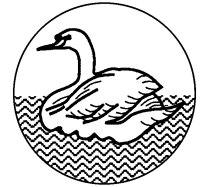


# Aldersbrook Primary School



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**NEWSLETTER**

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## Secondary School Transfer 2010

The Redbridge booklets have been sent out to Year 6 pupils living in the Borough. Pupils living in other Boroughs need to apply via their own local authorities.

We have been asked to encourage parents to apply **online**: [www.redbridge.gov.uk](http://www.redbridge.gov.uk) click on **eAdmissions**. There are many benefits to doing so which are mentioned on page 4 of the booklet.

This is the main link to save you time if applying on-line:

[http://www.redbridge.gov.uk/cms/education\\_learning/schools\\_colleges/e-admissions/e-admissions\\_secondary\\_schools.aspx](http://www.redbridge.gov.uk/cms/education_learning/schools_colleges/e-admissions/e-admissions_secondary_schools.aspx) - towards the bottom of this page it says '**Make your online application**'.

Please remember the **deadline is FRIDAY 23rd OCTOBER**

Some parents fail to apply **on-time** for their **catchment school** as one of their six preferences and, for some secondary schools, this means that making a **late** or **no** application for that school results in them not getting that school but possibly another that could be more than six miles away!

## Parent Governor

The vacancy for Parent Governor has been filled by Elizabeth Stopps, as she was the only nomination received. Elizabeth, the former Vice Chair of Governors will, therefore, resume as a governor from now on.

There will be a list of governors posted on the new notice board in the playground as soon as photographs are available. Any communication, questions or comments for the governors may be addressed to the Chair of Governors (Mrs Avani Higgins), via the school office.

## Cine Club

We are delighted to say that our Cine Club production "The Empty School", shown at the National Film Theatre last year, has won the national prize for the best "Homage"! Congratulations again to all of the children and staff involved. How good it feels to be leading the nation!!

## Parents Briefings

The briefings next Thursday at 4.30 and 5.30pm will be as follows:

Year 1 in Classroom 1M; Year 2 in Classroom 2R; Year 3 in Classroom 3B; Year 4 in the upstairs ICT room; Year 5 in Classroom 5A; and year 6 in Classroom 6H. Please look out for the signs when you arrive.

Parents of Reception children have already been briefed on the plans for the year. For all other children we hope a parent or carer will attend to find out about the learning plans and activities for the year.

## Mrs Christine Port

Congratulations and best wishes go to Mrs Port, as she retires from her position as Teaching Assistant next Thursday. She has served Aldersbrook School for over 15 years, and has worked in Redbridge schools for 24 years. We will miss her!

Thanks and best wishes also go to Mrs Gillian Augood, Teaching Assistant, as she leaves her position this week.

## Harvest Festival

Please note the date of our Harvest Festival - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October. We will hold two ceremonies, one for the younger children (Nursery up to year 2) at 9.30am and one for the year 3-6 children at 10.30am. More details, including venue, will follow.

## High School Open Evening

Wanstead High School have asked us to inform you that they have an open evening for parents of Year 6 pupils next Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September, at 6.00-8.00 pm.

## Eide UI Fitr

"Eide Mubarak!" to all of our Muslim families and friends. Children are allowed up to three days absence for Religious observance each year. We would appreciate your letting us know in writing if your child(ren) are absent for your celebrations.

## Music at Aldersbrook

A brand new chamber choir will start rehearsing on Wednesday lunchtimes at 12.45. All children in years 4,5 and 6 are invited and there is no charge for this activity. Melanie Henry is in charge of this exciting opportunity.

## Song of the Week

Can I hear your hot potato ?  
say that again  
I said say that again  
say that again

Verse 1 – hot potato :           pant as if with hot food in your mouth  
Verse 2 – mashed potato:       breath deeply and mash imaginary potatoes in time with your breathing  
Verse 3 - chipped potato :     say chip and chop etc.  
Verse 4 - baked potato :       say yummy, yummy ,yummy etc.

Hear it at [www.singup.org](http://www.singup.org)