



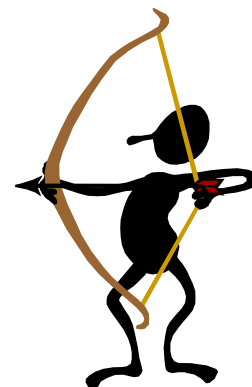
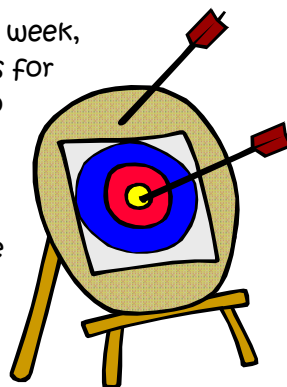
ALDINGBOURNE NEWS SEPTEMBER 2026

Dear Parents and Children,

Welcome back to the start of the Autumn term. I hope you had a wonderful summer and a great big rest!!

TARGETS FOR 2026 – 2027

On our very positive INSET day at the beginning of the week, staff and Governors met to discuss the school's targets for the year 2026 - 2027. Each year the school is required to identify areas that need to be developed and possibly improved. These targets become the basis of the School's Strategic Plan and throughout the year staff, Governors and children work together to achieve these targets. We would really like to involve parents and children in the process. Hopefully, by informing you about the targets, you will be able to work with us to ensure that this very successful school becomes even more successful! This year's priorities are linked to our recent OFSTED visit. If you remember, OFSTED visited the school at the end of term. The below targets are based on their findings.



Target 1: *To maximise the learning of every pupil in all areas so they will achieve their full potential.*

Target 2: *Leaders should ensure that systems for monitoring and improving attendance are rigorous and effective, with timely challenge and support provided where attendance falls below expectations.*

Target 3: *Governors should strengthen their evaluation of the school's strengths and areas for development, and provide robust challenge to leaders as to their precise implementation and impact.*

END OF YEAR RESULTS

Below I have outlined this year's SATS results. A big thanks to everybody who helped the children achieve these results

KEY STAGE 2 – Year 6

Reading

Met = 94%

High Attainers = 35%

Writing

Met = 90%

High Attainers = 19%

Maths

Met = 90%

High Attainers = 20%

*The National Test
Results for KS 2 for 2026 are:*

Reading

Met = 75%

High Attainers = 31%

Writing

Met = 73%

High Attainers = 13%

Maths

Met = 75%

High Attainers = 27%

GPS

Grammar, Punctuation, Spelling

Met = 97%

High Attainers = 32%

GPS

Met = 74%

High Attainers = 30%

RWM

Reading, Writing, Maths

Met = 87%

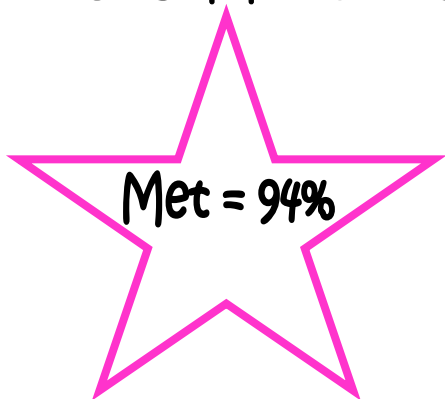
High Attainers = 13%

RWM

Met = 65%

High Attainers = 9%

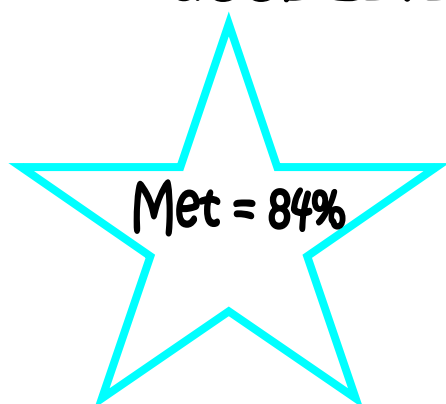
PHONICS SCREENING SCORES – Year 1



The National Test Results for the Phonics screening test 2025 is:

Phonics
Met = 79%

GOOD LEVEL of DEVELOPMENT – Reception



The National Test Results for Good Level of Development in 2025 is:

GLD
Met = 67%

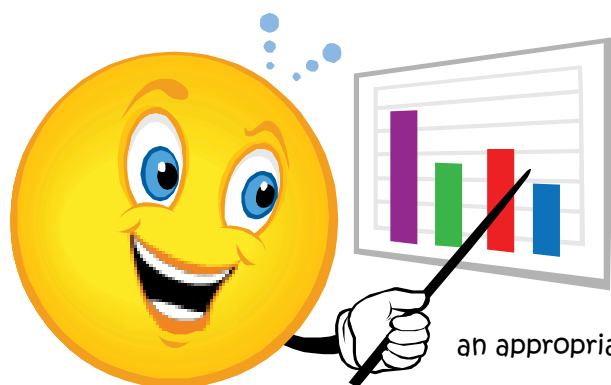
AFTER-SCHOOL AND LUNCH-TIME CLUBS

These will begin on Monday 14th September. Below is the timetable for after-school and lunch-time clubs. Please note the finishing times for clubs is 4.15 pm.

