

THIS WEEK'S NEWS

'Eco-School' | SuperHero Day | Thanks to the Co-op!

Office Online Links

Over the last year, with visitors not allowed into the building, we have created lots of online links to our usual forms and office goods such as uniform. Here they all are....

School Shop

The school shop is available through our school website to allow you to make a range of purchases or bookings at time convenient for you!

[Alford Primary School Web Shop](#)

Uniform, both new and pre-loved

[Uniform \(alfordprimary.co.uk\)](#)

PE Kit – including our fantastic House Team polo shirts

[PE KIT \(alfordprimary.co.uk\)](#)

Accessories – such as reading pets and book bags

[Accessories \(alfordprimary.co.uk\)](#)

Wrap around Care – we offer both a breakfast and after school club

[Online Bookings \(alfordprimary.co.uk\)](#)

Educational Visits – pay for any visit or trip easily

[Educational Visits \(alfordprimary.co.uk\)](#)



Dear Parents & Carers

I hope you are all well, happy and enjoying June. It has been a delightful start to the second half of the summer term: with the wonderful weather, there are many more chances for the children to be outside, being active with their learning.

With the easing of some restrictions, I know families are together more too. However, the complete lifting of social distancing has been pushed back until the 19th July at least. This means that nothing has relaxed in school and, unfortunately, we are not able to hold our sports days and end of term performances in the same way as we usually do. We are really sad about this but need to keep safe and secure.

The rest of this term is going to slip away - I can't believe that we only have 4 weeks (and a couple of days) until the Summer holiday.

With that in mind, I have included a few key dates for parents and carers below.

Have a lovely weekend.
Kind regards,

Mrs Ross

Website Links

Our school website contains online forms which may be completed if required when:

- your child has a medical need or requires medication to be administered whilst in school.
- You wish to request to take your child out of school during term time
- If you have a child due to start school in our EYFS class in September

The link to access all of these forms is: [Online Forms \(alfordprimary.co.uk\)](https://alfordprimary.co.uk/online-forms)

COVID-19 CASES?

We have been incredibly fortunate to have had no members of the school community test positive since before Christmas. However, if your child does test positive, please ring the school or email on:

primaryschool@alford.lincs.sch.uk

Please include:

- Subject line - COVID POSITIVE.
- Your child's name and class
- The date their symptoms started – and what the symptoms were.
- The date that they were tested – this must be a PCR test – not a lateral flow test.

This email account is constantly monitored and a member of the office staff will then contact you.

If a bubble is affected, then a ParentHub message will be sent. Please check your ParentHub regularly.

Upcoming Dates

Monday 12th July	Pupil Reports to Parents (including information regarding new classes)
Wednesday 7th July	Year 6 Wild Pines/FUN DAY 1
Wednesday 14th July	Children will get a chance to meet their new teachers
Thursday 15th July	Friends of The School whole-school Superhero Day - £1
Tuesday 20th July	Year 6 Awards and Rewards FUN DAY
Wednesday 21st July	Last Day of Term
Monday 6th September	Children return to school

Sports Days!

Unfortunately, due to the remaining restrictions on social distancing, we are unable to have parents in school for our Sports Days. Luckily, for the children, we will still be having them and will make sure we share lots of photos with you.

Eco-Commitment to the Environment!

At Alford Primary, we are passionate about the environment! Over the last year, we have taken steps to reduce our energy consumption, lowering our carbon emissions to support the planet.

We have installed solar panels on the roof and we have invested in LED lighting for our school. This will make a huge difference to our environmental impact and this is just the start of our sustainable journey.



Attendance

Attendance is now compulsory. If your child is unable to come to school, please ensure that you let school know using the usual methods.

Class Attendance for this week was:

Ladybirds - 97.9%

Butterflies - 98%

1H - 85.9%

1W - 89.6%

2CH - 97.9%

2HW - 98.5% - Well done 2HW

3B - 94.4%

3L - 96.7%

4BS - 94.4%

4K - 96%

5M - 92.2%

5S - 93.8%

6D - 97.4%

6HS - 94.7%

Term Dates

TERM 5: 2020/2021

Monday 19th April 2021 until
Friday 28th May 2021

Monday 3rd May - May Bank Holiday

TERM 6: 2020/2021

Monday 7th June 2021 until
Wednesday 21st July 2021

TERM 1: 2021/2022

Monday 6th September 2021 until
Thursday 21st October 2021

To help us invest in these energy saving measures, we've had grant funding from Smart Energy Greater Lincolnshire.

