



Alfriston School



Fair, friendly, fulfilling and fun!

Newsletter - 26th April 2019

Welcome back, we hope you all enjoyed the sunshine and had a relaxing Easter break.

School Office Staffing

Mrs Downton is currently out of school for personal reasons. During her absence Ms Kneller is working some additional hours but there will be times when there is only one person in the office. Mrs Fitzgerald will continue to be outside in the morning and there will therefore be some mornings where it is not possible for parents to come to the office before school. Please speak to Mrs Fitzgerald outside who will be able to help you with any questions, messages or queries you may have. Thank you for your continued support.

Gymnastics Competition

Yesterday, Alfriston's Year 5 & 6 gymnasts competed in the South Downs Area Key Steps Gymnastics Competition. The members of the team were Evie, Tia, Eden, Rodney, Ted, Eva and Isla.

They came 7th out of 9 schools. They all did brilliantly and were extremely supportive of each other.

A special thank you to Emma, our Gym Club coach for all her hard work and encouragement.



Class Photos

This week you should have received your child's class photo proof in their book bag. If you would like to place an order through the school please return the form with payment by Friday 3rd May, alternatively you can place your order online.

Swimming Pool

We are again at the start of the swimming season, and as they did last year, the Friends of Alfriston School have arranged a pool clean up and maintenance morning. This is being held on Sunday 19th May, 10am to 12noon and we would really appreciate your help.

If you are available to help please let the Friends know either through the office, by speaking to them on the playground or through their Facebook page.

Uniform

Please ensure all of your child's uniform is named. Uniform can be expensive and we are finding an increasing amount of unnamed uniform which we then can not reunite with its owner.

A Big Thank You

We would like to thank Paul from Amazing Bouncy Castles who kindly donated use of two bouncy castles for our sponsored bouncing bunnies event. Paul is based in Seaford, his contact details are
Tel: 07850020354. Email
info@amazingbouncycastleles.co.uk

What's coming up next week

Tuesday 30th April Football match against Cradle Hill
Friday 3rd May FoAS Meeting

This Week's Class News

Pearl Class

This week, Pearl class have been learning about beans! We have enjoyed listening to, and retelling, the story, 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. Jack sent us some magic beans so we have planted them and hope that they grow into giant beanstalks! They have written instructions to tell the story character, Jasper, how to grow beans as he was a little confused! They have also been adding and taking away with beans!

On Thursday the class had a visit from the health team and learnt about how to be safe in the sun - slip, slop, slap, sunglasses, shade!!

We have continued to explore curling and stretching in gymnastics.

Please read the letter in your child's book bag about show and tell for next week - thank you!

Ruby Class

In Ruby class this week, the children have been thinking of questions to ask the 'Bog Baby' from the new story they are reading.

In maths, the children have been exploring fractions of shapes and solving problems using their new learning.

In art, they began a new unit of work looking at the work of William Morris. The class also explored different ways to help the environment as part of 'Earth Day'.

Sapphire Class

In English, Sapphire class have been using sub-headings in their writing as they reviewed and compared two traditional European legends – The Glass Knight from England and The Shoemaker and the Dragon from Poland.

The fractions journey has continued this week with adding and subtracting 2 or more fractions with common denominators.

The class have also begun exploring stereotypes as part of the PSHE Relationship focus for this term, have been discussing technology and how it can be used to communicate and have begun learning about European countries as part of the Learning Journey for this term.

Emerald Class

Emerald have had a great first week back after the Easter break. They started their Science topic: Living Things and their Habitats, with a look around the school grounds at the micro-habitats we have and the creatures that live in the vicinity. A slow worm and a newt were the highlights!

They have also been looking at statistics in Maths, reading information in line graphs and tables and considering the ways in which this information can be used.

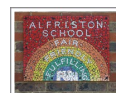
They have looked at the way the point of view in a story affects how we view characters and are writing from different points of view.

Dates for your Diary

New dates are in bold:

Mon 6th May	Bank Holiday (School Closed)
Mon 13th - Thurs 16th May	KS2 SATs
Tues 21st May	Alfriston Football Tournament
Thurs 23rd May	Ruby Class visit to Clergy House
Friday 24th May	May Break
Fri 24th - Sun 2nd June	School Closed
Mon 3rd June	Children return to school
Mon 17th June	INSET Day
Thurs 20th June	Year 2 overnight stay
Wed 25th June	School Games Day
	FoAS Summer Fair

Friends of Alfriston School



100 Club - the draw happened earlier day in assembly. The result will be in next week's newsletter.

Easter Cake Sale - the Easter cake sale raised £5010, thank you to everyone who donated cakes.

Sponsored Bouncing Bunnies - the children all had a great time today. Early next week you will receive details of the number of bounces your child managed. Please return any sponsor money to the school office.