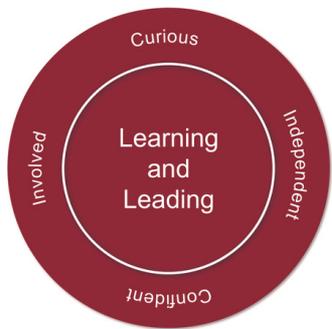


ALDERSBROOK NEWS

Friday 12th January 2024

THE SCHOOL VISION



I wanted to take a moment to share our school vision with all you amazing parents. Here at Aldersbrook, we believe in Learning and Leading. Our aim is to foster a love for learning and empower our students to become leaders in their own right. We want them to be curious, independent, confident, and fully involved in their education.

Our curriculum is designed to support these goals, providing our children with the tools and opportunities they need to thrive.

We're committed to nurturing their curiosity, encouraging them to ask questions, and helping them develop the skills they need to find their own answers.

Thank you for being a part of our incredible journey at Aldersbrook Primary. Together, we can create a bright future for our children.

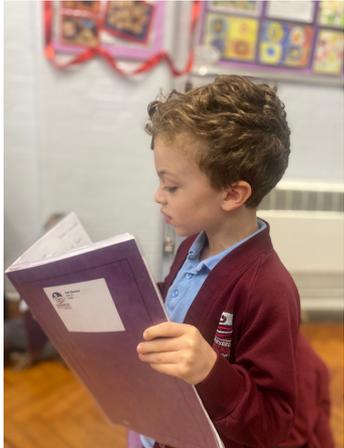
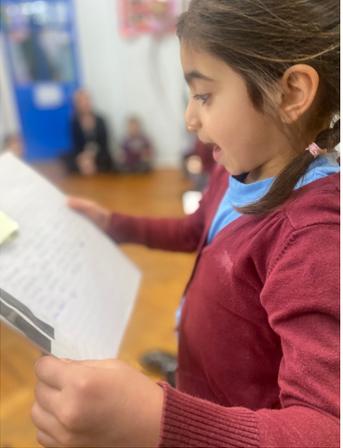
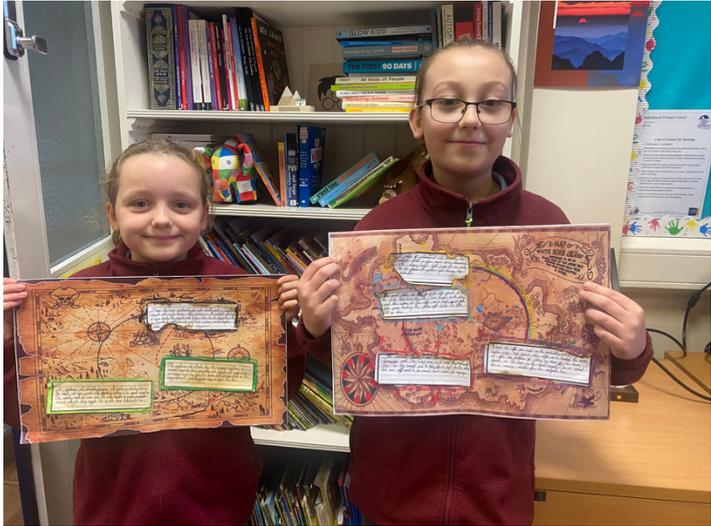
Now, onto some exciting news. We're looking to update and re-vamp the KS2 toilets. We want to create a space that is inviting and comfortable for our older students. But here's the thing - we need your help! We're wondering if any of you lovely parents have a business or company that could sponsor the work or support us in making this happen. We would be forever grateful for any assistance!

If you think you can lend a helping hand, please get in touch with us at the school office. We'd love to chat with you and explore any possibilities.

**WE
NEED
YOU!**

THIS WEEK AT ALDERSBROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL...

We have just concluded a fantastic writing week here at Aldersbrook Primary. The entire school has been engrossed in the captivating book, Quest, and our students have truly embraced the joy of storytelling. It has been a pleasure to witness their creativity and enthusiasm throughout the week. Take a look at some pictures of the week.





Can you volunteer an hour a week, or a regular morning or afternoon? We would love to hear from you! We'd like volunteers to read with children, help with resources and displays, help with small group, etc. If you can commit to a regular slot for a minimum of a term, please complete the Volunteer Form on the website and we can organise a DBS check for you.

<https://www.aldersbrook.redbridge.sch.uk/page/?title=Volunteering&pid=73>



The London Mayor has made a decision to extend universal free school meals to London primary school children for another year. This means that all children at Aldersbrook will now receive a nutritious lunch, completely free for this school year and next. However, if your family is in receipt of a qualifying benefit, you may also be eligible for what Redbridge calls 'Free School Meals' or Pupil Premium. To find out more about this, please visit the link provided below.

<https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/free-school-meals/>

But that's not all! At Aldersbrook, we believe in providing our students with the best support and opportunities possible. That's why, as part of our commitment to their education, every child who qualifies for Pupil Premium will receive a chrome book for use while they are at Aldersbrook. We also offer a free breakfast club to ensure our students start the day with a healthy meal, as well as a half-price CICI club for after-school care. Additionally, we organise educational visits and provide many more exciting opportunities for our students to learn and grow. For more information, please have a look on our website. Our Pupil Premium lead is Mr Hussain.

