

Alverstoake Church of England Junior School

28TH SEPTEMBER

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Core Christian Value:

Love—Being Thankful

Young Governors:

Our Young Governors have been elected for this academic year and they have already been generating ideas about how to improve our school environment. Next week they have a meeting with Mr Hicks, our site manager, to discuss ways forward. They are also looking forward to a trip to the Houses of Parliament in November.

Shoe Box Appeal:

Your child will be bringing home a Rotary Shoebox Scheme leaflet today. We are collecting shoeboxes to be delivered as Christmas presents to children in Albania, Moldova, Romania and Montenegro. The Young Governors from each class will be keeping count of which class collects the most shoeboxes! The return date is Monday 29th October, giving you half term to collect and package items—enjoy!



Healthy Snacks:

As a school which activity promotes healthy lifestyle as part of our curriculum, we ask that you support this by only sending your child to school with snacks such as fruit or cereal bars. Crisps and chocolate are not acceptable. Please also ensure that your child does not bring in any item of food which contains nuts. Your help in this matter is very much appreciated.

Bikes and Scooters:

We have a number of bikes, scooters and helmets that have been left on the school premises. If your child is missing a bike or scooter then please have a look. We don't have much space for storing bikes overnight so please remind your child to take them home. Thank you.

WorthLess? Campaign:



A number of headteachers from across Hampshire will be joining hundreds of other headteachers from across the country today, in support of a mass event intended to gain much improved funding for all schools. Hampshire schools in particular are now one of the lowest funded in the country under the new National Funding Formula. Please find attached a letter containing information regarding this.

Lunch Debt:

Please remember that school lunches must be paid for in advance. We have accrued a lunch debt of over £450 since the beginning of September. Payment can be made either by cash/cheque at the office (in a named envelope please) or via scopay. If you have not yet registered for scopay then please contact the office for your unique code. Many thanks.

Hampshire Music Service:

Hampshire Music Service is running a programme to encourage children to play an 'endangered instrument' - the cello, double bass or French horn. Miss Gardner has information regarding the scheme, which involves free tuition and hire for the first year and other benefits for up to two years after. Please speak to Miss Gardner or contact the office if you are interested in finding out more about this.

Dates for your diary

October	
1	Harvest Festival 9.30am at St Mary's Church—all welcome
1	Year 6 Fire brigade visit to school
4	Last day for individual photo orders to be returned to school
4	Year 5 outcome 3.30pm–5pm. Please drop in at a convenient time to you.
4	Years 4 and 6 drop-in 3:30pm-5pm. Please feel free to drop in at a time convenient to you to see the work your child has completed since being back at school or if you have a question or query you would like to discuss with your child's class teacher. No appointments necessary.
5	School closed for training day
8	School closed for training day
10	Years 3, 4 and 5 flu immunisations
11	Year 4 to Fishbourne Roman Palace
11	Heroes club
12	Red, white and blue day ~ details to follow
16	Year 6 parents SATs meeting 6.00
19	School finishes at 3.15pm for half term
29	School reopens
29	Class photographs

Training Days :

Friday 5th October 2018, Monday 8th October 2018, Friday 15th February 2019 and Thursday 2nd May 2019