





Newsletter 22 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021

## Headteacher's Note:

Hi everyone,

I hope you have all had a good Easter break. It has been lovely for the children to come back to some sunshine this week in which to enjoy outdoor learning; play and picnics at lunchtime.

You may have heard your children mention new adults' names this week. This is because we have employed additional adults in each phase for the Summer term in order to provide focused 'catch-up' support. As a result of school closures, each school has been given funding to support children in whatever way they choose. At Albrighton, we believe that human resources have the most impact on moving learning forward and this is why we have spent our funding on employing more staff. I'd therefore like to welcome Mrs Harris, Mrs Jolly and Mrs Petrylak to our team this term. I also welcome Mrs Keyworth on her move to the Reception team this week and Miss Le Brun who has returned from maternity leave.

**Kindest Regards** Julie Bratt

## Class Heroes:

**Reception Rangers:** Louie & Ella-Rose Shooting Stars: Harley Racing Rockets: Freya Cosmic Comets: Esha Skyflyers: Henry Voyagers: Tyler Starships: Reanna Explorers: Isaac Red Arrows: Jack Well Done! Q 🗘 🤇

### Star Readers:

**Reception Rangers:** Alfie & Scarlett Shooting Stars: Daisy Racing Rockets: Sapphire Cosmic Comets: Millie Skyflyers: Harry Voyagers: Finley Starships: Kacey Explorers: Evie Red Arrows: Jeremiah

Well Done!





Monday 3rd May: Bank Holiday

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May: Deadline for Bag2School donations (4pm)

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May: End of Term

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June: School returns

## Star Writers:

**Reception Rangers:** William & Riley Shooting Stars: Imogen Racing Rockets: Noah Cosmic Comets: Sebastian Skyflyers: Olly Voyagers: Sam Starships: Willow Explorers: Lily Red Arrows: Nicole



Well Done!





My name is Saffron Mann and I am the class teacher of Skyflyers (Year 3). I am also the PE subject leader. As well as planning lessons, I am currently planning a wedding, so from September I'll have to get used to being Mrs Evans instead of Miss Mann!

After finishing my Sports Therapy degree, I started my career as a sports therapist for a local football academy and rugby. I did this for 2 years before deciding to become a teacher. My love of sport remained strong though, and that is why I love teaching PE and encouraging others to fully embrace the sporting culture.

I am so proud to be a teacher, and particularly a teacher at Albrighton. The children and staff make me smile and laugh every day and I love that every day is different. Albrighton is a wonderfully happy environment to work in and I look forward to coming to school each day to the colourful classrooms and beautiful grounds.

#### My Favourites

Food:	halloumi						
Colour:	green or lilac						
Sport:	netball						
Books: I love reading lots of types of books but How to Train Your Dragon will always be my all-time favourite							
Movies:	all the Marvel films	D					
Place:	Barmouth						
Animal:	racoon						
Subjects:	PE & Literacy						



### Zoom Club

ParentPay closes at midnight every **Wednesday** evening for bookings for the following week. There are limited spaces so booking is essential to ensure a place.

To assist us in managing places, please can parents book a month in advance where possible. You are able to make change for future bookings at any time until the cut-off for that week.

Late bookings can be made, if there are spaces available, however we can't guarantee there will be a space available. Similarly if you no longer require a place that has been booked, please advise us as soon as possible.

If you have any queries, please contact the school office (01902 372558) or email zoom@albrightonpri.shropshire.sch.uk

## Royal Mail Competition



The Royal Mail will be issuing a new set of stamps which will feature designs created by eight school-aged children.

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We are asking our young designers to think about who their hero or heroes are, and to then design a stamp in their honour. A special panel of judges will pick the winning designs. The final eight stamps will be sent to Her Majesty The Queen before they can be printed and issued.

https://www.stampcompetition.ichild.co.uk/

https://www.albrightonprimary.com/curriculum-8/design-and-art/royal-mail-hero-stamp-design

Please bring your entries into school, which must be drawn onto the official template below, by **Friday 21st May**.



This term we have started our work on Growth Mindset and the Power Of Yet. The idea of growth mindset is based on the pioneering work of Carol Dweck and her research about the "Growth Mindset" which builds on the principle of being able to strengthen and build on our resilience of learning. The Power of 'Yet' enables children to understand that mistakes are important in learning and it takes time to be good and succeed in things.