KEY DATES

JANUARY

- Tuesday 16th - Photographer in School for Website Photos
- Thursday 18th - 6R sharing assembly 2.45pm
- Tuesday 23rd - class 6G & 6M visit to the British Film Institute
- Thursday 25th - Year 2 History off the page visitor in school
- Thursday 25th - Class 4J educational visit
- Friday 26th - Year 6 WW 2 visitor in school followed by Sleepover 6pm
- Wednesday 31st - Year 1 Wizard's Stories visitor
- Wednesday 31st - Y5&6 music recital in school

FEBRUARY

- Thursday 1st - 4J sharing assembly 2.45pm
- Thursday 1st - class 4H educational visit
- Friday 2nd - Number Day! **DRESS UP**
- w/b 5th - Internet Safety Week
- Thursday 8th - Diversity & Inclusion Parent Workshop 8.30am in KS1 Hall

MARCH

- 7th - World Book Day - **DRESS UP**
- 7th - class 4HK educational visit
- Tuesday 12th - Parents Evening
- Wednesday 13th - Parents Evening
- Thursday 14th - 3R Sharing Assembly 2.45pm
- Friday 15th - Red Nose Day



NEW LOOK WEBSITE

Keep an eye out for a new look website coming soon! On Tuesday 16th January we will be having a photographer in school to take pictures to re-vamp and update the images on site. We will be adding and reorganising and hoping it will be a useful source of information for current and prospective parents.

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Our school is currently reviewing diversity across all aspects of our curriculum. We believe it is essential to celebrate and embrace the diverse cultures and backgrounds within our school community. To support this initiative, we have appointed an Equalities and Diversity Leader (Ms Brown) who will be available to answer any questions or concerns you may have. To find out more about our efforts to promote diversity, we invite you to attend a workshop where we will discuss our plans and initiatives in detail. This workshop will provide an opportunity for us to work together and ensure that Aldersbrook Primary continues to be an inclusive and supportive environment for all our students.

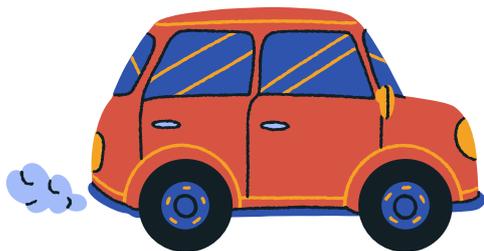
CHECK OUT THE SCHOOL CALENDAR!

We have a school calendar to help communicate and keep you informed. Keep checking back on it - occasionally we have to change dates due to unforeseen events - but we try to keep this to a minimum.

<https://www.aldersbrook.redbridge.sch.uk/calendar/?calid=1&pid=3&viewid=1>

READY

School officially starts at 8.50am and finishes at 3.20pm (3.30pm for Nursery). Soft start begins at 8.30am it gives children a calm, slower start to the morning so they are ready for learning. I would highly recommend taking advantage of this.



SAFE

I would like to take this opportunity to emphasize that the health and safety of our children and staff remains a top priority at Aldersbrook. The Senior Team will be reviewing our current processes and reflecting upon how we can further enhance the safety measures in place. Please keep an eye on future newsletters for more information regarding this important matter.



RESPECTFUL

We kindly request that parents refrain from parking their vehicles over our neighbours driveways during drop-off and pick-up times. It is essential that we show respect and consideration for others, ensuring that our actions do not inconvenience our community. By doing so, we can maintain positive relationships and continue to be good neighbours.

WELCOME FROM OUR SCHOOL CAPTAINS



“We are looking forward to this Spring Term. We have lots of exciting plans for trips and visitors. We will be meeting with Ms Crouch regularly to chat with her about our ideas. We can not wait to share them with you through this Newsletter.”



**AN EVENING OF
SPANISH GUITAR SOUL**

Sebastian Reyes returns to Aldersbrook
with Flamenco and Rumba rhythms
along with his own compositions

**19TH
JANUARY.
FRIDAY
8 PM**

Aldersbrook Lawn Tennis Club
(Blake Hall Crescent, Wanstead - E11 3RH)

£ 10.00

**SEBA
REYES**

Event proceeds will support the work of
ALTC - a not-for-profit community club.

Drawing Power....
Creative journeys in drawing
& image making

Half Term Art Workshops
Thursday 22nd
& Friday 23rd February
10am-3pm

£39 per day
(£70 for 2 days)

for all children age 6-11

venue: Wanstead Quaker House,
Bush Road, E11 3AU
spaces limited, booking essential
CONTACT: chris@insideoutarts.co.uk
07946075980

Children's Drama Classes
On Fridays after school at
The Quaker Meeting House, Bush Road, Aldersbrook

LAMDA Acting Exam Preparation Classes
On Tuesdays after school at
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Centre, Wanstead

7-8 year olds | 4pm
9-11 year olds | 5pm

Free trial class
bookings at
www.antoniodoggett.co.uk

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