



Alfriston School



Fair, friendly, fulfilling and fun!

Newsletter - 27th September 2019

School Attendance

We had some children arriving late to school this week. It is vital that children arrive at school on time every day. When children arrive late it can be unsettling for them, it is also disruptive for the rest of the class.

Dogs Trust Visit

Next week we are excited to be having a visit from The Dogs Trust. During their visit they will be holding an assembly and running workshops educating the children about the responsibilities and commitment involved in dog ownership and how to be safe around dogs.



Year 6 - Digital game testing at Friston Forest

On Thursday afternoon year 6 were lucky to be given the opportunity to be involved in a project to help test out a prototype of a digital game that has been designed to link to the curriculum and encourage outdoor play.

The children had great fun walking around the forest guided by the game and encountering animated characters, representing creatures that may be in the forest, and learning about them and their habitats. They were able to provide some very useful feedback.

Harvest Festival Assembly

On Thursday Sapphire Class presented a lovely Harvest Festival assembly. The children were all involved, reciting a poem and singing beautifully, they did an amazing job!

Friends of Alfriston School



100 Club - This weekend is your last opportunity to buy a number before the first draw on Monday!

Facebook Page



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Parent, Carers & Visitors Code of Conduct

We would like to remind everyone of the **parents, carers & visitors code of conduct** which can be found in full on the school website - https://alfriston.eschools.co.uk/website/school_policies/54940.

We would like to draw particular attention to the following.

In order to support a peaceful and safe school environment the school will not tolerate parents, carers or visitors exhibiting the following:

- Disruptive behaviour which interferes or threatens to interfere with any of the schools operation or activities.
- Using loud, abusive, threatening or offensive language or displaying temper.
- Threatening, in any way, a member of school staff, visitor, fellow parent/carer or pupil.
- Any inappropriate behaviour on the school premises.
- Sending abusive or threatening emails or text/voicemail/ phone messages or other written communications to anyone within the school community.
- Defamatory, offensive or derogatory comments regarding the school or any of the pupils/parent/staff, at the school verbally, on Facebook or other social sites.
- The use of physical or verbal aggression towards another adult or child. This includes physical punishment against your own child on school premises.
- Approaching someone else's child in order to discuss or chastise them because of the actions of this child towards their own child. (Such an approach to a child may be seen to be an assault on that child and may have legal consequences).
- Approaching another parent to discuss or chastise them because of the actions of their child towards their own.

Should any of the above occur the school will take action by contacting the appropriate authorities and/or sadly consider banning the offending adult/s from

Phonics, Spelling & Reading Information Session

The Phonics, Spelling and Reading information session was well received by parents. Thank you for your positive comments. Information from the session will be available shortly in the 'Parent Information' section of the school website.

What's coming up next week

30th September	Reception and Yr 6 Height and Weight Check plus Year 6 Health and Well being Review
2nd October	Emerald Class at Forest School Phonics meeting for Pearl Class parents (9am)
3rd October	Visit by the Dogs Trust

This Week's Class News

Pearl Class

This week in Pearl class, they have started Phonics! They have learnt the sounds s, a, t and p. Well done to the children for practising these sounds in your sound book. The children have also been finding out about number 1! They have enjoyed lots of stories about families including 'So Much' and 'Five Minutes' Peace'. They have shared their family photos with their friends and made brilliant posters! They have continued to enjoy playing with their new friends, making models with the mobilo; creating family stories in the home corner and constructing the duplo train track. We look forward to seeing parents and carers at the Phonics meeting on Wednesday 2nd October.

Ruby Class

This week, Ruby class investigated waterproof materials and designed a coat for Wombat. They are looking forward to making their coats next week. In English, the children continued to explore the story 'Wombat goes Walkabout' and wrote their own play scripts for a section of the text. In maths, they have been focusing in on counting in, recognising and naming tens. In geography, they began to explore the names of the continents and found Australia on the map.

Sapphire Class

This week, Sapphire Class have produced their Harvest Festival Assembly. They recited a poem, taking parts and thinking about using expression, and some children were also eager to share some of their own writing, including poems and a prayer. Everyone spoke beautifully. In Maths, they are continuing to look at place value and patterns in number, counting in even steps and practising multiplication tables. They have located the continents on a map of the world using Atlases and have continued to enjoy their Tag Rugby sessions.

Emerald Class

Emerald class have been looking at rounding numbers in maths, using their place value knowledge. They have also been exploring patterns in number sequences including negative numbers. In English, the class were introduced to the class book – Spring Heeled Jack by Philip Pullman. This Victorian mystery adventure will be the basis for English lessons this term and has already inspired some great descriptive scenes.

Dates for your Diary

Any new dates that have been added are in bold

14th October	Think: Protect: Connect Workshop - Emerald Class
16th October	Think: Protect: Connect Workshop - Emerald Class
16th October	Parent consultations (15:45 to 18:00)
21st October	Think: Protect: Connect Workshop - Emerald Class
21st - 25th October	Book Week
23rd October	Think: Protect: Connect Workshop - Emerald Class
24th October	Parent consultations (15:45 to 17:00 & 18:00 to 20:00)
25th October	Yr 5/6 Rugby Festival (details tbc)
	Last day of term
28th Oct – 1st Nov	Autumn holiday
4th November	Children return to school
8th November	Flu vaccinations
10th November	Remembrance Sunday
11th – 15th November	Anti-Bullying/Friendship Week 'Change Starts With Us'
11th November	Odd Socks Day for Anti-Bullying/Friendship Week
12th November	House Talent Competition (13:15 to 15:15)
15th November	Anti-Bullying/Friendship Week message from class in Celebration Assembly