



Alver Valley News



14 June 2019

Important Dates:

17.06.19 Infant Sports Day 10.30—12.00

18.06.19 Summer Fayre

24.06.19 Junior Sports Day 10.30—12.00

28.06.19 INSET Day

02.07.19 Year 6 Portsmouth University Trip

04.07.19 Year 2 Paultons Park

9—11.07.19 Y6 Transition (Bay House & Brune Park)

16.07.19 In school transition morning

17.07.19 School Production 6.30pm

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Highest Attendance:

Did you know?

Regular attenders find school routines, schoolwork and friendships easier to cope with

	Infant School	Junior School
	1M	5JW
13.05.19	97.2%	100%
	Kingfishers	4E & 5B
20.05.19	100%	98.5%
	2H	5B
03.06.19	100%	100%

SUMMER

The final countdown!

We are whizzing through the last half term of this academic year and we have so much to fit in we're really not sure how we're going to do it! Sports days, transition days, the Summer Fayre, a summer production, trips and so much more, definitely a very busy end to this year.



During our transition times we will have new children joining us in Year 3 and some of our Nursery children will be moving up to the Reception class along with children from other preschools. We look forward to welcoming them all.



Nursery

We will soon be allocating places for those children due to start Nursery in September. If you would like your child to attend our nursery please contact the school office for an application pack and more information.

We are always delighted to show parents with young children our amazing Nursery provision, if you would like to visit us please call us or email, using the details at the bottom of the newsletter.

Early Birds

We have noticed some children are arriving at school very early. Please ensure your child does not arrive at school before 8.30 as they will be unsupervised before this time. Children should only be on site before 8.30 if they attend breakfast club or are



Lunchtime changes!

Your child may have told you about our new lunchtime routine which we started during last half term. We wanted to cut down on food waste, and encourage good table manners so this is what we did:



The tables have coloured coded runners on them so the children know where to sit depending on their dinner choice. The food is already on the tables when they come into the hall.



Each Table has a designated server, who wears an apron (in the infant school) and serves the food, and a clearer who clears the table when all of the children have finished eating. The children wait until everyone on their table has been served before they begin eating. They are able to help themselves to the salad and bread on the table.



Before they are able to have their dessert, everyone must finish their main course. We have found that this system has led to less wasted food. In each school everyone is having lunch together so there are more staff on hand to help those children whose cutlery skills are still developing, and to give reminders about good table manners.

We are very pleased with this new routine and would like to say a big thank you to all of the children and lunchtime staff who have been so positive about the changes.

D-Day Anniversary

With all of the D-Day celebrations going on around us and to help the children to understand the importance of D-Day, Mrs Roseblade held a KS2 assembly to explain what happened and why. We would like to add our grateful thanks to everyone who lost their lives during that time.



School Uniform Orders

So that we are more environmentally friendly and cut down the amount of paper we use, we have introduced an online ordering system for school uniform. Please use our online system, Scopay to order and pay for any items you need, and the office will inform you as soon as your order is ready.

As a reminder our school uniform is as follows:

Girls: Jade green sweatshirt/cardigan, grey skirt/trousers/pinafore, white polo shirt, black flat shoes. During warmer weather a green school dress or grey shorts may be worn.

Boys: Jade green sweatshirt, grey trousers, white polo shirt, black shoes. During warmer weather grey shorts may be worn.

Our school uniform also includes a **full PE kit** which comprises:

Black shorts, white round neck t-shirt and plimsolls or trainers all in a named bag, preferably not a carrier bag as they are not robust enough.



Data collection sheets



IMPORTANT!
PLEASE READ

During last term the school office sent home data collection sheets to be completed by parents or carers. As well as confirming or updating your contact details these collection sheets have some new permissions on them which you need to sign and return. If you have misplaced your sheet please contact the school office who will provide you with a replacement.



School Dinner Increase

From September a school lunch will increase to £2.40 per day or £12.00 per week. If you pay for school lunches please continue to use our online Scopay system to credit your account.

Pyjamarama Day

Thank you to everyone who joined in the fun last Friday.

We joined in with the Book Trust's Pyjamarama Day which was aimed at promoting reading books together at bedtime.

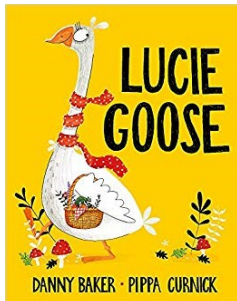
Story sessions were held in the infant library, and Mrs Smith read stories with all the fairy lights on...it was very cosy!



Book Ideas for June

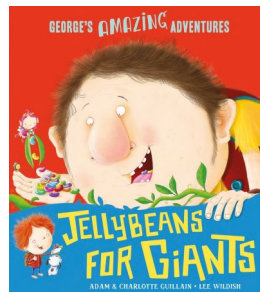
As part of our reading for pleasure programme every month we will now feature books recommended for each year group. If you would like a more comprehensive list of recommended books please email us, ask your child's teacher or at the office, and Mrs Smith will be delighted to provide you with one. The following are some recommended reads for June.

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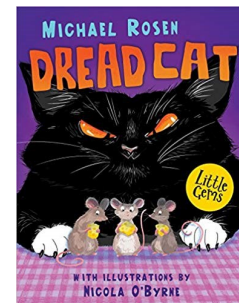
Lucie Goose
Danny Baker

Year 1



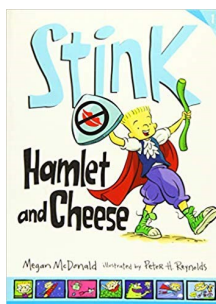
Jellybeans for Giants
Adam & Charlotte Guillain

Year 2



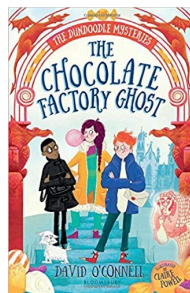
Dread Cat
Michael Rosen

Year 3



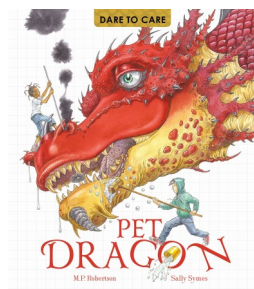
Hamlet & Cheese
Megan McDonald

Year 4



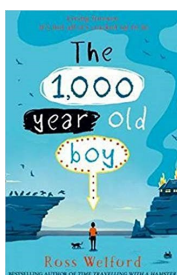
The chocolate factory ghost
David O'Connell

Year 5



Pet Dragon
Sally Symes

Year 6



1000 year old boy
Ross Welford

Caught Reading!

Where is the strangest place you've been caught reading? Send in your photos to the school email address (below) of the most unusual, but safe places you've been caught reading. Mrs Smith will display them in the School Libraries and on the website.

