



Spring Newsletter 2024

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Welcome to our families.

Our vision is to develop happy, confident and secure learners in a safe and stimulating environment where all children thrive through working in partnership with parents and our local community.

We welcome everyone back to the new spring term and wish everyone a Happy New Year. A big warm welcome to our new children and families.

Monday 15th January	Reception Place Deadline. Applications for reception places to be in by this date.
Monday 22nd January	Inset Day—Nursery and Wellies closed to children
Wednesday 24th January	Oral Health and Healthy Eating Workshop for Parents Parents will need to book on to the session 9.00 am Or 12.30 pm
Thursday 1st February	First Aid Workshop for Parents by St Johns Ambulance Parents will need to book on to the session Only one session at 9.00 am
Wednesday 7th February	Behaviour Workshop for Parents Parents will need to book on to the session 9.00 am Or 12.30 pm
Thursday 8th February	R & R Production Chinese New Year Year of the Dragon
Friday 9th February	Children break up for Half Term normal time.
Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February	School closed for Half Term.
Monday 19th February	School re opens.
Thursday 22nd February	Makaton Taster Session for Parents with Rebecca Thompson Parents will need to book on to the session 9.00 am— 10.30 am
Friday 23rd February	Alumwellies Inset Day—Closed to Alumwellies children only
Monday 26th February	Blue Group Open Day
Tuesday 27th February	Orange Group Open Day
Wednesday 28th February	Green Group Open Day
Thursday 29th February	Red Group Open Day
Friday 1st March	Yellow Group Open Day Alumwellies Open Day—Alumwellies will be closed to children



Open Days

As stated in the notable dates section, your child will be having an open day. This is a chance for parents to meet with their child's group leader to discuss their progress at Nursery. Please see your child's group leader to book an appointment.



Monday 4th March	Blue Group Mother's Day Story 11.00 am and 2.45 pm
Tuesday 5th March	Orange Group Mother's Day Story 11.00 am and 2.45 pm
Wednesday 6th March	Green Group Mother's Day Story 11.00 am and 2.45 pm
Thursday 7th March	Red Group Mother's Day Story 11.00 am and 2.45 pm World Book Day - Children can come dressed as a character from a book or nursery rhyme.
Friday 8th March	Yellow Group Mother's Day Story Alumwellies Stay and Play with Parents
Monday 11th March	Animal Man Visiting
Wednesday 13th March	Individual School Photos
Friday 15th March	Comic Relief Red Nose Day - Non-uniform day, suggested £1 donation
Monday 18th March	Fire Safety Session for Parents by Walsall Fire Service Parents will need to book on to the session 9.30 am Or 2.15 pm
Tuesday 19th March	Easter Activity Day with parents. Orange , Blue and Green Groups
Wednesday 20th March	Easter Activity Day with parents. Red , Yellow and Wellies Groups
Friday 22nd March	School breaks up for two weeks for Easter Holidays. Afternoon session finishes at 1.50 pm
Monday 8th April	Inset Day—Nursery and Alumwellies closed to children
Tuesday 9th April	School reopens

Congratulations to Alumwell Nursery for upholding our Outstanding grading from Ofsted!

"Children are bathed in language from the moment they start at the setting. Conversations, chats and communication happen naturally throughout the day, promoting children's language development exceptionally well. Children receive regular individual attention from an adult. This is key to the strong progress that they make."

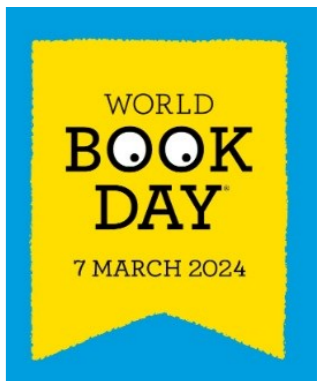
Household Support Fund

Walsall Council has received a further £5.6 million in additional government funding to support the most vulnerable residents with cost-of-living. The fund is available to households in Walsall and the full criteria can be found on the Walsall website

<https://go.walsall.gov.uk/benefits/household-support-fund>

You can make a claim by scanning the QR code, visiting the link below or alternatively if you need assistance making a claim contact your local hub.

<https://walsall.apply4.online/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=/Requests/QuickSchemeLink/165BU3>



Individual Photographs

Photographer will be in on Wednesday 13th March to take individual school photographs.



Uniform

Please ensure your child's name is put inside all new clothing, including coats.

Uniform can be purchased from the school office.

Prices for uniform are as follows-

- Jumpers: £7.50
- T-Shirts: £3.50
- Caps: £4.00
- Book Bags: £4.00

Notification of School Closure

In the event of bad weather please look on the following websites

www.walsallcs.com
or
www.alumwell-n.walsall.sch.uk

Snack Time

If you prefer to pay in bulk, please see the office for a **School Fund / Snack Money** letter.

We rely on parents paying this in order to fund food we offer for snack. If you do not want to pay in bulk, please pay £1.00 every Monday.

Library Days

Library is done on a Friday.

Please make sure your child brings their library bag to school on this day to change their library books.

Collection List

We would like to remind parents that any changes to their child's list of who can collect their child are made **before** the day of collection. This is so that your child's group leader can meet the new person on the list and that they can recognise them at collection time.

To add someone onto your child's collection list, please come to the main office to add them onto the list. Please ensure that this is **before** the day you want them to collect your child.

We understand that sometimes emergencies happen and someone new will have to collect your child. If this is the case please ensure that you call the school office to notify staff. You will need to be able to: give a description of the person collecting, their name, their contact number, your child's password and what their relation to the child is.

Parent Personal Details Forms

It is vitally important that you keep the Nursery up to date with changes to the information you supplied us with, on your personal details form. It is your responsibility to provide us with up to date contact numbers and addresses. Please ensure that all mobile phones are switched on during the time your child is at nursery. However if this is not possible then you must provide us with an alternative contact number.

Medicines

It's your responsibility to let us know if your child is taking any medication at home.

You need to keep your child's medical information updated with the group leader.

Accidents at Nursery

Sometimes children need their clothes changing at nursery if they get dirty or wet. Please send a change of clothes in their bag each day. If we do change your child into nursery clothes then please **wash and dry them before bringing them back to nursery as soon as possible.** This is so that we have spare clothes for next time.

We are currently running low on pants and socks. Donations of these are most welcome.

Attendance

Please make sure you arrive at nursery on time.

If your child is unable to attend please contact the school office on 01922 721264 and press 2 to leave an absence message before their session begins.

Child Safety

It is very important that when you bring your child to school that you make sure the group leader knows your child is here. Do not walk away without speaking to your child's group leader first. Also, at the end of the session, please wait for the group leader to call your child's name for them to come to you. **This is so that we can keep your children safe.**

Road Safety

Please hold your child's hand when walking across the road and please follow the paths.

Do not walk in between the cars on the carpark.

Sturdy Footwear

Please ensure that your child is wearing strong, sturdy footwear that's suitable for outdoor play, when coming to Nursery. **Please do not bring your child in sandals.**

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