Alverton School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I'm sure you will agree with me that the Key Stage 1, Lower Key Stage 2 and Upper Key Stage 2 Sports Day afternoons were a huge success. As I walked around the field, I could feel the children's excitement and witnessed the team spirit of cheering each other on and celebrating together. We look forward to our Reception Sports Day next week.

We have had reports that our Year 5 children, who are camping at Porthpean are having an amazing time. Despite the challenging weather, they have been enjoying the climbing wall, a silent disco, beach activities, team building activities, caving and high ropes.

Children across the school have been busy making costumes and contributing parts for the small and large images for Mazey Day. Our large image is beginning to take shape and the children are enjoying seeing it progress in size and structure. More information about both the Alverton parade and the one on Mazey Day itself will come home next week.

I want to thank you for your continued support and wish you a lovely weekend.

Mrs Simpson Acting Deputy Head



Staffing update

We are delighted to confirm that Mrs Wicks will be returning to her role as Deputy Headteacher for the new academic year. She will be working for 3 days per week from September. We will see her before that, however, as she will return to duties gradually in July.

Remember – safeguarding is everyone's responsibility

If you have a safeguarding concern, please contact Laura Simpson (Designated Safeguarding Lead) at

<u>Isimpson@alverton.tpacademytrust.org</u> or, if it is out of school hours, please contact the Multi Agency Referral Unit on 0300 1231 116;

E-mail:

multiagencyreferralunit@cornwall.gov.uk

Reception Sports Day

The postponed Sports Day for Reception children is on **Tuesday 18th June** starting at 1.30pm. Entrance will be through the side gate by the nursery onto the field. The bottom field gate will remain locked until 3pm.

Children should wear their PE kit to school on the day of their Sports Day as well as on their normal PPA day.

Frozen photos

All the photos taken of the Frozen show are now available to see in a folder in reception where you can order copies. Please complete a form and hand in with the correct amount in cash to the office by Friday 28th June at the latest. Prints cost £1 each.

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HELP YOUR SHELF

How it Works

It's all free.

Take what you need, whenever you need it.



No Questions Asked - No Judgements Made

Give what you can if you would like to.

Donations wanted

Our Help Your Shelf is looking rather bare. If you are able to bring in any non-perishable food items, cleaning products or toiletries, we would be very grateful. These will all go to helping our families and community. Thank you very much.

Wanted!

Please could Year 1 and 2 bring in a large cereal box (or cardboard of a similar size) next week ready for our Mazey making. Please could Owls class only also bring in a kitchen roll tube.

Your help is very much appreciated and you will see the fantastic results in a few weeks time. Thank you.

FOAS Summer Fair

FOAS would be very grateful for any good quality raffle prizes for the Summer Fair Raffle. Items such as wine and chocolates. days out, etc would be very gratefully received. Please no second hand gifts - good quality, new, suitable items only. Many thanks for your support.

Raffle tickets on sale soon

Raffle tickets will come home soon so please buy some if you can and sell them to friends and family. Fantastic prizes to be won!





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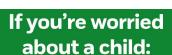
NHS Foundation Trust

The Trust has its own Out of Hours telephone support provided by Support Matters
Cornwall. This service operates from 5pm to 9am on weekdays and 24 hours a day at weekends and bank holidays. The service is open to all patients (aged 16+) under the care of the Trust's mental health services. Support can be delivered over the telephone, via text, email or web chat. Call free on **0800 001 4330**.

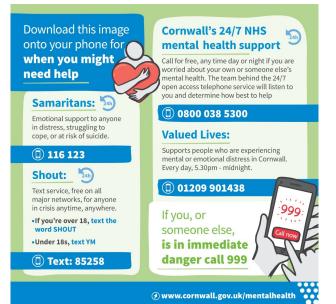








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Penzance CTIPA Foodbank

The CTIPA Foodbank in Penzance provides food for anyone in need. If their support would be helpful to you, just phone Veryan or Adele in the office in confidence on 01736 364087 and they can phone the Foodbank for you who will be able to help.

The Foodbank are extremely busy at the moment and are very grateful for any donations.







NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELPLINE 0808 2000 247 24/7 CONFIDENTIAL FREEPHONE



WCWAid West Cornwall Women's Aid

01736 367539 https://www.wcwaid.co.uk/helpline



There is a lot of help and advice available to help you keep your children safe online. Have a look at the Online Safety section of our website for lots of useful information and links http://www.alverton.org.uk/website/online_safety for families/246722. Your child's teacher will also always be happy to talk to you about online safety.

Free School Meals / Pupil Premium

https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/

Registering a child as eligible for free school meals (as described below) means that your child receives a free meal every day (though they can, of course, bring a packed lunch should they prefer) but there are additional benefits too. Pupil Premium brings more money into the school to help children achieve and learn. Children in receipt of the Pupil Premium also receive other benefits (eg contributions towards Key Stage 2 camps and funding to use for uniform, music lessons, trips etc). At some times, there are further benefits for these children such as food vouchers during holiday times where these are given. Please see the Pupil Premium Provision Map in the Pupil Premium section of our website http://www.alverton.org.uk/website/pupil premium/172518 or speak to Mrs Gill or Mrs Stacey in the office or contact Mrs Simpson who leads our Pupil Premium provision.

The easiest and quickest way to apply for free school meals is online through the Cornwall Council website but, if you are unable to do this, you can call the Free School Meals team on 01872 323298 and a member of the team will call you back to complete the application over the phone.

A child is eligible for free school meals if their parent / carer (or the child themselves) receives any of the following benefits:

- · Income Support (IS)
- · Job Seekers' Allowance (Income-Based) and equal based Job Seekers Allowance
- · Income Related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA-IR) and equal based Employment and Support Allowance
- · Child Tax Credit (CTC) with an annual income of less than £16,190
- · Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Guarantee Element of Pension Credit (GPC)
- · Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 (IAA) Support
- · Universal Credit your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get) as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods

If you are claiming the benefits listed below you are NOT eligible for free school meals, regardless of what other benefits / credits are being claimed:

- · Working Tax Credit
- · Contribution-Based Job Seeker's Allowance and / or Contribution-Based Employment and Support Allowance

NB All Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils are entitled to receive a free school meal as part of the Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) initiative, regardless of what benefits are being claimed. However, some children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 may also have an entitlement to benefits-related free school meals and it is important to apply for these if you think your child may be eligible.

Registering for free school meals / Pupil Premium is confidential. If you think that your child is eligible, we strongly recommend that you contact Cornwall Council as detailed above. Mrs Gill and Mrs Stacey in the office will also be able to help you and answer any questions you may have.

Thank you.

To sign up please click on the link:

https://forms.office.com/e/sNHmSJgk0q









I had a lovely coffee and a chat with a friend recently but was genuinely surprised to learn that a mutual friend has been stressed for some time, without realising it, until they in turn sat down and chatted. It really highlights to me the importance of talking, chatting, being with friends, not just being a parent or a teacher or any of the other myriad roles we all

have. We must make time for ourselves, to be us, ourselves, adults (or big kids), not always mum or dad or anybody else for others, just us for our own sakes. Can I help? You bet, come and chat. If not to me, find a friend. You may feel better, they may feel better - you have nothing to lose and everything to gain. Until then, lots of love, Mrs D xxxxxx

DIARY DATES	
Tuesday 18th June	Reception Sports Day
1.30pm	
Tuesday 25th June	New Reception parents meeting
5.30pm	
Thursday 27th June	Alverton Mazey Parade
9.30am	
Friday 28th June	Year 6 Pendennis trip
Saturday 29th June	Mazey Day
	Parade time TBC
Tuesday 2nd July	Year 6 transition day at Humphry Davy & Mounts Bay
Wednesday 3rd-Friday 5th July	Year 6 London
Friday 12th July 3.15pm	FOAS Summer Fair
Tuesday 23rd July 1.30pm	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Tuesday 23rd July	School closes at 3.15pm for the Summer holidays
Wednesday 24th July	INSET Day - school closed
Thursday 25th July-Monday 2nd September	Summer holidays
Tuesday 3rd September	INSET Day - school closed
Wednesday 4th September	Autumn term begins



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