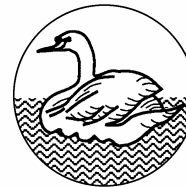


Aldersbrook Primary School



Headteacher:
Mr. Alan Wright

Summer term

NEWSLETTER

25th April 2008

Welcome back to the new term:- let's hope the summer weather starts soon! Here are some dates for you to note straight away:

1st, 2nd, 5th May: School CLOSED for election, staff training, and bank holiday respectively.

Thursday 8th May: Class photographs

12th-16th May: Year 6 SATs week

Friday 23rd May: Close for half term

Monday 2nd June Re-open

Tuesday 10th or Thursday 12th June (tbc): Orchestra Concert

Saturday 12th July: Summer Fair

Thursday 17th July: Year 5-6 Sports am

Friday 18 July: Years 3-4 Sports am; R& KS1 Sports pm

Wednesday 23rd July: Close for summer holiday

Gulu Primary School

Mr Wright recently visited our partner school in Uganda and returned with news of great progress at the school, and more resources and information to improve our school curriculum.

Those of you who are kindly sponsoring pupils at Gulu Primary will be receiving a photograph of your sponsored child shortly, and Mr Wright will be holding a feed-back meeting for anyone who is interested on Wednesday 14th May at 8.00pm in the main school hall. Please come to find out more about the developing international dimension to our school.

Anita Pirie

Today Anita, our administrative assistant who was until recently the regular friendly face behind the Reception desk, will be leaving us for a year's secondment to Redbridge Children's Services. We wish her well and trust she will enjoy her new opportunity.

Jane Cousins' Commemoration

We are planning to hold a ceremony on the afternoon of Thursday 22nd May to plant a tree in the school grounds in commemoration of Jane Cousins. Please note the date and we will let you have more details in due course.

Socca Op'ra

Here is part of the press release with information about our Year 5 project for this term:

Arts Council England, London has awarded £39,843 to OPERAHOUSE for a project that will see three schools in Redbridge perform an opera inspired by football, called 'Socca Op'ra'.

Aldersbrook Primary School, Wanstead Church School and Oakdale Junior School will be refining their skills with West Ham United coach Paul Ruck, to produce a new work over the summer term to be performed at St Gabriel's Church in Wanstead on 26 July.

To produce this performance, which aims to bridge the perceived divide between sport and art, pupils will work with a team of top arts professionals who have produced work for English National Opera, the National Theatre as well as the BAFTA award winning writer Roy Apps

Virginia Rushton, Director of OPERAHOUSE MusicProjects,said:

'This is a very exciting development for us: following a series of operas inspired by historic houses, the River Thames, the Bronte family, and the Isle of Arran, this is our first project bringing together sport and music. We have a brilliant creative team and three committed schools to work with to create a new opera for primary schools. None of this would be possible without the backing of Arts Council England.'

Moira Sinclair, Executive Director of Arts Council England,London,said:

'This project, bringing together top professionals from both the arts and sports worlds, looks set to inspire all the children who take part. We are delighted to be able to continue our commitment to arts and creative learning in outer London schools and will look forward to hearing more about Socca Op'ra this summer.'

All of the children in year 5 will take part in different ways and we know they will have a very rewarding experience.

Violin lessons

Mrs Dalton will be holding lessons on Monday 28th as the school is closed on Thursday. Please remember your violins.

P.T.A. UPDATE

Prizes for Book Review Competition Winners

I would like to apologise to all the Book Review Competition Winners who have been waiting very patiently for their prizes. The prizes have now been ordered and should arrive shortly. All winners will be awarded with a prize in assembly next week (hopefully!) Congratulations to the winners : - Eva (Nam) Joe (Npm) Bess (RD) Abdullah (RS) Alexa (1S) Aaron (1R) Maya (2B) Zachary (2B) Tejal (3T) Tony (3T) Farida (4H) Abbas (4H) Sofia (5D) Michael (5F) & Lucy (6B)

Forthcoming P.T.A. Meetings : -

Evening Meeting

Day : Thursday, 8th May

Time : 7.30 - 9.00pm

Venue : Staffroom

Daytime Meeting

Day : Monday, 12th May

Time : 9.00 - 10.00am

Venue : Reception Block Hall

The focus of our next meeting is the 'High School Musical Family Disco' and the 'Pirate Summer Fayre' which are both being held next half term. If you are interested in contributing any ideas to the organisation of either of these events please come along.

All help is greatly appreciated! > Thanks > Carol Bowe