Week Day	Lunch-time	After-school
Monday	Choir	Gym Club (Yrs 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6)
Tuesday		ICT Club (Yr 2) Kurling Club (Yrs 3 / 4 / 5 / 6) Football Club (Yrs 4 / 5 / 6)
Wednesday	MCM Club (School Council) Well-Being Club	Construction Club (Yrs 3 / 4 / 5 / 6) Website Club (Yr 6 By invite only) Drama Club (Yrs 4 / 5 / 6) ICT Club (Yr 3 / 4)
Thursday	Bookworm Club (Yr 6 By invite only)	Games Club (Yr 2) Dance Club (Yr 4 / 5 / 6) Multi-sport Club (Yrs 3 / 4 / 5 / 6)
Friday		

If clubs are to be cancelled, a parentmail / email will be sent out on Monday informing parents about the cancellation. Please also check the school website.





MISS WEBSTER'S TIMETABLE

As parents, you are very supportive of my teaching role and I thank you for being all so wonderful and flexible. This year, as in previous years, if you need to speak to me, I am always available either during the times below or after school and before school from 8.00am-8.30am. Therefore, if you need to make an appointment, please phone the school office to arrange an appropriate time. Thanks x

WEEKDAY	MORNING	AFTERNOON
MONDAY	<i><u>Available by appointment only</u></i>	<i><u>Available by appointment only</u></i>
TUESDAY	TEACHING RECEPTION	TEACHING REC / YR 1 / YR 2
WEDNESDAY	<i><u>Available by appointment only</u></i>	<i><u>Available by appointment only</u></i>
THURSDAY	TEACHING YR 1	TEACHING REC / YR 1 / YR 2
FRIDAY	TEACHING YR 1	TEACHING YR 5 & 6



SHOWING OFF WEEK! – SUMMER 2027

Showing Off week is a time when the children of Aldingbourne School take their SATS tests to show us, and the outside world, how fab they are!

Please can I remind you that absence from Showing Off week affects not only your child's results but also the school's published results and, therefore, does not give a true indication of the achievements of particular year groups.

Could I ask all year 5 and 6 parents (**but especially Year 6**) to ensure their children are in school during the week of.....

Monday 10th – Friday 14th May 2027

With regards to the lower KS 2 'showing off' week (Year 3 and 4 children), these will take place during the week of May 24th 2027.

PARENT READING RAFFLE WINNER

A big thank-you to all those parents who hear their children read 5 times a week and win a ticket for our termly raffle. Last term's winner was Mrs Hutchinson and she chose a bottle of fizz!!!

WOW!! 100% ATTENDANCE

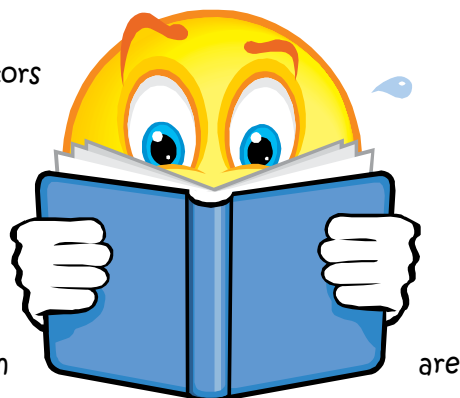
A huge well done to the following children who achieved a 100% attendance in the last academic year.



Can you achieve 100% attendance this year?

SCHOOL DOCUMENTATION

As a school, we are very keen to keep parents and visitors well informed about how the school works. School documentation is readily available to all parents and visitors at any time. If you are interested in obtaining documents such as school policies, the school development plan, prospectus, governor's minutes of meetings etc, please do not hesitate to call in at the office and speak to myself, Diane Johnson or Suzie Higgo. All policies and details of our school curriculum now available on the school website at



www.aldingbourneprimaryschool.co.uk

GOVERNOR AWARD

As a school, we would like to continue with our Governor Community Award. This is an award that is presented to a child or children who have done something special in their community, For example, a kind act, fund raising etc. If you know of any children who have done something special in the community, please let us know and we can put them forward for our Governor Community Award.

