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Upcoming School Events

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| Friday 19 th December | 2pm | Carol Service at St Andrews Church |
| Friday 19 th December | 3.15pm | Christmas Holidays Begin |
| Monday 5 th January 2015 | 8.43am | Children Return to School |
| Wednesday 14 th January | 3pm | Musical Instrument Lessons Meeting for Parents by Sue Whitehead |

Dear Parents/Guardians

Attendance

Our target is 96%.

| Week Beginning | Attendances | Authorised Absences | Unauthorised Absences | Lates |
|-------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------|
| 8 th December 2014 | 97.85% | 2.15% | 0.00% | 0.78% |

Last Day of Term Arrangements – Friday 19th December

On the last day of term, Friday 19th December, the children do not need to bring book bags to school. Please can children who have packed lunch bring their lunch to school, for this day only, in a plastic bag that can then be thrown away at the end of lunch. This is to reduce the number of items that need to be taken to church. The school will then be going to St Andrews Church for a traditional carol service at 2pm. Family members and friends are welcome to join us. **It is assumed that all children will be collected from the church after the service.** The school office must be notified if someone different is collecting your child/children.

Pearl Class News

Please can the children in Pearl Class make a 'Dinosaurland' in a shoe box over the Christmas holiday to start off the new topic. Let your imagination go wild! We look forward to seeing everyone's ideas when you bring them in upon our return on Monday 5th January.

Staff News

We are pleased to announce that Mr Mark Newbold will be joining our team at the start of next term as a midday supervisory assistant. He has experience of working with children as he has been involved with school holidays activities with the National Trust and we were very impressed with his abilities at interview.

Medicines

We would like to remind parents of our medicine procedure which is taken from the County directive: "Medicines should only be taken to a school setting where it would be detrimental to a child's health if it were not administered during the school/setting day. Only medicines that have been prescribed by a doctor, dentist, nurse prescriber or pharmacist prescriber should be accepted. The medicines should always be provided in the original container and include the prescribed instructions for administration, dosage and storage."

Clubs

A letter from Wave Leisure was sent out yesterday giving details of the clubs they will be running here at Alfriston School next term. Please note that the booking form and relevant payment must be received by the school office by 9am on Tuesday 6th January. Hard copies of this letter are available at the school office if required. All of their clubs will start the week commencing 12th January.

Gymnastics, run by Mrs Roussac-Evans, will re-start after school on Monday 5th January. Numbers for this club are limited but there are a few spaces available. The club is open to children in Sapphire and Emerald Classes with a cost of £21 for the term payable to Mrs Roussac-Evans.

Little Kickers commences after school on Tuesday 6th January and Little Rugby after school on Thursday 8th January. There are spaces available in both Little Rugby and Little Kickers and children in Pearl and Ruby Classes are able to join these clubs. Further details are available from Bev Levett on 01323 749640.

Our staff will also be running clubs next term, all of which will start the week commencing 12th January. Lego club will take place on Tuesday lunchtimes and will be open to children in Pearl and Ruby Classes. Choir, which is open to children in Year 2 as well as Sapphire and Emerald Classes, will take place on Tuesdays from 3.15pm – 4pm. Computing club will take place on Friday lunchtimes for children in Sapphire and Emerald Classes. Numbers to all of these clubs are limited and these clubs are free.

Please see the table below for a summary of clubs for next term. Clubs listed with an * are run by Wave Leisure and need to have the booking form and payment returned to the school office as per the letter sent home yesterday. For all clubs **NOT** organised by Wave Leisure, please complete the reply slip below and return to the school office by 9am on Tuesday 6th January.

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| Monday | Football | Lunchtime | Ruby Class* |
| | Gymnastics | 3.15pm – 4.15pm | Sapphire and Emerald Classes |
| | Multi Games | 3.15pm - 4.15pm | Sapphire and Emerald Classes* |
| Tuesday | Football | Lunchtime | Sapphire and Emerald Classes* |
| | Lego | Lunchtime | Pearl and Ruby Classes |
| | Choir | 3.15pm – 4pm | Years 2 – 6 |
| | Little Rugby | 3.15pm – 4.15pm | Pearl and Ruby Classes |
| | Netball | 3.15pm – 4.15pm | Sapphire and Emerald Classes* |
| Wednesday | Multi Games | Lunchtime | Sapphire and Emerald Classes* |
| | Sportshall Athletics | 3.15pm – 4.15pm | Ruby Class* |
| Thursday | Little Kickers | 3.15pm – 4.15pm | Pearl and Ruby Classes |
| Friday | Computing | Lunchtime | Sapphire and Emerald Classes |
| | Dance | 3.15pm – 4.15pm | Sapphire and Emerald Classes * |

Walk to School Week

We have just received the results for the Walk to School Week held in November. The overall winning school was Seaford Primary who won the trophy this time for the most children walking, scooting and cycling to school. Emerald Class was the winning class in our school and will soon be receiving a certificate in assembly.

News from the Friends of Alfriston School (FoAS)

A massive thank you to everyone who helped during our weekend of Christmas fundraising. So many people were involved throughout the weekend, making them pleasurable and fun events. We raised a brilliant £523.39. Over the last few weeks we have contributed towards the visiting pantomime, which the children loved, and paid for the school Christmas tree. The school are busy buying playground resources, which we will be able to tell you all about in January. Have a lovely Christmas and thank you for all your continued support.

Contact Friends of Alfriston School via email Foaschool@gmail.com

Next event: Thursday 8th January - FoAS coffee and planning 8.45am

From myself and all the staff at Alfriston School, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and best wishes for the New Year.

Yours sincerely

Lindsey Hudson
Acting Headteacher

Clubs Reply Slip

To be returned to the school office by 9am on Tuesday 6th January.

I give permission for my child/children to attend the following clubs:

Name of child/children.....Class.....

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| Club Name | | Day of the week | |
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Signed.....Date.....

Print Name.....