

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Newsletter 30 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2021

# Headteacher's Note:

Hi everyone,

Sports day went extremely well yesterday. Great fun was had by all of the children. One thing that stood out to me in particular, was the great sportsmanship that was demonstrated by all of them. The staff and I felt very proud. We sincerely hope that next year, you will be able to join us once again.

I know that most of you will be aware but feel I must re-iterate that cases of coronavirus are rising within the area again so now is not the time to be complacent.

We currently have four members of staff off school, three who are having to isolate because they have come into contact with someone who has tested positive and the fourth member who has fallen ill with coronavirus during their isolation period.

Please let me assure you that no contagion has come into the school with every staff member testing negative on the last day they were present.

Kindest Regards

Julie Bratt



Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July: End of Term

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September: 11am to 12:30pm - school office open for collection of school uniform ordered through our online shop

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September: Return to school (Y1-Y6) Phased start (Reception)

## Class Heroes:

Reception Rangers:

Zara & Malakai

Shooting Stars:

Grace

Racing Rockets:

Harry

Cosmic Comets:

Isabell

Skyflyers:

Daniel

Voyagers:

Ava & Alfie

Starships:

Angel

Explorers:

Lydia

Red Arrows:

Jeremiah & Oscar

Well Done!



# Thank You

We would like to say a huge 'Thank You' to:-

- Mrs Smith for the donation of books and educational toys that she
  has purchased for the school. We really appreciate your kind
  generosity.
- Albrighton Garden Centre who donated pebbles and sands for nursery to create a beach and plants, seedlings and canes to Y5/Y6 for their topic work.

# Sports Day

Here are a few pictures from Sports Day. Next week we will devote a section to our Sports week.



# Meet our Governing Body





My name is David Dale and I'm a community governor and Chair of the Finance committee.

I've been retired for a long time and came to live in Albrighton in 2014. Before I retired, I had lots of different jobs in finance, accountancy, purchasing and general management, both in England and abroad.

I have two children Steven and Kate, and now 4 grandchildren Freya, Darcie, Nathan and Faye.

#### My Favourites

Food: spaghetti Bolognese Movies: Colour Purple and Love Actually

Colour:bluePlace:DartmouthSport:sailing and golfAnimal:elephantBooks:Jack ReacherSubjects:geography

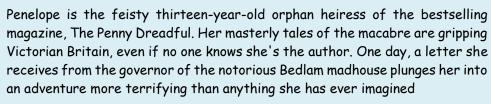
# The Albrighton Book Worm



Title: Twelve Minutes to Midnight

Author: Christopher Edge Reviewed By: Mrs Tearle

#### Plot - What happens in the story



Why are the patients of Bedlam waking every night at twelve minutes to midnight? What is the meaning of the strange messages they write? Who is the Spider Lady of South Kensington?

Penelope is always seeking mysteries to fill the pages of her magazine. But this isn't any ordinary story, it's the future.

And the future looks deadly...

#### Characters

A feisty 13-yearold girl called Penelope Tredwell, who is an orphan heiress of a bestselling magazine.

# The next 2 books in the trilogy:-

Shadows of the Silver Screen

The Black Crow Conspiracy

#### Who would like this story?

This is a great, atmospheric thriller aimed at the 10+ reader. It is the first book in a trilogy written by author Christopher Edge. The story draws the reader quickly into the plot and action quickly. An exciting story that has great description to help the reader visualise the Victorian setting.

Penny, is a great lead character as she's brilliant and plucky, and really smart. You can't help linking her. The villains are well thought out and really get the reader concerned about what might be about to happen.

This is the sort of book that once you start reading, you can't put down.

A really enjoyable read.





# Wellbeing over the Summer

With the Summer now upon us, hopefully we can look forward to some warmer, brighter longer days.