If you need to contact the Governors for any reason please do so via

clerk@aldingbourne.w-sussex.sch.uk

SCHOOL UNIFORM

THANKYOU

The children look absolutely gorgeous in their new September uniforms, so could I ask that we maintain these standards throughout the year.

Please remember.....

NO jersey material for trousers, skirts, pinafores.

The colour for trousers, shorts, skirts and dresses is **grey, not blue or black.**

SCHOOL PE KIT is also part of the school uniform. Please can you ensure that your child has their PE kit in school at all times. May I suggest your child brings their PE kit in to school on Monday and takes it home on a Friday.

This way we are guaranteed that children always have their PE kits!!!

Below I have included a PE timetable.

WEEKDAY	MORNING	AFTERNOON
MONDAY	Year 5 + Year 6 <u>Gymnastics</u>	Year 1 + Year 2 <u>Gymnastics</u>
TUESDAY	Year 3 + Year 4 <u>Games</u>	Reception Year 1 + Year 2 <u>Dance</u>
WEDNESDAY	All Junior Children <u>OAA / Dance</u>	All Junior Children <u>OAA / Dance</u>
THURSDAY	Year 3 + Year 4 <u>Gymnastics</u>	Reception Year 1 + Year 2 <u>Games</u>
FRIDAY		Year 5 + Year 6 <u>Games</u>

Don't FORGET! **ALDINGBOURNE SCHOOL P.T.A - WELCOME MEETING**
Wednesday 23rd September at 6.00p.m.



The P.T.A. is an excellent organisation through which we manage to raise over £9,000 every academic year. If you feel you would like to be a part of this organisation, or even learn more about how the P.T.A. is organised, please come along, share a glass of wine, and celebrate our success. I hope to see as many parents as possible at the above meetings.

THE BEGINNING & END OF THE DAY

Can I remind parents that children are not allowed on site before 8.30am as the playground is UNSUPERVISED.

We offer supervision from 8.30am onwards on the school playground.

At the end of the day, children whose parents are late can be collected from the Year 1 & 2 EZONE area. We ask that if you are going to be late, please could you let the school know as soon as possible.

Please remember school gates will be closed at 3.30pm and parents and children will be asked to leave the school site. This procedure has been put in place so children are not left playing on the school site unsupervised. This will hopefully enhance our safeguarding procedures. I ask that all parents support us in this initiative by being off the school site by 3.30pm.



THE BUSY BEE BUS

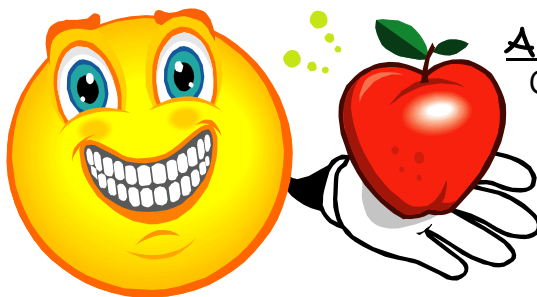


Buzz, the busy bee bus will continue to be used as an activity centre at the start of the day. If you need to drop your child off earlier than 8.30am, due to work commitments, this is possible from 8.15am.

The children have the opportunity to go onto the school bus, where Mrs Tee will supervise

them. Your child does not need to come into school, you simply escort your child around to the bus at the back of the school and Mrs Tee will meet and greet them with lots of lovely activities. The cost for this service is £2 a day. If you intend to use this service, we need the children to bring their £2 to school each morning, and pay Mrs Tee.

We also have an 8.00am drop off at the school office. The children enter school at 8.00am and go to the computer suite with Miss Webster until 8.15am when they will then join the children on the early bus. The cost for this service is £5 and can be paid online or in the morning when they arrive.



A BIG THANK-YOU

Once again, I would like to say a big thank-you to all my wonderful parents and children. I was overwhelmed by the kindness and generosity of everybody at the end of last term.

ALL the teachers and staff would like to say a big thanks. We are very lucky to have such kind, generous parents.

The cards I received were wonderful and your written words were magical.

We try so hard to ensure Aldingbourne School is full of happy times for everyone! And I think we do a pretty good job!

KISS & DRIVE

Can I take this opportunity to remind parents that Kiss and Drive will operate as normal. Myself or another member of staff will be outside the school at 8.30am. If for any reason we are late, please DON'T get CROSS, it is because something in school has occurred and I need to deal with it. Please be patient!

Also, if your child is in year 1 or above they are allowed to get out of the car and go straight onto the playground where Mrs Tee will be waiting. She is always on the playground by 8.30am.

Kiss and Drive is a great initiative and is really helpful to everybody who uses it. Please be kind, patient and smiley if you are going to use this wonderful service!