We will work on changing children's mindset from fixed to a growth mindset over the coming terms as this will really support all pupil's well being as well as supporting them with their learning. We will include ways that you can support your child to develop their growth mindset in the coming newsletters.



## School and Anxiety

School refusal or school anxiety can start for any number of reasons: it might be because your child is worried about school work or friendship issues. Of course, during the current pandemic, lots of children are finding it hard to get back to school and routines and this is perfectly normal and is happening in schools all around the country.

It may be hard for your child to express why they feel the way they do and they may be worried about telling you if it involves others. It is important that they are encouraged to talk so you can make a plan together. While avoiding school is understandable when it causes anxiety, it becomes very hard to go back to school once you've been off for a while. Parents need to try and tread the very fine line between being sensitive to their child's needs and worries (and not dismissing them), while being aware that avoidance tends to make the problem worse. The link below will take you directly to resources to help you with managing your child's anxiety. It is also important to discuss any concerns or worries about this with school so we can support your child with their anxieties and they see that we are all working together to support them.

https://www.happymaps.co.uk/age-group/primaryschool/primary-school-anxiety-and-school-refusal

## National Survey of Children, The Big Ask

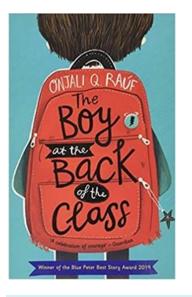
The new Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, launched this week The Big Ask - the largest ever consultation with children aged 4 to 17 in England. It aims to find out children's concerns and aspirations about the future, so that we can put children at the heart of our country's recovery from the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

Most of our pupils will have completed the survey this week in class as well learning about what the survey is about.

Parents, care leavers and those working with children are also invited to complete the adult survey to share their views about the future for children and young people today, and what they think is holding young people back. The survey can be found following this link https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigask/adults/

The results from this survey will help the Children's Commissioner identify the barriers preventing children from reaching their potential, put forward solutions and set ambitious goals for the country to achieve.

## The Albrighton Book Worm



#### Characters:

A group of four friends who make friends with the new boy, Ahmet, who is very different from them but he helps to enrich their lives as they go on an adventure to make a difference.

Title: The boy at the back of the class Author: Onjali Q. Rauf Reviewed By: Mrs Tearle



#### Plot - What happens in the story

'There used to be an empty chair at the back of my class, but now a new boy called Ahmet is sitting in it.'

Syrian refugee Ahmet is struggling to adapt to his new life in London, until the nine-year-old narrator and friends come up with a very clever plan to reunite him with his lost family. Utterly delightful, Rauf's book centres on the importance of friendship and encourages children not to fear those who are different'.

#### Who would like this story?

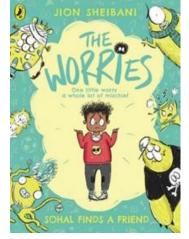
This is a great book for children between the ages of 8-13 years old. It will really help children to understand what a refugee is but also gain a real understanding of how we can all make a difference and help other people.

#### Other books by this author:

The Night Bus Hero and The Star Outside my Window

#### Title: The Worries: Sohal finds a friend

Reviewed By: Mrs Tearle



Author: Jion Sheibani

#### Plot - What happens in the story

Sohal is a natural-born worrier. He just can't help it. Most things make him worry: there's the dark, his lack of friends, mutant alien sheep! His parents try to help but it just gets all too much sometimes. So, one night, Sohal decides to draw his worries to make himself feel a bit calmer. But when he makes up the next day, his worries at sitting at the end of his bed as five furry creatures! In a world where there is a lot of uncertainty at the moment, this is a fun tale about not letting your worries get the better of you.

#### Recommend: Who would you recommend it too and why?

This is a great book for any child but it would be particularly useful to support a child who might be feeling worried or anxious due to our current situation. It would be a great book to read together to support a conversation about a child's worries.

Recommended reading age 5-8 years.

There are a whole series of books by the same author to support children with all kinds of worries.

#### Book Review:

We'd like to see your book reviews. Please email them to your class teacher.



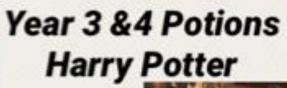
Memorable Experiences



# Year 1 & 2 Land Ahoy

**Bug Hunt** 





## Year 5 & 6 WW2 Artwork







## Internet Safety

It can be difficult to know how to start talking to your child about what they're seeing and doing online or who they might be speaking to. But talking regularly, like you would about their day at school, will help your child feel relaxed and mean that when they do have any worries, they're more likely to come and speak to you.

