



NEWSLETTER

Outwood Primary Academy Alne

DATE: November 2023

Dear Parents,

Thank you for the support in all of the events and fundraising so far this term. We're working with FOAS to try and raise money to replace the playground equipment. Our current equipment is reaching the end of its life and has been well used and loved by children at school. Unfortunately, school budgets do not stretch to these facilities and we are reliant on your support. I know that we're well on the way towards the target, thank you everyone.

The Children's Commissioner, Dame Rachel De Souza is inviting parents and children to complete a national survey, 'The Big Ambition', please share your views [online](#).

Christmas is just around the corner and we have lots of festive events that will celebrate the season in style. If parents or grandparents are able to join us as volunteers for the pantomime trip on 7th December please let the office know.

Thank you
Miss Dawson

Sports Round Up

Cluster schools have hosted football tournaments this term for Y5/6 children. In October a mixed team of Y5/6 children went to Easingwold to play matches against 9 other teams. Following a fast-paced afternoon of matches we came 7th overall which was fantastic, well done to everyone who played.

Earlier this month we hosted the Y5/6 Girls tournament welcoming 3 other cluster teams to play. We didn't progress this time but the children played brilliantly, winning their final match against Easingwold.

We have also held an inter-house football tournament which caused great excitement and competition.

Y1/2/3 winning teams; Blue and Green

Y4/5/6 winning team: Yellow

Overall winning team: Yellow

The sporting fun continues when each class will visit Outwood Primary Greystone for a sports morning or afternoon.

In Spring term children in KS2 will participate in cross country events for their house team and also in the cluster event at Husthwaite.



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Enrichment Clubs Autumn 2

- Mr Montgomery's sports club will not be running in Autumn 2, it will start again in Spring 2
- Book direct with York City Football for Friday, places are limited.
- Children don't need to book in for lunchtime clubs.

	Lunchtime	Afterschool
Monday		
Tuesday	Y4/5/6 Boys football with Mr Montgomery	
	KS2 Guitars and Violins with Mrs Lynch	
	KS2 Dance with Mrs Copeland	
Wednesday	KS1 Well-being with Mrs Teale	
Thursday	Young Voices – Y4/5/6 all welcome with Mrs Harpin	
Friday	KS2 Girls Football with York City Football	Football with York City Football (from 22/9/23)

If arrangements for children attending the club change please can you contact the office to let us know on 01347 838427. Please understand that emails are not always seen if sent late in the day. If children are taken home instead of attending an afterschool club please can you let the classteacher know in person on the day.

FOAS

Lottery: [please buy a ticket in our school lottery](#), only £1 per ticket, there's a chance to win £25,000!

Panto Travel If you haven't already and would be happy/ able to contribute towards your child's travel to the panto we would be extremely grateful. This will release these funds to spend on the children's new playground. The price of travel is £6.30 per child.

Reference Panto Travel

Account No 50100250

Sort Code 40 20 02

Name Friends Of Alne School

(Please note there is no obligation to do this if you're not able)

Nativity Thursday 14th December We will be serving Mulled Wine/ Mulled Apple Juice and Mince Pies' before to enjoy throughout the nativity - we are hoping to have a facility to take card payments, but cash would be really appreciated!

Cake Sale Friday 15th December After school in the playground - anyone willing to bake please let us know.

Burns Night Saturday 27th January We are hoping to run a Burns Night to help raise funds, it'll be open to anyone (...adults!), however it's dependent on having enough volunteers to help serve drinks/ food. If you might be happy to help please let us know and we can gauge if it'll be possible to run.

Thanks so much, FOAS.

P.S As always, if you want to join the committee people are always welcome. We have a WhatsApp where we discuss ideas and dates, you can have as little or as much input as you want, then we meet up occasionally too!



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Attendance

Thank you for endeavouring to book medical and dental appointments out of school hours, we have seen a reduction in children missing school for this reason.