DON'T FORGET THE SCHOOL TIMINGS

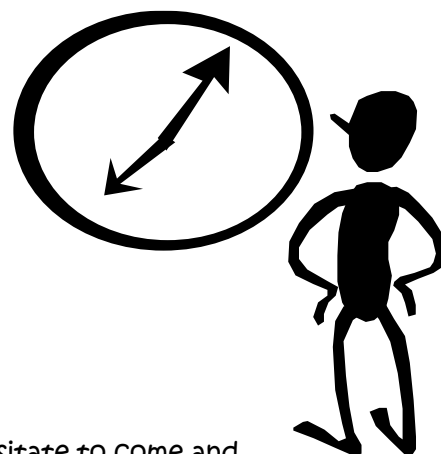
The school doors will open at 8.40am

The school gates will be closed at 8.50am

Infant End of the day is 3.10pm

Junior End of the day is 3.15pm

If you have any questions about the above timings, please don't hesitate to come and talk to the school office.



SCHOOL FACILITIES

At the end or beginning of the day, children are not allowed to play on the school grounds. Please can you prevent your child / children from doing the following...

- ✓ Playing on the Percussion Playground
- ✓ Playing on the outside gym
- ✓ Playing behind the bushes by the basketball pitch
- ✓ Playing on the bouldering rock
- ✓ Playing on the sensory Trail
- ✓ Playing on the Castle / Pirate Ship
- ✓ Climbing on the signpost (it will break eventually!!)
- ✓ Climbing on fences, especially the fences around the EZONE
- ✓ Swinging or climbing on handrails

The children can play on the playground, but I ask that you follow our school rules and do not let your child play on the above areas. THANKS!!



A BIG WELCOME

I would like to welcome the new Reception children and parents and I know they will have a truly fantastic time at our school. Also, I would like to welcome any new families who have joined our lovely school.



EXTRAORDINARY CHILDREN

The first week back at school has been amazing. Your children have been perfect.

I adore all of them - they are just WOW!!!!

On Tuesda I spoke to the children about what I expect from them, every minute of every day, and they have not disappointed me! I used a very popular word in assembly



Help

To inspire the children to make Aidingbourne an even better place to bee! I want them to really think about the impact of this little 4 letter word and I want them to think about who and how they can help others!

My assembly theme for the next 1/2 term will focus on how we can help!

Ourselfs

Family

Friends

Animals

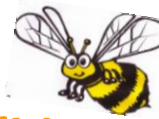
Our world

Bee Friendly

School

Strangers

Environment



SCHOOL NURSE

The school nurse service, is always available to chat and give advice. They are amazing and very supportive. If you have any concerns about you or your child, and you would like to chat to the school nurse, please let the school office know and they will help you make contact.

Referral forms have been introduced, but please do not worry, Mrs Higgo will guide you with completing these.

If you have any medical or emotional concerns with regards you or your child, please feel free to pop in and make an appointment.

SCHOOL MEDICAL RULES

Below I have outlined a few school medical rules, which are in place to keep all your lovely children fit and well.

- ❖ Any child who has sickness or diarrhoea must remain off school for 48 hours – this ensures the bug does not spread.
- ❖ Any child receiving prescription drugs must have this administered at home unless it is needed 4 times a day.
- ❖ Any child who has a soiling accident will be cleaned, but then parents will be contacted to come and check cleanliness. This will avoid infection.
- ❖ If any child has a head injury, parents will be contacted, just to be on the safe side!

Please find enclosed our medicine policy which lists all the Dos and Don'ts.



LIBRARY UPDATE

Parents and children we are still working closely with West Sussex Library Service to create a new gorgeous library. At the moment we are waiting for the planning permission, which continues to take a loooooooooooooooooong time!

SCHOOL WEBSITE – Please don't forget to check the school website for important information. Mrs Reed works really hard to keep it up to date and useful for parents and children.

www.aldingbourneprimaryschool.co.uk.

WOW!!!

On behalf of all the Governors and teachers, I would just like to say a

A GREAT BIG WELL DONE

to the cast of the Evening of Music & Dance!

I am very proud of everybody who took part. It was an absolute pleasure to watch.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody who helped make this show such a success. A special thanks to Mrs Corbett xx

INSET DAYS 2026- 2027

The following Inset days for the academic year 2026 - 2027 have been agreed by the Governors.

Monday January 4th 2027

Monday April 12th 2027

Monday June 7th 2027

Wednesday 21st July 2027

I hope my first newsletter for the academic year 2026 – 2027 has been helpful and, if you would like to discuss any of the issues with me, please do not hesitate to come and see me.

Also enclosed you will find a list of **IMPORTANT** dates, **PLEASE** pop them in your diary.

Yours sincerely
MISS E. WEBSTER
HEADTEACHER