It can help to:

- reassure them that you're interested in their life, offline and online. Recognise that they'll be using the internet to research homework as well talking to their friends.
- ask your child to show you what they enjoy doing online or apps they're using so you can understand them.
- be positive but also open about anything you're worried about. You could say "I think this site's really good" or "I'm a little worried about things I've seen here."
- ask them if they're worried about anything, and let them know they can come to you.
- ask them about their friends online and how they know they are who they say they are.
- listen for the reasons why your child wants to use apps or site you don't think are suitable, so you can talk about these together.
- ask your child what they think's okay for children of different ages so they feel involved in the decision making.

Here are some useful links to websites that can support your conversation and help you understand more about the uses and dangers of the internet for young people.

https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/social-media-advice-hub/social-media-tips-and-advice/

https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/social-media-advice-hub/social-media-concerns/

https://www.net-aware.org.uk/

https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/tiktok/

#### Worried about a child online?

If you're worried about something a child or young person may have experienced online, you can contact the NSPCC helpline for free support and advice. Call them on 0808 800 5000

Children can contact Childline any time to get support themselves.

#### TikTok Warning

We are aware that some of our pupils are using TikTok outside of school. Some of the content on this site is not safe for children; there are currently many things on there that are causing real safety concerns. The official age for the site is 13+ due to the content which is not appropriate for children below this age restriction.

#### <u>School Meals</u>



The cost of a school dinner for children in Nursery and KS2 (Years 3 to 6) is £2.40 per day. Payment for school dinners must be paid in advance using our on-line system, ParentPay. If there are insufficient funds on your child's account, you will be asked to pay immediately or bring sandwiches into school.

#### Packed Lunches and Breaktime Snacks

If your child brings a packed lunch from home, there is only one school stipulation that it should NOT include any sweets. However, we politely request that, as we have pupils in school with an allergy to nuts, that parents do not send children with nuts or anything in their lunchbox containing peanuts. Snacks for break times should be healthy, e.g. fruit or vegetables.

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#### <u>Parking</u>

Please ensure that you do not park on the yellow zigzag lines or block our neighbours' entrances. We have received complaints from local residents about driveways being blocked, driveways being used to turning and cars exceeding a safe speed limit. It is an offence to block a resident's driveway so that they cannot exit their property.

Due to a recent fire at a property near the school, there is likely to be an increase in vehicles, particularly lorries, at collection time reducing the available parking further.

We have also received complaints regarding parking on the Sports and Social Club car park. The parking is strictly for club members only.



#### Bag2School

Children grow out of clothes so fast that they are still in good condition when they no longer fit. We all have clothing in our wardrobes that we haven't worn in ages! In a world of fast fashion, we now have a lot of stuff - but when it comes to a clear out what do you do to make sure the environment comes off best?

We will be doing a 'bag2school' collection. The more bags of clothing we get; the more money we raise as payment is based upon weight.

Bag2School accept the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE\*: men's, ladies' and children's clothing, paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around), handbags, hats, bags, scarves and ties, jewellery, lingerie, socks, belts, soft toys, household linen, curtains, towels, bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers.

We will be sending home a collection bag with children in the next week, however Bag2School will accept any items that are bagged (e.g. bin liner, other charity sacks).

Bags need to be in school by 4pm on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May, however we can accept donations as soon as you've bagged them up and we will store them for you.

Get sorting!



We are having a



## **fundraising collection**





Please give good quality:-

- adults' & children's clothing
- paired shoes
- lingerie, socks, hats, scarves, belts & ties
- handbags & jewellery
- soft toys
- household linen, curtains, towels & bedding (sheet, duvet covers & pillow cases)

## The more we collect, the more we raise!!



## Please return bag to school by

4pm on

Wednesday 26th May 2021



# Raise FREE donations for

## Albrighton Primary School and Nursery

# every time you shop online

## Find us on easyfundraising.org.uk

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/albrightonpschlnursery /?invite=Q0GFBI&referral-campaign=c2s

> 4,300 online sites will give us a free donation when you shop with them - at no extra cost to you!





Fundraising

Over the coming months, we will be undertaking a variety of fundraising activities to raise money for canopies and safe surfaces for Early Years outside areas and play equipment for the main site.

You can start fundraising now and it won't cost you a penny. We have registered with easyfundraising, the UK's biggest charity fundraising website.

