

Congratulations to our attendance cup winners!

RS 97.9% 2G 96% 5B 95.3%

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome to Summer Term!

We have come back to school to find the daffodils are out in bloom and a lot of new growth on the living wall in Ben's Garden and around the school and there is a real sense of new life and new beginnings (we even have four ducklings that have hatched in EYFS!).

There are a lot of exciting things happening this term; Sports Day, Community Makeover Day, 5p Race, King Charles' Coronation Street Party, school photos, Year 6 Fairplay House Residential, Spring Disco, Pupil Achievement Awards, Summer Fair and so many other events. We hope that as many of you as possible can join us for them! More details for some of these further in the newsletter.

You will know that the four curriculum intent areas that drive all learning in our school are:

Confidence, Independence, Curiosity & Involvement. The **Community Makeover Day** coming up on Saturday 20th May is a wonderful way to bring your children along to get **involved** with helping to spruce up their school and give something back—which is an important sentiment for us here at Aldersbrook. Please join us from **12-4pm** on the day: we will be digging, painting and having a few laughs so bring some paint brushes, gardening tools and old clothes. It really is a lovely community day as well. (See details over).

Key Stage 1&2 SATs are coming up over the next few weeks so we wish the pupils in Year 2 & 6 the best of luck with those. The teachers have been working tirelessly to get the pupils ready in a way that won't stress them out too much and we thank them for their commitment & energy.

We will be holding a Street Party afternoon for **King Charles' Coronation** on **Friday 12th May** (see over for more details). As SATs test are running that morning, the street party will be for pupils only as it will be quite tight to get through all the classes in one afternoon, but we would love it if you could join us at the end of the school day for a cup of tea, cake and some music.

School Photos will be going ahead as usual this term, starting from Monday 22nd until Wednesday 24th (dependent on weather as our photos are outside, as requested by parents). Can we ask that your child comes to school in full uniform on those days and for full attendance so that no one is missing from class photos! Bring PE kits with you on those days. More information to follow from the office.

Party Pooper time: we have already had several requests for additional time for holidays to be taken outside of the holiday periods of the May half term or Summer holidays. We have **thirteen weeks** of holidays per year and all holidays should be taken in these times. Every day of learning is important and school will not grant permission for holidays in other times when we have so many weeks to plan them in.

Summer Term 2 also sees the start of our **Relationships, Sex & Health Education (RSHE)** lessons with all pupils which emphasise how pupils can keep themselves safe and be educated about their own body and how it works. The lessons we use are age appropriate and aimed at empowering all pupils to be **educated & confident** with their growing body. We are holding a parent information session after school on Thursday 18th May in the KS1 playground, where your class teachers and senior leadership team can answer any questions and show you the resources we use.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Monday 1 May May Day Bank Holiday

Tuesday 2 May School closed due to industrial action

Wednesday 3 May Special menu for school meal for Coronation—please prebook

Wednesday 3 May anti bullying workshop in school

Thursday 4 May PTA Winy Night

Friday 5 May Spring Disco

Monday 8 May Coronation Bank Holiday

Tuesday 9—Friday 12 May Year 6 SATs week

Friday 12 May Coronation Street Party for pupils

Thursday 18 May Year 6 Junior Citizen Scheme

Saturday 20 May Community Makeover Day in school

Monday 22—Thursday 25 May school photos in school this week

Friday 26 May 5p Race in school and cake sale after school. Last day of school before half term

Our Value of the month: is...





**Kings Crown Sausage Roll
Kings Crown Halal Sausage Roll
Sovereign's Twist**

**with Royal Roasties
Golden Coins & Crown Emeralds**

**Followed by
Royal Sponge**

King Charles' Coronation Street Party: Friday 12th May

So that we do not interrupt any of the pupils 'SATs tests, we will be holding a street party for pupils to celebrate the coronation of King Charles on Friday 12th May in the afternoon.

The street parties will be held after lunch (hopefully outside!) and we hope that parents can also join us for a cup of tea/ slice of cake after school that day to add to the celebrations.

