



Alfriston School



Fair, friendly, fulfilling and fun!

Newsletter - 18th July 2024

Lewes Castle Trip

Ruby Class had a wonderful visit to Lewes Castle. The children were very excited to travel by train and everyone demonstrated excellent behaviour as they represented Alfriston school. When they arrived, they were given a tour of the castle by a Norman servant called Alice. She led them around the castle where the children could identify the features that they had been learning about in class. After some lunch in the sun,



they explored the museum, watched an interactive film and got to try on various costumes.

It was a fantastic way to bring their learning to life!

School Uniform

In preparation for the new school year we wanted to take the opportunity to remind you of the school uniform requirements.

The uniform is based on the colours red and grey and all items can be purchased from local chain stores. The only item we specifically request you purchase with the school logo is the PE T-shirt. This, along with other uniform with the school logo, can be purchased through [School Trends](#). They sell sweatshirts, cardigans, polo shirts, PE T-shirts and fleeces. PE bags and book bags with the school logo and water bottles can be purchased from the school office.

We ask that all children have a book bag and that water bottles have a sport lid to help prevent spillages.

- Red jumper, cardigan, sweatshirt or school fleece.
- White shirt, or red or white polo shirt with collar.
- Grey or black plain skirt, pinafore dress, culottes, skort, trousers or shorts – no jeans, tracksuits, combat style trousers, sports shorts or leggings. Children can wear short, black (non showing) cycling shorts underneath their uniform.
- White, black, red or grey ankle or knee length socks or tights (**no** trainer socks).
- Plain black or red shoes/black ankle boots with low heels; these should be fastened by means of buckles, velcro or laces to ensure a good fit (**no** trainers). Sandals may be worn in the summer during hot weather but should have a secure back strap and not have open toes. All school shoes or sandals need to be worn with socks or tights.
- Red and white check/stripe school dress.

PE Kit

- Trainers (**not plimsolls**) with either lace or velco fastening to ensure a secure and safe fit.
- Red shorts (children are welcome to wear discreet short, black cycling shorts underneath their red shorts).
- White T-shirt with Alfriston logo
- Pair of white, black, red or grey socks (trainer socks may be worn for PE only)
- Black track suit bottoms are optional for outdoor PE.

These items are best kept in a drawstring bag, which should be brought to school on the first day each week and taken home at the end of the week for washing. PE bags are available to purchase from the office.

Long hair (below shoulder length) should always be tied back and any child with a long fringe should have it clipped back out of their face. Children should not come to school with dyed hair.

The only jewellery children should wear to school is a watch and small plain stud earrings for children with pierced ears (A reminder that all earrings will need to be removed by the child themselves before any PE lesson, including swimming).

No nail varnish, tattoos or make-up should be worn at school.

Parents whose children wear items or clothing for personal, cultural or religious reasons that are different to our school uniform policy are asked to inform us of the details.

Marvellous Makers
Summer Reading Challenge

Weekly Family Activities
July 22nd - Aug 31st

Crafter-noons Tuesday | 2.30pm-4.00pm
Use colouring, cutting, sticking and folding to creatively craft

Family Games Thursday | 3.30pm-5.00pm
Play one of our new games or design your own

Construct-a-noons Friday | 2.30pm-4.00pm
Use stacking, joining, cutting, sticking and folding to creatively build

Throughout the holidays
Colouring and a special SRC scavenger hunt!

Seaford Library
All ages welcome for these free drop-in activities
eastsussex.gov.uk/libraryevents

This is your library

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FoAS Summer Fair

We are pleased to announce that the FoAS raised over £1500 at the Summer Fair. A fantastic amount! Organising such a wonderful event takes a lot of hard work, both leading up to the day and on the day itself. We are so grateful to the small group who helped organise the fair and to everyone who donated and helped run a stall on the day, and a special thanks to the year 6 children - it couldn't have been done without you! Thank you all very much.

Celebration Event

Tomorrow at 9am, you are all invited to join the whole school outside on the playground. Each class have selected something to share with you that they are proud of and it will be an opportunity to have a whole school farewell before the summer holiday.

7 tips for keeping children reading through the summer

[Get top tips on avoiding the 'summer slump' from The Reader Teacher Scott Evans](#)



Parking

We have been contacted by Compass Travel who run the village bus service who have asked that parents/carers do not park on the corner of The Broadway and North Road as it can make it impossible for the bus to make the turn.

Thank you.

Summer Reading Challenge

With the summer holidays approaching, we are supporting the annual Summer Reading Challenge, encouraging children to continue reading throughout the summer holidays. The Summer Reading Challenge will begin in East Sussex libraries on 6th July and finish on 7th September. It's **FREE** to take part, and last year 72% of children taking part nationally improved their reading skills over the holidays.

The Challenge is to read any six books borrowed from the library or downloaded from their [ebook](#) library. Children signing up for the Challenge get a character sticker and a Reader Record. Children will be able to collect a prize for each of the six books they have read. When they finish the Challenge they will get a certificate which they can receive in school or at the library.

To take part in Marvellous Makers! children need to have their own library card and PIN. It is easy and free to become a member of the library. Take something with your name, address and signature to the library and you can join the whole family.

Visit <http://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/for> fun games, author interviews and book recommendations.



Dates for your diary

Mon 20th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly (14:00 to 15:00) FoAS non uniform day
Tues 3rd September	Last day of Term 6 Children return to school

**Good luck to our wonderful Year 6.
We will miss you!**