



# Newsletter

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Dear Friends, Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful week! We have just been having so much fun learning at school. The week has been packed with wonderful learning experiences and the children have been bubbling with enthusiasm to share their adventures with me.

## Reception's Relentless Reading



This week, the Ladybirds and Butterflies have been learning all about non-fiction books! The children have enjoyed exploring the different features of non-fiction books. On Monday, they visited our new library area and had lots of fun sorting out fiction and



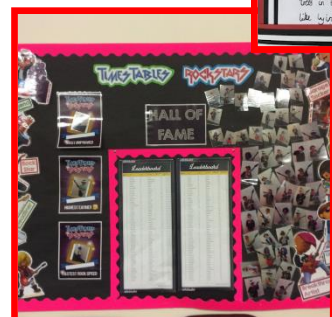
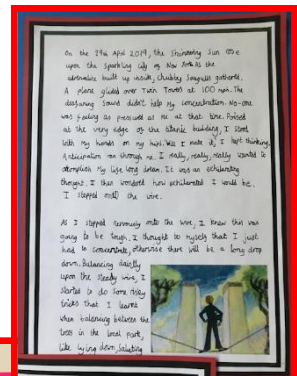
non-fiction. The children have discovered that non-fiction books have page numbers, labels and captions and have even learned how to use a contents page! On Tuesday, they were invited to bring in a non-fiction book from home to talk about. It was great to learn all about animals, tractors, plants and even the human body! The youngest members of our school as last Friday, they went to Alford library. They had a wonderful afternoon.



## Year 4 Adventurous Learning

Further up the school, Year 4 have been producing stunning writing entitled: 'The Man Who Walked Between the Towers'. In the writing, the children put themselves in the place of Philippe Petit, a man who balanced on a tightrope between the Twin Towers. What an adventure!

They have also been challenging themselves playing the 'Times Table Rockstars' challenge. Their progress has been stunning!



## Disco Divas and Dudes

On Wednesday, we had the end of term discos. The children enjoyed themselves immensely and in the process we raised **£459.00 PROFIT** to go towards resources for the school. Amazing work from the Friends of the School in organising it and all the adult helpers that came to support them and of course all our brilliant parents for supporting the event.

## Community Planting



After school Thursday, we had a great turnout for our work towards 'Alford in Bloom'. Many parents and children stayed after school to plant the flowers and seeds

that you have kindly donated. It was lovely to see the children's smiles as they produced stunning displays.

The children will be working as a team to keep their year group planter alive and well over the next few weeks. We are hoping they will be able to research and talk about where the flowers come from and the important role that plants have in keeping our planet healthy.



## The Royal Party

This week ended with a 'Right Royal Knees-up' in Year 1. All week, the children have been using their maths and writing skills to plan and prepare a party fit



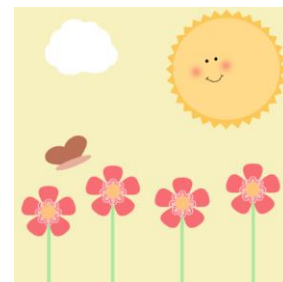
for a Royal birth. They have prepared pizza and created crowns. They dressed up in their best and have had a tea-party to celebrate the birth of Archie Harrison, son of Prince Harry and Meghan.



As I said ... a wonderful week!

Now we are all ready for a half-term rest. Have a lovely week and I'll see you all on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

Mrs Ross



## Attendance

Our attendance last week slipped slightly to **95%**.

Well done to both the Ladybirds and the Butterflies who had 100% attendance.

**Well done!**

## Sports Day

Sports Day this year will be held on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019** from **10am**. It will finish at approximately 11.45am after which you are all invited to join your children for a picnic on the school field. Children will go back into lessons at 1pm but if parents need to leave before then, children will be supervised as normal.

## Race 4 Life

A reminder that on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June, we will be holding our very own Race 4 Life event for Cancer Research UK.

On the day of the event, we would like all children to come to school in their PE kits. Depending on weather, they may need to bring sun cream and a hat. Across the whole school, the children will take part in a variety of activities surrounding healthy eating and exercise. The highlights of their day will be a sponsored run and a workout. The children will be running the following distances:

- Reception and the rest of KS1: **1km**
- Year 3 and 4: **2km**
- Year 5 and 6: **3km**

Alongside the running, each year group will complete an additional workout.

If you or anyone would like to kindly sponsor your child for their run and workout, a Race ForLife giving page has been set up for Alford Primary School to donate to following this link:

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/alford-primary-school>

The page is live and donations will go directly to Cancer Research.

## Would you like to support Callie

A reminder that one of our pupils, Callie, is having her hair cut for charity (Clic Sargent) on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June. Her hair will be donated to the Little Princess Trust, in Christian's name and funds raised will be donated in Keira's memory. Both Christian and Keira are former pupils of Alford Primary School and Callie is hoping to raise at least £200.

If you would like to donate or would like more information, please use the link below:

[https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/cu-tsforkeira?utm\\_id=25](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/cu-tsforkeira?utm_id=25)

## Diary Dates

Please find below some dates for your diary. More information will be sent out about events nearer the time.

Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Last day of term
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Return to School for the Summer term
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Caythorpe meeting for Y5/Y6 parents @ 5pm
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day @ 10am (weather permitting!)
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5/Y6 Caythorpe Residential Trip
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Y6 JSTC Induction Day
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 JSTC & QEGS Induction Day
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports and new classes to parents
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Term Production (Wind in the Willows) @ 6pm
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Leavers' BBQ and Rounders Match (details to follow)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Leavers' assembly (details to follow)



## **Year 6 Leavers' Party**

Parents have organised a leavers' party for children in Year 6. This will take place from 2.00pm – 4.30pm at Alford Cricket Club on **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July**. Admission is by ticket only.

Tickets are £1 each and are available from the School office, but this must be handed into the office in a named and sealed envelope as the money will be handed onto the organisers.

## **Community News**

### **Brownies and Rainbows**

Do you know anyone who would be interested in joining Brownies or Rainbows on a Monday evening at Alford Methodist Church?

Brownies is for girls aged 5 – 7 years and runs from 4.30pm – 5.30pm.

Rainbows is for girls aged 7 – 10 years and runs from 5.30pm – 7.00pm.

For more information, please phone 07597 794 042.

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### **Lincolnshire Chairs**

On Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm, William Sergeant will be giving a talk on Lincolnshire Chairs.

Entry fee is £7 for members and £8 for non-members (to include a light buffet at 7.15pm).

For more information please contact the Manor House on 01507 463 073.