Our attendance figures are below, we're aiming to have attendance as high as possible in all classes, certainly above the national average of 96%.

	September 2023	October 2023	Year to date
Reception	98.5	99.8	99.18
Y1/2	98.2	97.4	97.74
Y3/4	98.4	97.6	97.98
Y5/6	97.9	99.77	97.84
Whole school	98.2	97.91	98.05

All attendances are in % **above 98%** below 96%

Parking

Please can we ask parents to drive carefully when dropping off and collecting children, in particular avoiding reversing into the school drive. Parking is difficult outside school and we would ask that you don't obstruct the driveways of our neighbours.



2023 - 24 Term Dates

The term dates for 23/24 have now been confirmed and are listed on the [school website](#).

Questions & Queries

Please contact school on the admin email address; enquires@alne.outwood.com or by phone 01347 838427

Music Lessons

We now have teachers in school for

- Woodwind; flute, clarinet and fife
- Keyboard
- Brass; trombone, trumpet and cornet
- Piano

Please click below to find out more about school music lessons and book direct;

[Music in Schools York \(brass and woodwind\)](#)
[NYCC School Music Service \(keyboard and strings\)](#)
enquiries@alne.outwood.com (piano)

Governing Body

Our school governors are;

- Sarah Rorke CHAIR (parent of Martha)
- Dave Rogers (parent of Emilia and Theo)
- Helen Jones (parent of Molly and Ted)
- Roharna Vitty (parent of Isla and Quinn)
- Sue Brown (Community governor)
- Jennie King (staff)
- Charis Mullery (staff)

If you, or someone you know in our community is interested in becoming a governor please get in touch.

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The graphic features a central illustration of a blue and red rocket launching upwards, leaving a trail of blue smoke. Surrounding the rocket are five circular lottery balls in various colors (yellow, red, purple, blue) with numbers 2, 4, 7, and 4. The background is white with a purple and red curved border at the top and bottom.

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WE'VE LAUNCHED A LOTTERY

Buy your tickets now to help our fundraising

- Tickets cost just £1
- 40p per ticket sold goes to our school
- Chance for you to win our local cash prize each week or the £25,000 jackpot!

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yourschoollottery.co.uk
and search for: Alne Primary



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Diary Dates

30 th October to 3 rd November	Autumn Half-term
7 th November, 1-3pm	Y5/6 Girls football match at Alne
8 th November	Dogs Trust Workshops Y1 to Y6
10 th November	Remembrance Day observed in school (poppies on sale from 6/11)
14 th November	Flu vaccinations in school – parents have to opt in
16 th November	Y6 Crucial Crew
17 th November	Children in Need: wear spotty clothes (donations by Parentpay)
21 st to 24 th November	Scholastic Book Fair after school daily in new classroom
22 nd November, 9.30 to 11am	Reception starters 2024 open morning
28 th November	Reception, Y1/2 trip to Ripon Cathedral and Greystone
29 th November	Y3/4 and Y5/6 trip to Ripon Cathedral and Greystone
7 th December	Pantomime
13 th December	Christmas lunch and jumper day
14 th December	Nativity at St Mary's Church Space is always at a premium so please can we invite families to share this with us at; 1.30pm for parents and pre-school children and grandparents 5pm for parents
20 th December	Christmas parties; send clothes to change into
22 nd December	Training Day
25 th December to 5 th January	Christmas Holiday
8 th January 2024	1 st day of Spring Term; children in school
25 th January	KS2 Cluster cross country at Husthwaite
12 th February to 16 th February	Spring Half-term
21 st February	Young Voices
25 th March to 5 th April	Easter Holiday
6 th May	May Day Bank Holiday
13 th to 16 th May	Year 6 SATs week
27 th May to 31 st May	Summer Half-term
3 rd June	Training Day
19 th to 21 st June	Y6 Residential to Great Tower
22 nd July to 2 nd September	Summer Holiday (last day of term 19 th July)

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