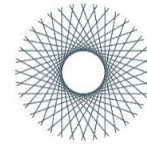




# Alban Wood Primary School and Nursery

## Newsletter: Issue 1 2018-2019



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### Note from Mrs Pinder

Welcome Back! I hope you all had a good summer break and ready for this new academic year. I would like to invite you all to an Information Session and Meet the Teacher on Wednesday 12th September from 2.40pm to 5pm, where you will hear about the school's vision and priorities for this year and have an opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher to talk about the procedures and curriculum. I do hope to see you all there.

### Diary Dates

12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Information session and Meet the Teacher: 2.40 to 4.30pm
19 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Individual School Photos
24-27 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Y6 Trip - Hudnall Park
27 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Macmillan Coffee Morning 9.15am Donations of cakes welcome.
28 <sup>th</sup> Sept	School Closed - INSET DAY
4 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Y4 Tri Golf Y5/6 Girls Tag Rugby
5 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Yr6 Hudnall Park Assembly: 2.30pm
23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Parent Consultations: 2.15 - 7pm (School closes at 2.00pm)
24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Y4 Tri Golf Final Parent Consultations: 3.30 - 5.00pm
29 <sup>th</sup> Oct-2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Half Term Break

### Friday assembly - celebrations!

During our weekly celebration assembly on a Friday we like to celebrate achievements both in and out of the classroom. If your child has received an award, certificate or trophy for an out of school achievement (sporting or other) please bring it in on a Friday so that the whole school can celebrate this.



### Moving On 2019 (or 2020)

Local secondary schools will be holding their annual open evenings / events throughout September and October. I recommend that if your child is in Year 5 or 6 you consider looking around all the secondary schools in the area. More information about secondary transfer can be found at [Hertfordshire Admissions](#).  
**The deadline for applying for a secondary school place, if your child is in Year 6 is Wednesday 31st October 2018.**

### Communication and working together

We want to work in partnership with all parents and have an open door policy. If you would like to speak to your child's class teacher please leave a message at the office, speak to them before or after school or email them via the office.

### Security of our School Site

I would request parents continue to support their children to walk on the path and not in the middle of the car park - thank you for your support with this. In addition can I remind you that no cars (except disabled blue badge holders) and dogs are not permitted on the school site.

### Attendance

As a new academic year begins, please can I remind all parents of the Alban Wood attendance policy - copies to be found in our main reception area. Excellent attendance is paramount to children's wellbeing, future success and to achieving their best in learning, and the governing body and leaders at Alban Wood are fully committed to forming an excellent partnership between home and school to support all children and families with this aim. Our policy states that we are unable to authorise any leave of absence for holidays. Please check our school term dates (our website or term cards in the office).

### Wrap Around Care Assistant Vacancy

If you are interested please check the Teach in Herts website for more information.

### Pupil Premium Funding

Your child may qualify for additional funding for the school if you are in receipt of certain benefits.

- Income Support
  - Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
  - Income-related Employment Support Allowance
  - Child Tax Credit (providing you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
  - Pension Credit (Guarantee Credit)
  - Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
  - Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- The school office can help you with how to apply for this funding. Every penny helps!

### Nut Free School

Alban Wood is a nut free school so we request that parents do not send children with nut based items in their packed lunches or snacks at playtime. This is to ensure the health and safety of pupils with allergies. In addition to this we request that parents are mindful of this if sending in birthday sweets, cakes, snacks. We will always ask children to eat their treat when they are with their parent rather than before. We thank you for your understanding and support with this important matter.