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Welcome!

Jon Tucker, Headteacher

Welcome to the beginning of Autumn Term 2!

At the end of the previous term we had parents' evening, which was a huge success, it was great to speak with families and celebrate the progress of the children.

Speaking of which, I want give a huge shout-out to our Year 4s and 5s who have had their swimming lessons at Woodford over the past few weeks. The leisure centre staff have nothing but positive feedback for the school.

In this edition, there are lots of updates but be sure to check out our diary dates for the busiest time of the year in a school... Christmas!

Finally, I want to send out our best wishes to Mrs Hawkridge, who is set to go on maternity leave, you'll be missed by us all for sure, but enjoy being in the baby bubble!

Best wishes to all our community,

J Tucker

Community Corner

We need parent volunteers to keep our PFA!

Our Christmas Fair is set to be on **Tuesday 8th December.**

We want to thank those who have already expressed some interest in joining the PFA. The Christmas Fair will be the first event to be involved and there's some assistance that we need in order for the event to take place:

- Bouncy castle hire
- Food/ drinks stall
- Raffle/ Tombola

Please scan the QR code and complete the survey. Mr Tucker will be in touch as the event approaches.

Nursery Places Available

Please find a flyer below for our Tiny Steps (2 year old) and 3 year old Nursery provisions.

To make a viewing appoinment, please contact the school office.

Places available for 2, 3 and 4 year olds!

Alderman Cogan's Church of England Primary Academy

What We Offer:

- Positive, Nurturing and warm relationships
- High Qulity Indoor and Outdoor Environment
- Creative and Engaging Curriculum
- Full Wrap around Care available









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Looking for a supportive nursery for your little one? Alderman Cogan's Primary Academy offers a fun, creative environment for children aged 2 to school age, preparing them for school.

*Limited spaces available. Visit the school office at Alderman Cogan School, Whitworth Street, HU9 3HJ, or call 01482 376203 to request an expression of interest form.

Inter-faith Day

Monday 9th November

On Monday 9th November, we will be celebrating Big RE Day as part of National Inter Faith Week. This year's theme is "Lighting the Way for a Shared Future", focusing on hope, understanding, respect and friendship between different faiths and communities.

During the morning, we are delighted to welcome a range of faith representatives into school, who will share their religions, traditions and practices with the children. In the afternoon, pupils will take part in a variety of activities to explore different religions and reflect on how we can celebrate our differences and work together to build a kinder, more understanding world.



Remembrance:

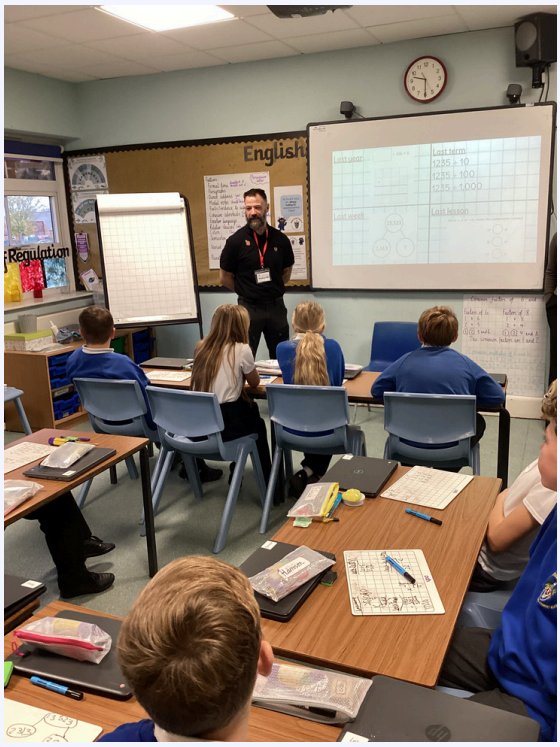
Lest we forget

We were delighted to be joined by Tim Nicolini, who is a former soldier from the Light Dragoons, at school on Wednesday.