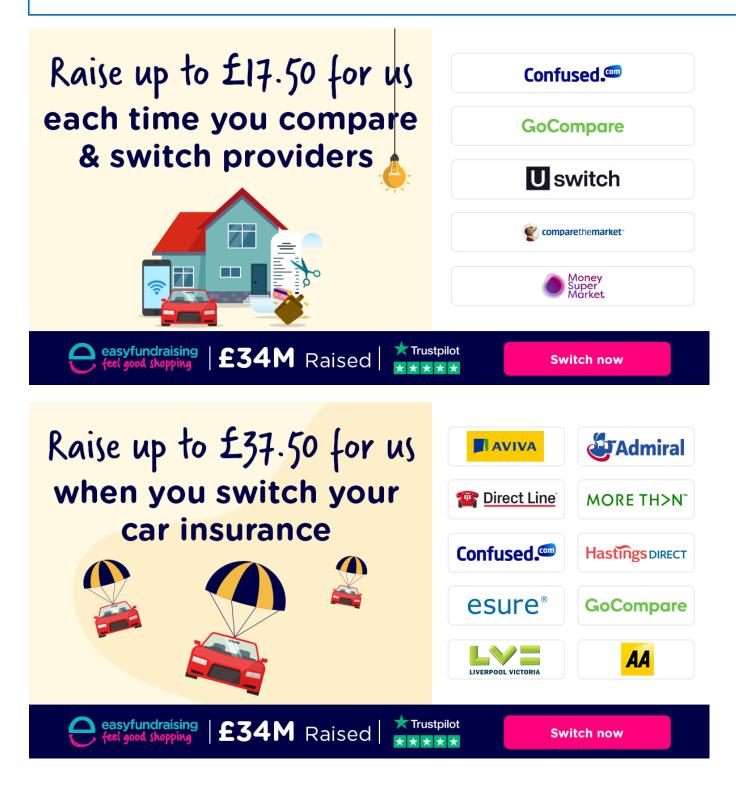
## feel good shopping

Easyfundraising turns everyday online shopping into donations to the easyfundraising.org.uk school at no cost to you. It's simple to use and it's FREE. Use the easyfundraising website to link to over 4,300 retailers and

then shop as normal.

Once you've made your purchase the retailer will make a donation to the school. Use the link below to register and if your purchases raise £5 within 12 months, we will receive an additional donation from easyfundraising.

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/albrightonpschlnursery/?invite=Q0GFBI&referral-campaign=c2s





# Handmade Woodcraft

# Sale Day



# May 10<sup>th</sup> to May 13th

## 11am – 3pm

A selection of bedding, perennial and vegetable plants for Sale, along with handmade woodcraft items.

The Albrighton Trust, Blue House Lane, Albrighton, WV7 3FL

01902 372441 Charity N0 1000402





## Spring 2021 Menu - Week 3

Weeks Commencing: 22 March 21, 26 April 21, 17 May 21, 14 June 21, 5 July 21

	Marvellous Monday	Tasty Tuesday	Wicked Wednesday	Thrilling Thursday	Fruity Friday		
MAINS	Bacon Carbonarra Or Red Pesto Pasta (v) Or Jacket Potato (v)	Fish Burger Or Quorn Meatball Sub (v) Or Omelette (v)	Roast Chicken & Yorkshire Pudding Or Savoury Mince & Yorkshire Pudding (v)	BBQ Chicken Noodles Or Cheese & Bean Tortilla Quiche (v) Or Toastie (v)	Pizza - Cheese & Tomato (v) Or Beef & Veg Pie Or Jacket Potato (v)		
SIDES	Slice of Bread Baked Beans Sweetcorn	~~~ Potato Swirls Baked Beans Peas	Roast Potatoes Creamed Potatoes Carrots Broccoli	Slice of Bread Baked Beans Mixed Vegetables	~~~ French Fries Baked Beans Sweetcorn		
DESSERTS	NNN Blueberry Muffin Fruit Salad Fruit Yogurts	~~~ Jelly Pot Fruit Salad Fruit Yogurts	rrr Chocolate Pudding & Chocolate Sauce Fruit Salad Fruit Yogurts	Shortbread Fruit Salad Fruit Yogurts	raw Fruity Friday Frozen Desserts Fruit Pots Yogurts		
Packed Lunch menu all served with fruit & salad, cheese portion, juice or water & dessert of the day							
	Wraps	Sandwich	Wrap	Sandwich	Crackers		