This £8.5 million Smart Energy programme has been part funded by the European Regional Development fund. This is enabling public buildings and small to medium businesses across the Greater Lincolnshire area invest in energy saving technology. A huge thanks to them for making it possible!

Superhero Day!

The Friends of the School are organising a fun day for children which will take place on Thursday 15th July. Children will be allowed to dress up as superheroes (or wear their own clothes – because they are our superheroes!) for a contribution of £1 – bring in on the day. Friends of the School have lots of fundraising activities planned for the next year and are looking for more parents to help support them with this. Let the school know if you are interested.



Piggies Paradise!

Alford Primary School has a real passion for reading and promoting a love of stories and books.

The arrival of our 'Pawsome Piggie' characters in school are really motivating and supporting the children to build on their reading comprehension skills.

As you already know, we also have our very own real life 'Pawsome Piggies' too! Have a look at their amazing new home - 'The Pawsome Piggies Reading Shed'!

Children across school will now be able to have special reading times with Robbie, Chase and Jeff! What an incredible reading incentive this will be!



Thanks to the CO-OP!

We had some good news this week when we heard that we have been successful with our funding application to the CO-OP.

Here is what they had to say...

'Thank you for registering to be part of our breakfast club funding, we're delighted to confirm that Lincolnshire Co-op will be raising money to support you this summer. Fundraising officially starts this Sunday, 6th June and ends on Saturday 4th September 2021. During this time, we'll be raising money for 189 local primary school breakfast clubs.

Funds will be raised through our Community Champions scheme. This pot comes from our members where a donation is made every time they use their dividend card, in store collection boxes, staff fundraising and carrier bag proceeds, so please encourage friends and family of those pupils to shop at their local Lincolnshire Co-op. All donations will go to a central pot to then be evenly distributed



Look into Learning!



There were some active Mathematicians out in the sunshine in Year 2 earlier this week! A variety of objects were hidden outside for the children to find, and then weigh using balance scales. The children were comparing the mass of objects, whilst learning how to use specific vocabulary. What a fun way to develop Maths skills!

Year 6 have been learning all about World War II. After discussing 'The Blitz', they looked at some work by Henry Moore, a famous 'War Artist'.

Look at their amazing recreations of his work! The piece of art work is called 'Grey Tube Shelter', and shows people huddling together in the Underground Station for safety. Stunning art work Year 6!





Year 4 have been learning all about the different features of a newspaper report this week, in preparation for writing their own reports! They had great fun in the sunshine searching for text and sorting it into 'facts' and 'opinions'! Fantastic learning Year 4!

Look what arrived in EYFS this week! The Ladybirds and Butterflies were extremely excited to discover the arrival of caterpillars! The children are going to be observing first-hand the life

cycle of a butterfly over the next few weeks!



As well as that, Skittles Science with Miss Spence! The Ladybirds and Butterflies explored what happened when water is added to a circle of Skittles. What a colourful and magical discovery! The children were in awe!



Upcoming Community Events

Sessions delivered by East Lindsey Children's Centres and your local area staff – Alford

Booking will not open until 8am the day after the session, any booking received prior to this can't be considered

