

Alton Infant School

Sowing the seeds of learning

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I hope you all had a lovely half term holiday and welcome to the second half of the Summer Term. As we move towards the end of this term, we will be taking the time to work with and talk to the children about their new year groups, teachers and classes for September. The children will be taking part in several visits to their new year group and towards the end of the term they will find out about their new classes, teachers and teaching assistants. We will then communicate with you the details of your child's new class and teaching staff.

Normally, at this time of year we would be looking forward to various Summer events such as the school Sports Day or Summer Fair. Unfortunately, due to on-going Covid restrictions, we are unable to go ahead with these public events. However, we have several Covid-safe events planned for the children this term including a health and fitness week and an art and design day—more details to follow.



We are very pleased to announce that Alton Infant School has just been reaccredited as a Unicef UK Silver Rights Respecting School.

The accreditation assessment took place on Wednesday 9th of June. The feedback was a joy to listen to as the assessor clearly recognised the positive impact of the work on our children, families and staff.

Many thanks to Mrs Cooper, Miss Jackson, Kate Weller, Jenny Newton and Georgie Gamblin for assisting with the assessment. Many thanks also to Miss Lambert for leading the Rights Respecting work across the school and for coordinating our successful reaccreditation!

Our recent Water Week also raised £386 for Unicef and was used to buy various gifts such as a water pump and water purification tablets.

Diary Dates

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INSET days for 2020/2021

25th June 2021

End of term:- Friday 23rd July 2021

INSET days for 2021/2022

1st November 2021

17th December 2021

28th February 2022

8th April 2022

24th June 2022

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Molly and Arthur in Reception, Anna and Scarlet in Year 1 and Lewie and Mabel in Year 2 for winning the competition to design a poster about saving water. The posters were judged by our school Rights Respecting Steering Group and each winner chose a new book to take home and enjoy. Mabel was chosen by South East Water as the overall winner and received a £20 book token!



Home School Association - HSA

Don't forget.....

The HSA will be selling gifts for Father's Day at the school on Wednesday 16th June. Gifts will cost just £2 each. Each class will take turns during the afternoon to choose a gift or gifts for their loved ones which will be wrapped and gift tags will be attached. To take part you will need to complete the form that was emailed out to parents, filling in all the details and the required gift tags, and return to school with the correct money no later than Monday 14th June.

HSA are now busy planning a big end of term raffle and would love to hear from any of our parents, support staff, teachers or governors who know of any businesses that might be generous enough to donate prizes for the raffle.

And finally.....well done and thank you to all those families who took part in the sponsored litter pick over the half term holiday. I'm sure Alton town centre looks very clean and tidy!

Governor's Corner

Hello to all the wonderful children, staff, parents and carers of AIS,

It looks like summer might have finally arrived, let's hope it hangs around for a while! I have been into school a few times recently and it's been great hearing about how happy and settled the children are. I have also been hearing about how welcoming the whole school community has been to Mr Mead and how grateful the school community has been to Mrs Hayes for all her hard work too. It is this warm and friendly community feel that I love most about our school and it makes me proud to be a parent and a governor of AIS. I have also always been proud of the high levels of acceptance and inclusion at our school and the fact that the whole school community is involved in making this a real strength of our school. Our children are so fortunate that as well as a fantastic education, a high level of care and nurturing is also a real focus at AIS and all are made to feel very welcome and valued.



As safeguarding governor, one of my visits to school recently was to monitor the safeguarding training, processes and procedures in school and I'm happy to say that everything was very much in place to ensure that our children are kept safe. As well as being happy, I can also see that the children feel very safe and secure at school and they know what to do and who to talk to if they are worried about anything. There is certainly no shortage of friendly staff to talk to at AIS! Thank you to all the staff for making our children feel so valued.

Congratulations to Miss Spreadborough (now Mrs. Plant)!

Over the half term holiday, Miss Spreadborough celebrated her marriage to Mr. Ben Plant. Mr. and Mrs. Plant enjoyed a fantastic day and were able to celebrate with a limited number of friends and family in the lovely sunshine!



Do you know someone whose child is starting school in September 2022?

If so, please see below for the dates of our upcoming tours of the school.

Monday 12th July 2021 at 9.30am

Thursday 15th July 2021 at 9.30am

Monday 19th July 2021 at 9.30am

Monday 13th September 2021 at 9.30am

Wednesday 22nd September 2021 - 9.30am

Monday 27th September 2021 – 9.30am

Wednesday 6th October 2021 – 9.30am

Monday 11th October 2021 – 9.30am

Wednesday 20th October 2021 – 9.30am