Pupils have chosen some things to make for the day that reflect their hopes for the King and we will display these on tables in the KS1 playground for parents to see.

All we ask is that parents/carers send in a **party plate** for their child on the day— crisps/ snacks/ fruit, covered in cling-film or foil so that they can last until the afternoon slot. Due to allergies across the school can we ask that no products containing nuts are sent in. Please ensure your child's name is labelled on their plate.

If you are able to help us by donating or making cake on the day, that would be wonderful. Please drop off in the morning to Mr Hughes/ Ms Crouch or office.



ISS have created a special coronation lunch menu for our children for Wednesday 3 May.

Please pre-book as usual on Feeding Hungry Minds.

Come and Join...
St Gabriel's Children's Choir



Join us on Sundays from 11.30am – 12.15pm for our next series of fun sessions. Open to ages 6+ (£1 per rehearsal).

Rehearsal Dates: 14th May, 21st May & 11th June

Fathers Day Service Performance - 10am Sunday 18th June

For more information or to book a place, call or email Fr Martyn:
07743 785884 vicar@stgabrielsaldersbrook.org.uk

Check your spam!

We are aware that emails from the school sometimes end up in Spam folders. Please make sure you add the school email address to your 'safe' list so that our communications get to you safely.

Thoughtful Thursdays—a reminder

Thank you all so much for the wonderful donations given to our Thoughtful Thursday foodbank. The difference these donations have made to local families is huge.

Just a reminder, please drop off any long life goods to the school playground on a Thursday morning.

If you are a family who could use a little extra help, please get in touch with Mr Hughes or Ms Crouch any day.



GIRLS FOOTBALL TRIUMPH AGAIN!

Well done to our girls football team who won the Redbridge Educational Partnership (REP) tournament. We played 6 games and won all 6, scoring 27 goals and conceding 0. We defeated Cleveland Primary in the finals 4 - 0.

Thank you to Mr Hussain and Vic for coaching the team.

TCM mini Marathon

50 children from the school took part in the TCM mini marathon last weekend. This is a 1 mile run in central London, on part of the London Marathon course. The children had a brilliant day and all won medals. The school will get £10 for each child who completed the course, which will be used to boost our sports equipment in school.

Well done to you all!



Ofsted Stress

You may have heard in the press recently of the additional stress that many people in the education sector feel that the current Ofsted inspection arrangements can have on schools. As a school in the Ofsted window we can fully understand the concerns and we hope that the government listens to advice from professionals in the sector.

The local authority have asked us to pass on a letter from Cllr Jas Athal sent to the Chief Inspector for Education, Amanda Spielman outlining the concerns that Redbridge have. (please see attached to this newsletter email)

How can you help? Log onto Ofsted ParentView and give some helpful feedback for the school: <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>



Community Makeover Day

The school community makeover day will be on **Saturday 20th May from 12pm – 4pm.**

We invite families to come together to help look after the school by volunteering to do some hard (ish) graft.

This year's tasks include painting the railings outside reception (to match the new awning that you may have seen going up), repairing the planters in front of the library bus and replanting in them, as well as repairing the bus itself. If anyone is particularly skilled in **bus body repair**, please let us know... we need your help!

We will be providing food and refreshments to the workers. It's usually a really fun day, we'd love to see you there.

Please contact the PTA

(aldersbrookpta@gmail.com or by whatsapp) if you'd like to be involved.

Reminder: start saving 5p coins NOW!

Winyl Night

There are still a few tickets left for the 'Winyl' night on 4th May.

The concept is simple...come along, drink some wine (or any tippie of your choice) and listen to some vinyl. Bring your own or listen to what the Gibson clan and Mr Hughes have to offer! It WILL involve Whitney Houston at some point but a wide range of other less talented singers & bands will also be played. Bring your favourite song along and we will treat your vinyl with the highest respect & care!

There will also be a muagician and table games to keep you entertained! Get a group together and come along to support this great fundraiser. All money raised goes back to benefit your children!