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
9.00am – 12.00 Health Visitor Clinic To book an appointment please call 01522 843000	10.00am – 10.45am Baby Rhyme Time For babies aged 0-1 years EMAIL THE CENTRE TO BOOK	9.30am – 10.00am Virtual Rhyme Time (For children aged 0-5yrs) CLICK HERE TO REGISTER	9.00am – 1.00pm Antenatal Clinic To book an appointment please call 01507 631210	10.00am – 11.00am Stay and Play for Under 1's EMAIL THE CENTRE TO BOOK
9.30am – 10.00am Virtual Rhyme Time (For children aged 0-5yrs) CLICK HERE TO REGISTER	10.15am – 10.45am Virtual Skills Development Service – How Can We Help? CLICK HERE TO REGISTER	10.00am – 10.45am Rhyme Time Toddlers For children 1-5 years EMAIL THE CENTRE TO BOOK	10.15am – 10.45am Virtual Rhyme Time (For children aged 0-5yrs) CLICK HERE TO REGISTER	10.15am – 10.45am Virtual The Early Days (For babies born during Covid-19) CLICK HERE TO REGISTER
1.00pm – 2.00pm Learning Through Play Story time special for children aged 0-5 years EMAIL THE CENTRE TO BOOK	10.30am – 11.00am Virtual Chat and Chill Volunteer-led Group (Term Time Only) Delivered by Parent Volunteers CLICK HERE TO REGISTER	1.30pm – 2.30pm Toddler Outside Play Let's Get Active Ideal for 2-5 years (confident movers) but younger siblings welcome EMAIL THE CENTRE TO BOOK		10.30am – 11.00am Virtual Growing Talk (For children aged 0-5yrs) CLICK HERE TO REGISTER
2.00pm – 2.30pm Virtual The Early Days (For babies born during Covid-19) CLICK HERE TO REGISTER	1.00pm – 1.30pm Virtual Rhyme Time (For children aged 0-5yrs) CLICK HERE TO REGISTER		We appreciate that families may be disappointed if they are unable to access the session but we must continue to ensure everyone's safety is a priority. If you are unable to attend the session of your choice, please do ask for details of other sessions on offer that may be of interest to you.	GROW Your Own Confidence 4-week Course 12.30pm – 1.30pm Please email beststart@evalliance.org.uk to find out more or when the next course begins
For the majority of Centres we are taking bookings via e-mail only and spaces are allocated in order of receipt of request. We aim to offer services to as many families as possible which means if you have attended a Centre one week, you may not be successful in securing a place the next week.	1.00pm – 3.30pm Antenatal Clinic To book an appointment please call 01507 631210	To book a place on the sessions please e-mail the centre at the address below: alfordCC@lincolnshire.gov.uk		We are following government guidelines which means we still have to reduce the number of people in buildings. We are continually reviewing guidance and will look to add sessions when and where we are able as we want to give as many early years children as possible the opportunity to experience being with their peers.

14/15th August 2021, Alford
FREE ENTRY **10am-5pm**

ALFORD 1940's WEEKEND
 14th - 15th August 2021



RATION BOOK

Music by....."Eleanor Mattley"	Living History Displays	✓
DJ.....Major Swing	Dancing	✓
Market.....Vintage traders	Classic Period Vehicles	✓
BBMF Flypast.....TBC	Military Vehicles	✓
	"Cafes & Tearooms"	✓
	Ticketed Evening Event	✓

ALFORD 1940's Weekend
14th & 15th August 2021 10am - 5pm

Award given for best dressed Boy & Girl



Examples of WW2 evacuees

* Live Music, * Army & Civilian Vehicles,
 * Vintage Market, * Movie Poster Trail Competition,
 * Living History/Army Displays * RAF Flypast

ALFORD TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB
PLAYERS AND COACHES WANTED



WE ARE LOOKING FOR PLAYERS AGED 9 - 13
 (School Years 4 to 8)

COACHING DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED
AT ALFORD TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB
 EAST STREET, ALFORD, LN13 9EQ

FOR FURTHER DETAILS, PLEASE CONTACT ROB WILSON AT:
 07860 175326 or rob@wilsonpages.co.uk
 OR VISIT ONLINE AT WWW.ALFORTTOWNFC.CO.UK

 @AlfordTown_FC  thealfordtownfc  Alford Town Football Club

A Message from Michel Ducos at Alford Pottery...

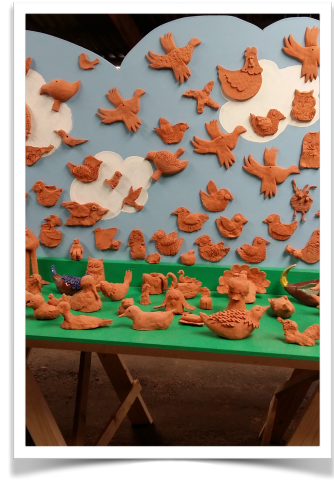
I hope you were all able to come and see the huge birds display which totalled 1225 at the end.

A lot of the birds made by your children were not collected and they are all on a stand in the yard of Alford Pottery and available for collection until the end of the month.

Having had them in storage for a year already ! I am unable to keep them after that and they might have to be disposed of or given away.

They are available "24/7" any time.

Please help yourselves and thank you for the biggest bird project ever achieved anywhere in the world as far as we know!



Goodbye!