



## Alverton Governors 2016 – 2017

At Alverton, we are very fortunate to have a very strong set of Governors who contribute a great deal to the development of our school and are very supportive of our vision, aims, staff and pupils. Governors also act as a “critical friend” and part of their role is to provide challenge to school leaders to ensure that all pupils receive the best possible provision at school.

Our Governors bring a range of skills and experiences to their role and each Governor is linked to a school development priority (often of the Governor’s own expertise / interest). This allows them to effectively support, challenge and develop this area of expertise in a focused and effective manner. This specialist approach enables Governors to become engaged in a particular development strand, become directly involved with key staff in that area and help to effect tangible improvements for your children.

Feedback from our 360° review highlighted the necessity to ensure that our Governors are known to the whole school community. Some Governors have already featured in a “Spotlight On...” interview in the Friday News which will continue this year. A “Governors and Governance” Parent Guide is attached which includes a photograph and brief pen portrait of each of our Governors, all of whom would be happy to talk to you about their role, responsibilities or any other matter which you would like to discuss.

## Parents Evenings

Our Parents Evenings this term will be held in the week beginning **Monday 17th October** from 3.30—6.30 pm and we are really looking forward to meeting you and discussing your child’s progress.

We are going to use our system for booking appointments through our eschools facility on our school website ([www.alverton.org.uk](http://www.alverton.org.uk)) as we did last Spring.

You will previously have been sent log in details for eschools. If you are unsure what this is, please ask at the office and they will arrange for new details to be sent to you. These details will be needed in order to go online and book the appointment slot that suits you best when **the booking period opens on the 5th October.**

**If you usually have a review meeting with Mrs Hughes (which used to be with Mrs Burlton) and your child’s class teacher, you will be sent an appointment time as normal and you don’t need to use the eschools system. Ducklings Nursery parents will also not need to use this.**

### YEAR 6 LONDON

If your child would like to go on the London trip next July, please ensure that you pay the deposit of £30 by Friday 7th October to secure a place. We need to know exact numbers by then to work out if the total cost is going to change. Thank you.

### AUTHOR VISIT

Exciting news! Eamonn Reilly, the author, is visiting school on Monday. Please see [www.er-reilly.co.uk](http://www.er-reilly.co.uk) for details and keep an eye out for a letter about his books coming home on Monday.

### Great Western Dog Walk for Cornwall Hospice Care

Saturday 1st October

Marazion to Penzance Prom starting at 11am. Free parking at Marazion. Registration on the day at the Godolphin Arms, Marazion from 9am. Party on the Prom from 12.30pm. Doggy Goody bag for every dog. Prizes for top fundraisers, register online & start fundraising.

01736 755770 [www.cornwallhospicecare.co.uk](http://www.cornwallhospicecare.co.uk)

### KEYBOARD LESSONS

Maria currently has 3 spaces for keyboard lessons on a Monday afternoon in school time. If your child is interested (Year 2 and above), please ask at the school office. Lessons are in small groups and cost £5 per week, payable termly or half termly in advance.

### Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival will be held on **Thursday 13th October** at 9.30am and you are all very welcome to join us.

This year, we are particularly thinking about people who do not have enough to eat and we would be grateful for any donations of **dried or canned food** that the children bring in as these will be going to the local food bank. Please do not send in fresh food as the food bank is unable to accept these items. Thank you.



### CHRISTMAS CARDS

We are again working on behalf of the school and Art Projects for Schools Ltd for each pupil to have their own design made into a unique Christmas card, if you wish.

Next week your child will bring home their design along with details of how to order online. **We cannot accept any orders via school.** The deadline for you to order is **16<sup>th</sup> October.**

If you choose to place an order you **MUST** return your child's design to school for collection **by 18<sup>th</sup> October.** Completed orders of cards will be sent out via school in November.

In the past this has been a very successful project and is a fun way to help FOAS raise some funds as well as giving you an opportunity to buy some unique, very personal cards for Christmas.

Thank you for your support.



## STARS OF THE WEEK

Robins	Isabella	for beautiful manners, kindness and caring for us all
Choughs	Daniel	for getting involved on our trip to Feadon Farm
Puffins	Jenson	for always trying his best in Phonics
Owls	Mia	for her happy nature and hard working attitude
Kingfishers	Isabella	for her fantastic letter to Sir Lancelot
Trencrom	Jermain	for always putting a smile on Miss Rogers face and trying really hard with his learning
Lanyon	Annalucia	for writing a fantastic Victorian story. You have worked extremely hard.
Kerris	Macy	for the effort she has shown towards her writing this week
Bodrifty	Theo C	for always doing his best and coming to school with a huge smile on his face
Bosigran	Freddie	for the most fantastic writing this week. Your story language is something to behold!
Kenidjack	Daniel	for great writing on his Battle of Bosworth story
Dinnertime	Rowan	for lovely smile and good manners
	Layla	for a well balanced healthy packed lunch



### Twitter

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter @alvertonschool to keep up-to-date with all the exciting things that are going on.



### CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Choughs	96.5%	7
Robins	97.6%	5
Puffins	97.1%	6
Owls	98.6%	2
Kingfishers	95.4%	9
Trencrom	98.0%	4
Lanyon	94.3%	10
Kerris	98.5%	3
Bodrifty	98.7%	1
Bosigran	92.6%	11
Kenidjack	96.4%	8
<b>Overall school attendance</b>	<b>96.6%</b>	

**Our collective target is 97.5%**

### DIARY DATES

#### OCTOBER

- 4<sup>th</sup> Year 6 taster day at Humphry Davy
- 6<sup>th</sup> Year 6 taster day at Mounts Bay
- 6<sup>th</sup> FOAS AGM at 7.00pm – details to follow
- 7<sup>th</sup> Sharing assembly – Kerris at 2.45pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> Harvest Festival at 9.30am
- 14<sup>th</sup> Sharing assembly – Bodrifty at 2.45pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> Parent Consultation evenings – how to book your appointment to follow
- 20<sup>th</sup> Individual and Family photographs – details to follow
- 20<sup>th</sup> FOAS Halloween Disco – details to follow

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October – HALF TERM**

#### NOVEMBER

- 4<sup>th</sup> Sharing assembly – Bosigran at 2.45pm
- 11<sup>th</sup> Sharing assembly – Lanyon at 2.45pm
- 18<sup>th</sup> Sharing assembly – Kenidjack at 2.45pm
- 18<sup>th</sup> Children in Need fundraising day





**PENZANCE AND SURROUNDING AREA**

# **OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY**



## **From just £13 per day!**

Go Active Cornwall run holiday clubs **with a difference**. We have the biggest range of sports and activities in the UK – activities that include **Street Surfing**, **Bubble Football**, **Archery**, **Rocketball** and more! Now we are coming to a venue near you, and we would like to offer you a special discount!

We will be at

**ALVERTON PRIMARY SCHOOL**

On selected dates during the October Half Term.

Please visit [www.goactivecornwall.co.uk](http://www.goactivecornwall.co.uk) for dates and for more information.

Alternatively, please contact Area Manager Ed Timmons on **07843 126 833** or email [ed@goactivecornwall.co.uk](mailto:ed@goactivecornwall.co.uk)

***More days may be on offer – please add us on Facebook (Search ‘Go Active Cornwall’) to keep up to date with further dates and information. Thank you.***