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Let's Learn Together....

### **Attendance Cup Winners**

Congratulations to classes 5K, 4I & 2H on winning the attendance cup for week ending 29.9.17

### **Aldersbrook Parking Consultation**

Redbridge Council are currently undertaking a consultation for proposed parking controls around the Aldersbrook and Lake House Estate. Many parents and staff have expressed their concern at this, as it will greatly affect parent access to the school to drop off and collect their children. It will also have a long-term impact on our ability to attract staff to work in the school if parking permits are required, despite working for the local authority.

The school is seeking support from the local authority and have made their views known via the consultation survey. We urge all parents, carers and staff who are part of the Aldersbrook community, to make your views heard via the online consultation process at: <http://www.redbridge.gov.uk/consultations>

### **iPad Repairs**

The school has a number of iPads which children all across the school use each day. With this number of pupils using them, this inevitably leads to some damage and accidents resulting in cracked screens. Do any parents or carers have any connections or businesses that could help us to make repairs? If you can, please contact the school office or Miss Sim at school.

### **Dates for diaries**

Please keep an eye on the website for any important dates across the year so that you have ample notice of any important school events. All dates for the year, including class sharing assemblies, term dates, all PTA events and parent information sessions are on the website for the full academic year. Educational visits will be added at least two weeks prior to the visit and notes will be sent to families about these.

### **Parent View**

Parent View is an Ofsted run website that all parents & carers of children at our school can leave feedback on. This is one of the main tools that Ofsted, the Local Authority and school governors use to judge the effectiveness of the school. Parents also use this site when deciding on schools to send their children to.

**We currently have 676 students on roll but only 13 responses.** We want to ensure we have as many responses on there as possible so that we have a range of balanced views from the whole school community.

**Please spend the short amount of time it takes to log on and leave your feedback.** If you need assistance with this, please see Mr Gibson or Mr Hughes at school. <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

### **Pupil Consultation Day**

Please remember that our Pupil Conference day will take place on **Friday 20th October 2017**. The school is closed for children on this day and information will be sent out in regards to making appointment times early next week. We will be trialling an online booking system which parents have requested. Please remember that pupils are expected to attend this meeting as we want them to be fully involved in discussing their targets and talking about their learning. **Nursery will remain open.**

ISS team will be providing school lunch samples for parents between 11:30am-1:30pm. If you would like to take part, please go the large hall.

Parents will be able to access the ICT suite if they need any assistance in completing application forms for Primary School (Reception) or Secondary school. A member of staff will be there to support you if needed.

6th October 2017

### **Forthcoming Events**

- **For regular updates please take a look at our website [www.aldersbrook.redbridge.sch.uk](http://www.aldersbrook.redbridge.sch.uk)**
- 10/10/17 - Harvest Celebrations at St Gabriel's Church  
Year 1 & 2: 9:30 -10:00  
Year 3 & 4:11:30-12:00  
Year 5 & 6: 2:30 - 3:00
- 11/10/17 - Year 1 & 2 Phonics Meeting at 5pm
- 14/10/17 - PTA Community Makeover Day
- 14/10/17 - Aldersbrook Farmers' Market: 10:00-14:00 at the Bowls Club
- 19/10/17 - Sharing Assembly 6B and 3D at 2:30pm
- 20/10/17 - Pupil Conference Day - Non pupil day (Nursery will remain open)
- October Half Term  
23/10/17 - 27/10/17

Our Value of the month is...



## **National Child Measurement Programme**

The NELFT Redbridge School Health Team (who work as part of the NHS) will shortly be coming to the school and measuring children's height and weight of pupils in Reception Year and in Year 6. This is as part of the National Child Measurement Programme. If you have a child in Reception Year or Year 6 you will receive a letter with information to explain about this in advance of when the measurements are taken. Result letters are sent out to parents approximately 6 weeks later.

## **Coffee Morning Feedback**

Many thanks to the parents and relatives that baked and came along for our McMillan coffee morning. We raised £103 and gathered some great feedback about how we are doing as a school. Please see below for what you feel we are doing well and areas we could improve in (with ways we will do this):

## **What's Working Well?**

- The school camping was an amazing bonding experience and opportunity for children to take part in activities in independently.
- We love Curiosity shop!
- Fantastic school Nursery
- Great selection of after school clubs
- A fantastic learning environment
- Wonderful welcoming school. Great staff. Amazing EYFS!
- All teachers at Aldersbrook are warm and friendly. Great team.
- My daughter loves school as much she wants to teach here.
- Always impressed with the happy & positive attitude of pupils and staff and atmosphere of the school – a great learning environment.

## **Even Better If...**

- We would like time to meet new teachers at the beginning of the year. *(The first two days of term next year, all staff will line up with the class for 'soft start' time 8:30-8:50am to meet with parents and carers).*
- Better promotion of crowd funding for school bus or have a fund-raising day for this! *(This will be advertised in school newsletters and PTA events will be raising funds for this and other projects for this year).*
- More selection of sports from reception, especially for girls. *(With increased Sports Premium funding this year we will be able to run more focused clubs across the school. More clubs have been set up for EYFS. We run an amazing range of clubs and we always have an 'equal access' policy for all clubs! Parents, you need to encourage your children to join a range of clubs over the year!)*
- Reading records are not written in by teachers *(Reading records are for parents & carers to let us know the reading their child is doing at home. Teachers often sign or stamp to show they have seen this and we check every week to make sure they are all returned. Detailed comments are not possible in these as staff work extremely hard to mark the school books pupils use across all subjects each day- which you will see at the Pupil Conference Day!).*
- Use story telling area more *(Timetables are set up over the warmer months and parents are invited to share stories there in the morning also. Watch out for the bus developments and outdoor reading area coming in the new year!)*
- Please consider taking homework off during the summer months (June & July) that way children have time to play and learn outside during those warm and long afternoons and evenings. *(We can never please everyone with homework- many parents ask for it, others object to it! We make sure any homework set is reasonable to complete- often a verbal task or can be done independently by the pupil. It is always linked to pupils' current learning and supports their progress in school).*
- Parents to have more interactions with teachers. *(Please see website calendar with the dates for full year and come along to the wide range of school events: Pupil Conference days, parent information evenings, parent-teacher evenings, community makeover day, gala concert...the list is endless. Don't forget teachers and SLT are in the playground at the end of the day, every day!)*

## **Message from Mrs Henry**

A massive thank you goes to the PTA for buying a recorder for every child in Year 2. A specialist teacher from Redbridge Music Service visits school every Monday. The whole class will have a lesson each week. There will be opportunities to hear them play very soon!

## **RBC Race for Kids 2017**

Adam and Ayden Uddin will participate in a 5k run to raise money for Great Ormond St. Hospital on 7th Oct in Hyde Park. The target is £100 and they would love to go over it. **PLEASE** help by making a donation using the link:

[http://events.gosh.org/site/TR?px=1187292&fr\\_id=1190&pg=personal](http://events.gosh.org/site/TR?px=1187292&fr_id=1190&pg=personal)

Adam Uddin 5B & Ayden Uddin 3J