We know working whilst taking care of a family can be a daunting prospect and finding ways to keep children occupied during the summer months when your usual sources of support may not be available can present another challenge for busy parents. Below are some ideas to keep the children occupied:

#### Summer Activity Ideas

Summer Activity Guide for children contains 6 weeks of activity ideas for both younger and older children, to keep them occupied over the summer holidays. Summer\_holiday\_activity\_quide.pdf (sheffield.ac.uk)

#### Department for Education - My Activity Passport

My Activity Passport developed by the Department for Education is an editable activity checklist for children under 11. Although social distancing may mean some activities are not currently feasible, you can tailor the remaining activities to suit your child and their interests.

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#### Radio 2's Big Bee Challenge

Looking for a new challenge? The BBC have launched a summer competition for children, aged between 6 and 12 years old to have a go at designing a garden that will attract bees and other pollinating insects. You can find out more here.

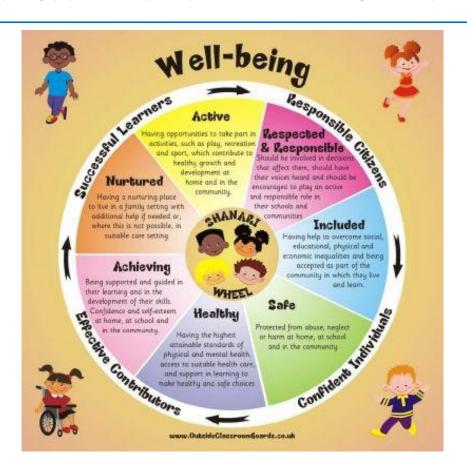
#### BBC Radio 2 - Radio 2's Big Bee Challenge

To celebrate the launch of the competition, the Royal Horticultural Society have created these activity cards for you to try out over the summer. <u>BBC Radio 2 Big Bee Challenge / RHS Campaign for School Gardening</u>

#### Woodland Trust - Summer holidays: outdoor activities for kids

The Woodland Trust have put together some ideas to help your family get out and explore the natural world together. Summer Holidays: Outdoor Activities for Kids - Woodland Trust

Further ideas and advice on physical activity to support wellbeing: <a href="www.mind.org.uk/information-support/tips-for-everyday-living/physical-activity-and-your-mental-health/choosing-an-activity/">www.mind.org.uk/information-support/tips-for-everyday-living/physical-activity-and-your-mental-health/choosing-an-activity/</a>



# What we've been learning in ... COMPUTING

In Albrighton Primary School we have a consistent approach to teach children to use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly.

In Albrighton Primary
School we incorporate
technology in our classrooms everyday. In addition to this, We use technology to support children
with additional needs to
allow them to access the
curriculum.



In Reception, they have been learning how to operate simple hardware and software. The pupils have been learning how to click on different icons to type their names.

In Year 1 and 2, pupils have been learning how to programme algorithms. They began by programming a friend to follow the story of The Hungry Caterpillar and they are now beginning to use BeeBots. The children learnt they needed to debug their algorithms if they missed an instruction.







In Year 3 and 4, linking to their themes, pupils have gained skills to use a range of programs. Pupils are confident to design, write and debug programs that accomplish specific goals. Using Scratch they use logical reasoning to explain how algorithms work.

In year 5/6 children have been learning about time lapse photography. Using the Ipads, they have experimented with time lapse photography of clocks, a balloon expanding and cress moving to face sunlight.



# BEAM sessions for Parents

Please see below for training sessions being offered by BEAM during July & August

All sessions take place on MS Teams.

There is no need to book - just click into the link at the session time.

Mental Health & Emotional well-being in children & young people.	We will cover:  Effective communication.  Empathy V Sympathy.  Overview of common emotional wellbeing topics such as anxiety, depression, self-harm, suicidal ideation and anger.	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2021 12pm - 1.30pm	Join on your computer or mobile app Click here to join the meeting Learn More   Meeting options
Sleepy Heads.  2 session workshop around sleep & common issues.	Session 1:  Sleep stages.  Sleep hygiene.  Bedtime routines.	Wednesday 21st July 2021 12pm-1.30pm	Join on your computer or mobile app Click here to join the meeting Learn More   Meeting options
It is advisable to attend both sessions.	Session 2:  Tackling common issues around sleep including: Prolonged night- time awakenings. Bedtime refusal & resisitance. Teen sleep.	Wednesday 4th August 2021 12pm-1.30pm	Join on your computer or mobile app Click here to join the meeting Learn More   Meeting options
Managing anxious behaviours in young people.	We will cover:  What anxiety is.  Science of anxiety.  How to support.	Wednesday 18th August 2021 12pm - 1.30pm	Join on your computer or mobile app Click here to join the meeting Learn More   Meeting options



