Wish List - please ask your school for details.

HELP EARN FREE BOOKS

Scholastic is one of the largest providers of free books to schools via our Reward scheme which helps to ensure that as many children as possible have access to books that support reading for pleasure. Every time you buy from the Book Fair, you help to make a difference by supporting literacy in your child's setting. Last year, with your help, we gave over £5.3M worth of free books to schools nationwide, which stocked school libraries and classrooms.



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All books subject to availability. Book range may vary. ⚠ Warning: Not suitable for children under 3. Small parts.

School Term and Holiday Dates for Alton Park Junior School - Academic Year 2023-2024

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= Schooldays

= School holidays

= Bank holidays

= Weekends

= year 3 transition day

= staff training day

Taking holidays in term time

You must get permission from the headteacher if you want to take your child out of school during term time. The headteacher will only authorise absence if there are exceptional circumstances. If your request is approved, the headteacher will decide how many days your child can be away from school. You could be fined for taking your child out of school during term time without the school's permission. For more information please read [here](#)

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

- EVERY TUESDAY—COFFEE MORNING 9AM
- For all year 6 events in July please see page 4 of this newsletter
- 9th July: Sports Day (see page 5)
- 8th-11th July: Book Fair - School Hall
- 10th July: Reading Picnic (more info to follow)
- 11th July: Netball Tournament
- 19th July - 2nd September: Summer Holidays
- 3rd September 2024: Return to school
- 14th October - Immunisation Day



Parent Coffee Mornings

Join us **every Tuesday** from **9am - 10am** for **coffee** and **biscuits** to socialise, share experiences, ask questions and hear information about the school!

All parents/ adults at home are welcome!
Please come to reception on the day.



BLUES & ROCK

2024

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SAT 6TH JULY
4PM-11.30PM

SUN 7TH JULY
2PM-6PM

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