



ALDERSBROOK
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Let's Learn Together.... Attendance Cup Winners

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Congratulations to classes 2G and 1H on winning the attendance cup for week ending 21.12.18

11th January 2019

Welcome Back

Welcome back to a new term and Happy New Year to all of our families and staff at Aldersbrook Primary School.

I hope that you all had a peaceful and wonderful break; the children were certainly very excited to come back and tell us all about their holidays! I hope that 2019 brings even more excitement about learning and the very best of luck for you all.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to congratulate Mrs Sowoolu on the birth of a baby girl and welcome new members of staff: Mrs Smith, Ms Young, Miss Rashid, Mrs Machado and Mr Elahi.

Mr Hughes

Free School Meals and Pupil Premium Funding

The Government is giving money to schools to help children from lower income families do their very best. This funding is called a 'Pupil Premium'. For every child registered, Aldersbrook Primary School will receive a maximum of £1320 this year. With this money we could provide:

- * Opportunities for funded learning support such as tuition and after school activities
- * Free maths, literacy and music tuition
- * Reduced costs for educational visits and residential trips
- * Subsidised after school clubs
- * Subsidised uniform vouchers
- * Free school 'Starter Pack' (including a dictionary, Maths resources, P.E bag etc.).
- * More interventions to accelerate your child's academic progress
- * Interventions to develop self-esteem, self-confidence and social emotional skills.

How to apply

To check if you qualify and to apply, visit:

www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/free-school-meals/

We are a NUT FREE SCHOOL.

As we have a number of children and staff in school with severe food allergies, please could we remind all parents that school premises are NUT FREE and no products containing nuts should be brought into school grounds. If children are bringing a packed lunch to school, it is important that there are no products in the lunch box that are nuts or contains nuts, this includes Nutella spread.



Reception Deadline

We would like to remind you that **Tuesday 15th January** is the deadline for Reception school admissions. This applies to children with birthdays from 1st September 2014 to 31st August 2015. This application can only be made online.

If you live in Redbridge you must apply for reception through the council even if the school is not in Redbridge. If you do not live in Redbridge you need to apply through your own council, this includes applying for a school place for a Redbridge school.

<https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/primary-school-admissions/>

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Forthcoming Events

- **For regular updates please take a look at our website**
www.aldersbrook.redbridge.sch.uk
- **15/1/19 - Closing date for Reception applications**
- **17/1/19 - 4M Sharing Assembly @ 2:45pm**
- **24/1/19 - 4B Sharing Assembly @ 2:45pm**
- **31/1/19 - 2W Sharing Assembly @ 2:45pm**
- **7/2/19 - 2G Sharing Assembly @ 2:45pm**

Our Value of the month: is...



Lost Property

At the end of last term we put all of our lost property on display in the playground. There was a worrying amount of clothes not claimed or labelled. Please take time this year to label all of your children's uniforms and PE bags so that they can be returned if lost - otherwise they are often thrown away as we simply do not have the space to store the vast amount of clothes left behind!

Stikin name labels can be purchased using the Aldersbrook PTA code of **292**, the PTA gets a percentage of each purchase. There is an easy button link on the school website, at the bottom of the homepage, which already has the code programmed in.

Parking reminder

Please can we remind parents that, when dropping children off at school in the morning, to be considerate to our neighbours and find a safe, legal place to stop. When collecting children at the end of the day please be respectful to our neighbours/ environment and community. Park where it is safe to do so and wait with engines turned off. Please do not park in front of any dropped kerbs. We are asking all parents that drive to school to be a role model to their children.

Music news

Most Friday lunchtimes, Mrs Henry will be running Music Practice Club from 12.15 to 12.55. This is for children who learn an instrument at school or outside school. If your child has been working particularly hard at a piece of music or needs some extra help they will get the opportunity to perform to Mrs Henry. This is a drop in club so no need to sign up for it. Please send your child to school with their instrument and music. It is important that your child comes to the club at the start of lunchtime and will be sent for their lunch immediately after the session.

If for any reason the session is not happening, there will be a note put on the door of the music room.

Parent Support needed for our children's Centre

Aldersbrook Children's Centre



Consultation on the Future Shape of Children's Centres

There is a 12-week period of consultation starting from 12th December 2018 to inform decisions on the future shape of the Redbridge's Children's Centres service. Through that consultation we will be seeking to hear views from anyone with an interest in the future of Redbridge Children's Centres.

This consultation will end on 6th March 2019.

On **Monday, 14th January 2019 at 9.30 to 11.30am** there will be an opportunity for service users and partner agencies to meet with Senior Managers from the Education and Inclusion Department to discuss the proposed options and ask your questions directly.

Venue: **Aldersbrook Children's Centre, Ingatestone Road, E12 5HE.**

If you are interested in attending, please let the reception know. If you can't attend but would like to ask a question, please let reception know and it will be asked on the day and response sent to you by email or letter if requested.

Email: aldersbrookcc@redbridge.gov.uk or Telephone: 0208-496-0100

You can take part in the consultation also through one of the following methods:

1. **On-line** via the link <https://engagement.redbridge.gov.uk/childrens/childrens-centres/>
2. **Paper copy** – ask the reception of your local Children's Centre Hub for information.