

Newsletter 7th February 2020



We are all 'wonderfully made' and loved by Him just as we are.

What is coming up ...

- Monday 10th Feb – Foundation Values Committee Meeting 4pm
- Tuesday 11th Feb – Revd. Phillips in school to lead Collective Worship
- Tuesday 11th Feb – Y3 Games Cafe 2.30pm to 3.30pm
- Wednesday 12th Feb – Y3 visit to Magna
- Thursday 13th Feb – Y4 Violin performance to parents
- Friday 14th Feb – Last day of half term (finish at normal time of 3pm)
- Thursday 20th Feb – Last day for booking school meals for March
- Monday 24th Feb – Half term starts (usual times of opening)
- Thursday 5th Mar – World Book Day
- Friday 6th Mar – School and Nursery closed for Teacher Training Day
- Monday 9th Mar – Full Governing Body Meeting 4pm
- Wednesday 25th Mar – Rock Steady Concert (information to follow)
- Wednesday 1st Apr – Year 3/4 Production at 9:30am and 1:30pm (information to follow)
- Friday 3rd Apr – Last day of half term (finish at normal time of 3pm)

School Website

We had a query about the address of our school website as there looked to be a 'fake' account with inappropriate links. We are investigating this matter.

Our school website address is <https://aldermancogan.ebor.academy/> and this is set up to be accessible from all devices including phones.

World Book Day – Thursday 5th March

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. As in previous years, each year group will choose a book to focus on for the day. These are in the table below:

Nursery	The Ugly Duckling
Foundation Stage	What The Ladybird Heard by Julia Donaldson
Year 1	Fairy Tales
Year 2	The Lighthouse Keeper by Rhonda Armitage
Year 3	Persephone by Sally Pomme Clayton
Year 4	The Arrival by Shaun Tan
Year 5	Pog by Pádraig Kenny
Year 6	Captain Nemo by Dave Egger

The children can then choose to dress up as a character from these class books or their own favourite character. The children will be talking about their book with their teacher in the run up to the day so your child will get lots of ideas. If children don't want to dress up they can come to school in their usual school uniform. There is definitely no need to purchase expensive costumes though; please ask staff if you need any simple costume ideas!

Teachers will be messaging on ParentHub with more information about the day including when parents can pop into school to read with their child as part of a Reading Cafe!



Thank you

Thank you to the parents that joined us today to help cut out lettering and create artwork for our new displays around school. Your help was really appreciated and will make such a difference to the school.

Internet Safety

We are noticing an increase in the number of children using websites such as TikTok and Instagram. Both of these sites are not recommended for primary age school children for many reasons including their own safety and their social and emotional health. Unfortunately there have been many incidents recently of children creating videos and images that are unkind to others. We are also aware of times where unknown adults are contacting children through these sites too. This causes upset for children at home and then this continues into school. If you think your child uses social media such as TikTok and Instagram it may be worth checking their accounts with them and talking to them about how they use it and if they have had any problems when using it.

If you have any concerns following this please contact the school or you can look up further advice from the following websites:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>

<https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

<https://www.o2.co.uk/help/nspcc>

You can also pop into any O2 stores and they have Gurus in store to help parents with internet, games and app safety advice for any device including phones, tablets and consoles. It is free of charge and you do not have to be an O2 customer to access this service.

ParentPay Arrears

Please can any outstanding dinner money/breakfast club arrears be cleared before we break off for half term (14th February). Thank you!

Obez Memorial Primary

We are starting to learn more about our link school – Obez Memorial Primary – in Freetown, Sierra Leone. Their headteacher, Revd. Sengovah, sent some photos to help us see what their school is like. We have shared some photos of our school and we have nearly finished creating our plans to make our schools and communities in Hull and Freetown more eco-friendly!



Prayer

This week in Collective Worship we thought about Rosa Parks and how she made a bad situation better because she wanted to live in a peaceful world. We reflected on how we could also work to make our school and community a better place. We thought about our school values, our friendship groups, our Eco Club, our school councillors and our Global Goals project.



Dear Lord, Thank you for our sense of right and wrong, justice and injustice. Remind us of the opportunity each one of us has to be the one who takes a stand. May we have the courage, like Rosa Parks, to begin change for the better. Amen.