



## Aslacton Primary School - Newsletter Friday 21st May 2021

This term our Core Value is: **Community**

### This week in Aslacton

Here is a snapshot of our learning this week: Owl class have been exploring what might happen next to Traction Man and Scrubbing Brush and have planned their own stories. They have been investigating toys from the past and discovering how old some of the toys in our class toy museum are. Kestrels have had a flower themed week! In science, we learnt about the different stages in the life cycle of a flowering plant; in art lessons we have drawn and painted exotic rainforest flowers, and in our topic lesson we learnt how many of the flowers and plants we find in our gardens do not originate from Britain but were brought here by travellers and plant hunters over hundreds of years ago. In maths we celebrated National Numeracy Day on Wednesday by designing posters with top tips on what we can do when we find things tricky, and the importance of having a positive maths mindset. Eagles have been studying percentages this week. We have used our knowledge of equivalent fractions for percentage conversions. We have discussed the use of percentages in real-life contexts. In English, we have been analysing and interpreting more poetry. We have written imaginative poems and explored creative language in verse. In Art, we have started our mixed media project 'The Mad Hatter's Tea Party'. The children are combining collage, internet images and photography in their work. Thank you again to Mrs Gowing for a fun, creative (and windy!) Forest School session.

### Breakfast Club Invoices

Payment is now due for the invoices sent home last week. Please remember to inform the office when you pay by BACs and to include the invoice number as the reference.

### Governor Vacancy

Are you interested in School Governance and becoming a school governor? We have a vacancy. Please contact the school office for more information and an application form.

### Fundraising Achievement

Last weekend 3 of our pupils held a cake stall that they organised themselves to raise money for the Air Ambulance charity. They raised a huge £480! Well done Ella May, Lydia and Florence.

Do keep sending us these amazing achievements as we would love to keep celebrating them in school.

### Upcoming Dates:

May half term:  
31st May—4th June 2021

End of the academic year:  
Wednesday 21st July 2021

Start of 2021– 2022 academic  
year:  
6th September 2021

*Road safety training (in class) for  
Reception 24th May 2021*

*Road safety training (local walk) for  
Year 2 24th May*

*Off road (playground) cycling  
training for Year 4 18th and 25th  
June*

*On road cycling training for Year 6  
18th and 30th June*

More information to follow for the  
relevant year groups.

### Headteacher's Award

Owl: Florence for excellent blending and reading.

Kestrel: Lilli–Vienna for your hard work and positive attitude in maths.

Eagle: Louie for endurance and resilience in distance swimming. What a great improvement!

Well done everyone.

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## National Numeracy Day

On Wednesday it was National Numeracy Day. A large part of our maths teaching is focused on encouraging children to have a positive attitude towards maths. This is something that you can help with at home too, even if you don't feel confident with maths, you can make a huge difference to how your child's numeracy confidence and ability develops.

### Top tips

Be positive about maths. Don't say things like "I can't do maths" or "I hated maths at school"; your child might start to think like that themselves.

Point out the maths in everyday life. Include your child in activities involving maths such as using money, cooking and travelling.

Praise your child for effort rather than talent - this shows them that by working hard they can always improve

Visit <https://www.familymathstoolkit.org.uk/> for more ideas on how to support your child with maths at home.

## Year 2 Road Safety Training

On 24th May, Year 2 will be receiving pedestrian road safety training from an outside professional trainer. This is part of our wider PSHE curriculum and is a vital life skill for all our children. Children will be taken out for a local walk around the school in groups of no more than 6 children with 3 supporting adults. This is covered by the local walks permission signed on entry to the school so no permission slips are required. Please ensure on this date that your child has a coat or sunhat as appropriate for the weather that day.

**PLEASE RETURN YEAR 4 AND YEAR 6 CYCLING PERMISSIONS ASAP.**

**Thank you.**

## Fostering

Please see page 3 for information regarding becoming a foster carer, this is part of a county wide drive to recruit more foster carers to support and care for the most vulnerable children in our county. Please pass this on to anyone you think may be interested.

## House Points

Here is how the house point chart stands at the end of week 6:

	Holkham	Winterton	Brancaster	Mundesley
This week:	174	179	133	145
This term so far:	802	845	786	791

### Attendance:

We take pride in attendance at our school. We will publish the attendance figures here for each class each week.

If your child is unwell and unable to be in school, please ensure that you phone and leave a message to inform us before 9.30am.

Absences not accounted for after this time will be recorded as unauthorised.

Whole School 97%

Owl 97%

Kestrel 98%

Eagle 97%

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