He gave an insightful and inspiring talk about the support and benefits of the Royal British Legion to serving soldiers and veteran soldiers.

Tim then finished his visit for a Q&A session in Key Stage 2 classrooms. The children asked a range of interesting questions to learn more about his time in the Army.

After school on Wednesday (Remembrance Day), we invite parents to walk past our Poppy display (via the playground entrance to the hall) and there is the option to bring a poppy to add to our display.





Class Updates:

Nursery

The children in Tiny Steps and Nursery were very excited to welcome visits from the police and fire brigade as part of their topic called, People Who Help Us. The children had a fantastic time dressing up as police officers, sitting inside the fire engine and even having a go at spraying water from the fire hoses with the firefighters. It was a wonderful opportunity for the children to learn more about the important people who help keep us safe!









Class Updates:

Petals

The children in The Petals had a lovely celebration toasting marshmallows and taking part in other bonfire activities whilst talking about how important it is to keep safe whilst enjoying Bonfire Night.







Diary Dates: Autumn Term

Further dates will be added when confirmed

Date	Event	Additional information
Monday 2nd November - Friday 13th November	Year 5 Swimming Lessons	Letters to parents/ carers from the Year 5 team are required to grade the pupil's current experience.
Monday 9th November	Interfaith Week	Celebrating a range of faith leaders coming to school to focus on his year's theme, Lighting the Way for a Shared Future.
Friday 13th November	School Training Day	School will be closed to all pupils.
Monday 23rd November - Thursday 26th November	Year 5 Bikeability	More information to follow
Tuesday 1st December	Year 6 parents	Please join us in the classroom from 13:30–15:00 to create some Christmas crafts.
Wednesday 2nd December	Choir singing	Choir singing at Morrisons 13:30-14:15
Wednesday 2nd December	Christmas Party Night	Children can dress up in their festive wear for a disco in the main hall: **Tiny Steps, Nursery and Reception:** 3pm- 4pm **Year 1, 2 and 3**: 4:15- 5:15pm **Year 4, 5 and 6**: 5:30 - 6:30pm Tickets are £2 and include the disco, a drink and a snack.
Thursday 3rd December	Tiny Steps and Nursery Stay and Play Sessions	AM: 8.30am - 9.30am PM: 2.15pm - 3.15pm
Monday 7th December	Choir singing	Choir singing at Morrisons 13:30-14:15
Tuesday 8th December	Reception Nativity	1.15-2.25, more information will be on Arbor and Tapestry
Tuesday 8th December	Christmas Craft Fair	Each class will have a stall to sell their crafts and creations
Thursday 10th December	Reception Nativity	9.30-10.20, more information will be on Arbor and Tapestry
Wednesday 9th December	Petals Christmas Stay and Play	Parents to come to playground gate: 2.15-3.15
Wednesday 9th December	Key Stage 1 Christmas Performance	More information to follow.
Friday 11th December	Cogan Scholars Autumn Graduation	Parents of Graduates will be invited to join us from 2pm-3pm. Guest host: Rose James, CEO of Hull Children's University
Monday 14th December	Christingle Service	At St Aidan's, More information to follow.
Monday 14th December	Choir singing	Choir singing at Broadway.
Tuesday 15th December	Tiny Steps and Nursery Christmas performance	More information to follow.
Tuesday 15th December	Miss Taylor Reading cafe	8.00-8.30, more information will be on arbor and tapestry
Wednesday 16th December	Rock Steady concert	9:45-10:45 Rock Steady Concert in the main hall.
Wednesday 16th December	Festival of Carols	Choir out at the City Hall. More information to follow.
Wednesday 16th December	Petals Christmas Party	PM- children to come to school in party clothes
Thursday 17th December	Miss Robinson Reading cafe	8.00-8.30, more information will be on arbor and tapestry
Friday 18th December	School Closes for Christmas	We are inviting children to wear Christmas jumpers again on the last day of term, no donation necessary.