# BBC One's Eat Well For Less? is back on the hunt for households looking to save on their food shop!

# Email: eatwell@rdftelevision.com 0117 9707632

We are looking to represent the whole of the UK and will consider all applications.

Any information you give us will be processed in accordance with our privacy notice, a copy of which is available on request.



# Holiday fun and food in Shropshire

A free and exciting holiday programme for children and young people aged 5 to 16 in receipt of free school meals. Take part in sport, music, drama, art, cooking, gardening and much more during the Summer and Christmas holidays, 2021. Free, nutritious meals will be provided for each session.

Have fun with your friends, learn new skills, gain confidence and get involved!

Part of the government's expanded Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme being delivered across Shropshire.

Find out more, view the 'What's On' guide and sign up to our newsletter at www.shropshire.gov.uk/haf

- @ShropFamilytnfo, #HAFSHROPSHRE, #HAF2021
- www.facebook.com/ShropshireFamilyInfo

Funded by the Department for Education

# Term Dates 2021/2022

AUTUMN TERM 2021					
Wednesday, 1st September 2021	PD Day (staff only)				
Thursday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2021	Return to school				
Thursday, 21st October 2021	Break up for half term				
Friday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2021	PD Day (staff only)				
Friday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> October - Friday, 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2020					
Half Term Holiday					
Monday, 1st November 2021	Return to School				
Friday, 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	Break up for Christmas				
Monday, 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2020 – Tuesday, 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2021 Christmas Holiday					
SPRING TERM 2022					
Tuesday, 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	PD Day (staff only)				
Wednesday, 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	Return to School				
Thursday, 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	Break up for half term				
Friday, 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	PD Day (staff only)				
Friday, 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2022 - Friday, 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2022 Half Term Holiday					
Monday, 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	Return to School				
Thursday, 7 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Break up for Easter				
Friday, 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	PD Day (staff only)				
Friday, 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2022 - Friday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2022 Easter Holiday					
SUMMER TERM 2022					
Monday, 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Return to school				
Monday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2022	May Bank Holiday				
Friday, 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Break up for Whitsun holiday				
Monday, 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2022 - Friday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2022 Half Term Holiday					
Monday, 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	Return to School				
Thursday, 21st July 2022	Break up for summer				

<sup>\*</sup>PD Days are subject to change



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DESSERTS

# Spring 2021 Menu - Week 3

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

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Bacon Carbonarra Or Red Pesto Pasta (v) Or Jacket Potato (v)

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Slice of Bread Baked Beans Sweetcorn

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Blueberry Muffin Fruit Salad Fruit Yogurts

# Tasty Tuesday

Fish Burger Or Quorn Meatball Sub (v) Or Omelette (v)

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Potato Swirls Baked Beans Peas

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Jelly Pot Fruit Salad Fruit Yogurts

# Wicked Wednesday

Roast Chicken &
Yorkshire Pudding
Or
Savoury Mince &
Yorkshire Pudding (v)

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Roast Potatoes Creamed Potatoes Carrots Broccoli

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Chocolate Pudding & Chocolate Sauce Fruit Salad Fruit Yogurts

# Thrilling Thursday

BBQ Chicken Noodles
Or
Cheese & Bean Tortilla
Quiche (v)
Or
Toastie (v)

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Slice of Bread Baked Beans Mixed Vegetables

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Shortbread Fruit Salad Fruit Yogurts

## Fruity Friday

Pizza - Cheese &
Tomato (v)
Or
Beef & Veg Pie
Or
Jacket Potato (v)

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French Fries Baked Beans Sweetcorn

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Pruity 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