

AYLBURTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Welcome Back Newsletter, September 2025



'THROUGH GOD'S LOVE WE LEARN AND FLOURISH TOGETHER', CORINTHIANS 16:14.

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to the new academic year. I hope you all had a wonderful summer break. A special welcome to those who are joining our school community for the first time.

We are all very excited to have the children back in school and look forward to seeing them achieve and flourish throughout the year.

Staff look forward to working closely with you to ensure that it is a successful year for everyone.

Best wishes, Mrs Isaac

READING SUGGESTIONS

- ✓ The Crayons Go Back to School by Drew Daywalt (Mrs Isaac)
- ✓ Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx by Joe Todd-Stanton (Mrs Childs)



SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding in our school is essential for keeping the children safe. All staff have received Safeguarding Training, ensuring a safe environment and promoting pupil well-being.

If you need any support or would like to speak in confidence regarding your own or another child, please speak to Mrs Isaac who is the Designated Safeguarding Lead. Mrs Childs, Miss Nelmes and Poppy Turpin-West are also available as the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads.

We will continue to use the illustrated guide 'Working together to safeguard children' in lessons and assemblies to ensure that the children understand what safeguarding really means.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

When you're in school you...



ATTENDANCE

It was wonderful to welcome everyone on the school gate this morning. There were plenty of smiles and everyone was in class promptly. A reminder that the gate opens at 8:40 each day with learning starting immediately.

COMMUNICATION

All future newsletters, weekly reminders and messages will be sent to you on the Seesaw app.

Please scan the attached QR code to download and activate your account and put your settings to receive notifications.

Staff regularly share photographs and videos of the children learning, which you can 'like' and comment on. You can also upload your own images of activities and home learning, including Activity Passport learning for us to see and celebrate.

We also have a school facebook page with updates and information.



Seesaw



ACTIVITY PASSPORTS

Your child's new year group activity passport is attached and can also be found on the school website. It includes 15 activities to complete at home, over the course of the year. These activities are an opportunity for the children to try new things and develop new skills. Please upload photos and videos to the Seesaw app so that we can celebrate their home learning. Once your child has completed their activity passport please let us know so that we can recognise their achievement.

BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS

Aylburton C of E Primary School

Our Behaviour Expectations



We are

kind
and
helpful



We are

gentle



We

work
hard



We

listen



We are

honest



We

look
after
property



Through God's love we learn and flourish together.

PE

PE days in term 1 are as follows:

Chestnut: Tuesday and Friday

Maple: Wednesday and Thursday

Oak: Monday and Thursday

Children must have a school PE kit including a change of shoes so that they can participate fully and safely. Please refer to the school website for a kit list.

We now have spare PE kits in all sizes for children to borrow if they do not have theirs on a PE day.

SNACKS

All children in Chestnut Class are provided with a piece of fruit or vegetable each day, and a glass of milk whilst they are 4 years old. You then have the option of paying for milk once they are 5.

Children in KS2 need to provide their own snack each day. We encourage healthy snacks such as fruit and vegetables. Please do not send in sweets, chocolate bars or fizzy drinks.

LUNCHES

Please order your child's hot school lunch in advance using ParentPay. By doing this with your child ensures that they receive a meal that they like. The school lunches are cooked by Caterlink and offer a fantastic range of food choices. Children in Chestnut Class are all entitled to a free lunch, whilst there is a charge of £2.85 for children in KS2.

There is no charge for children that are in receipt of Free School Meals but you still need to order lunches on ParentPay. We are encouraging all families that may meet certain criteria to apply. Please see the information on the poster below.

Apply online for free school meals



Check to see if your child is eligible using the confidential online portal available on our website www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/free-school-meals/

You can secure a tasty free meal for your child and **save yourself up to £480 per year**. Plus your child's school receives extra funding for each eligible child registered.

If you receive a qualifying benefit, your child's school is entitled to extra funding. So even if you don't want your child to take a free meal, you should still apply to make sure that their school receives all the government funding to which it is entitled - helping them provide your child with the best education and support.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 already receiving an Universal Infant Free School Meal arranged by their school will still have to apply to enable their school to get any extra funding. If you do not have access to a computer or the internet, speak to your child's school.

For further information, including a list of qualifying benefits, visit our website or speak to your child's school today.

OUR CHRISTIAN VALUE THIS TERM IS TRUST



Aylburton C of E School

Clubs (08/09/25-22/10/25)

All clubs finish at 4:15.

Monday -

Tuesday -

Wednesday -

Thursday - Prostars Multisports for Chestnut Class

Friday - Choir for KS2

Sportily after school club for KS2 will start on 23/09/25.

A polite reminder that children need the correct kit for PE lessons and clubs.

Dates for the diary

- 02/09/25 Term 1 starts
- 08/09/25 Minilympics
- 10/09/25 Young Minds Matter workshop for KS2
- 11/09/25 Balance bike lessons for Reception start (6 weeks)
- 17/09/25 Little Wandle phonics meeting for Chestnut Class families
- 18/09/25 Collective Worship with Rev Michelle
- 23/09/25 2pm Parent Internet Safety Workshop
- 02/10/25 Collective Worship with Rec Michelle
- 10/10/25 World Mental Health Day
- 14/10/25 Flu immunisations
- 15/10/25 Parents evening
- 17/10/25 2:30pm Harvest Service in Church
- 20/10/25 Enrichment workshops
- 22/10/25 Parents evening
- 23/10/25 Inset - school closed to all pupils
- 24/10/25 Inset - school closed to all pupils
- 03/11/25 Individual and sibling photographs
- 05-07/11/25 Viney Hill Residential for Year 5
- 07/11/25 SFAT Earth Day
- 10/11/25 Anti-Bullying Week
- 13/11/25 Collective Worship with Rev Michelle
- 27/11/25 Whole school trip to see Dick Whittington on Ice
- 15/12/25 Enrichment Workshops
- 16/12/25 3:30pm KS2 Christmas Concert
- 17/12/25 3:30pm Chestnut Class Nativity
- 19/12/25 2:30pm Christingle Service

Child Care

Please contact the school office if you would like further information on our school breakfast club or the Trust Wrap Around Care Club based at Severnbanks school. Both of these are payable but provide a fantastic service and great value for money.