Tickets on sale here:

<https://aldersbrook-primary-school-pta.sumupstore.com/product/>

WE ARE RECRUITING

We are looking to increase our amazing team of Midday Assistants in school. This is a great opportunity to get involved in life in school and fits easily around the school run. Please have a look on the school website for more details.

Struggling?

ILFORD COMMUNITY GROCERY

Ilford community grocery have set up a scheme for residents who are struggling financially- it has been set up to support families with grocery shopping. Residents can join the scheme by paying £5 annually and they can go to city gates and get groceries (mini shop) for maximum of £4 (<https://communitygrocery.org.uk>)

City Gates

25 – 29 Clements Road

Ilford

IG1 1BH

OPENING 28th MARCH

Monday – Friday 9:30am – 4:30pm

Please see Mr Hughes or Ms Crouch on the gate if you need any help. It is confidential and we WILL help.

Park Road Arts presents

FAMILY CONCERT

with world-class musicians from the
Philharmonia Orchestra
classical, pop and film hits

14 May 2023 @ 2PM & 4PM

St Gabriel's Church
12 Aldersbrook Road, London E12 5HH



tickets and
more information

artfamily.eventbrite.com

audience participation, musical drawing, Q&A
listen/imagine/create



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Plant Sale



St Gabriel's Church Hall,
Park Road, London E12

Sat 29 April 2023
11am - 1pm Free Entry

Bedding
Fruit & Herbs
Vegetable Plants
Perennials
Help & Advice
Refreshments
Raffle



Supporting Aldersbrook Uniformed Groups

ALDERSBROOK PTA AND 'DJ HUGHES' PRESENT

WINE & VINYL NIGHT



COME ALONG WITH YOUR VINYL AND
PLAY YOUR FAVOURITE TRACKS

OR

REQUEST YOUR FAVOURITE TRACKS
FROM SOMEONE ELSE'S VINYL...

...WHILST DRINKING WINE!

4 MAY 2023

TICKETS £10 / SOLD HERE | BAR OPENS 7PM | REQUESTS ROLL IN FROM 7.30PM | KS2 HALL

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PRIMARY SCHOOL OFFER!

Basketball Play-off Finals, Sunday 14th May 2023 at The O2, London Doors
open 12.30pm | Women's (WBBL) Play-off Final 1.15pm | Men's (BBL) Play-off Final 4.15pm

We have teamed up with the British Basketball League (BBL) to offer our pupils the opportunity to attend the **Basketball Play-off Finals** at **The O2, London** on **Sunday 14th May 2023**. This will be our school's chance to experience the magic of Play-off Finals Day at our special rate so make sure you don't miss out!

By purchasing tickets for the Basketball Play-off Finals, you will get the chance to experience the thrill of the two top teams from the elite men's (BBL) and women's (WBBL) British Basketball League as they battle it out in this spectacular double-bill for two of the most prestigious and special trophies on offer in the sport.

As well as the showpiece games you will be treated to fantastic entertainment including MC's, music, dancers and Larry the dunking mascot and you have an entire day of the very best action and entertainment that British Basketball has to offer.

Tickets for this game are available to our school pupils and their families and friends at only **£10 per ticket**

To purchase tickets please order online by following the below link and using your unique school code:

Or complete the below booking form and return to the British Basketball League Ltd, Unit E3 Leicester Business Centre, 111 Ross Walk, Leicester LE4 5HH. Alternatively, you can contact the BBL via email at wenzdae@bbl.org.uk or call 0116 266 3339.

www.bblshop.org.uk/products/2023playoffprimary don't forget to enter your unique code **207**

No. of Adults @ £10 per ticket	No. of Children @ £10 per ticket	Total Price

Please note you will have to make your own way to and from the O2 Arena, London and tickets are subject to availability.

School Name: _____ School Town City: _____

Your Name: _____ Contact No.: _____

Home Address: _____

Post Code: _____ Email Address: _____