

Alt Bridge School

Head teacher's Newsletter

14th June 2024



Dear families,

The end of the school year is fast approaching and you will know that this term is absolutely packed with fabulous activities for our students as well as bringing their learning projects to a conclusion and also preparing everyone for the next academic year.

We have some key dates coming up which include year 6 transition week, year 11 transition week, year 11 leavers week, sports day, enrichment passport events, a series of Duke of Edinburgh trips, residential and much more! We are very keen to ensure the best attendance yet from our students leading up to summer term.

Our end-of-term celebration assemblies are having a lift this term with some performances from some of our students and a slide of photos provided by our professional photographer. We also have plenty of awards, trophies, medals and certificates to present our students with. Assemblies will begin at 9:00am. Refreshments will be served to families. We hope you can join us in celebrating the achievements of our students this term.

Best wishes,

Mrs Menagh
Head teacher

MOBILE PHONE POLICY

We ask that all parents and carers support school with our mobile phone policy by ensuring that students ***leave mobile phones at home*** when they board transport to school. Only students who are independent travellers would be expected to bring phones to school and these must be handed into our office on arrival.

SOME KEY DATES

JUNE 2024

Week beginning 17th June – year 11 leaver's week

Thursday 20th June – Year 11 and post-16 leavers PROM from 6pm-8pm

Monday 24th June – Enrichment passport graduation (details to follow)

Tuesday 25th June – Enrichment passport graduation (details to follow)

Wednesday 26th June – Enrichment passport graduation (details to follow)

Thursday 26th June – Enrichment passport graduation (details to follow)

Week beginning 24th June – post-16 transition week for year 11s coming to post-16 next year.

Wednesday 26th June – Key stage 3 sports day

Thursday 27th June – Key stage 4 sports day

JULY 2024

Week beginning 1st July – Year 6 transition week

Thursday 4th July – Mock election day to coincide with the general elections

End-of-year celebration assemblies – parents and carers welcome to attend

- Tuesday 9th July from 9:00am – Post-16 celebration assembly
- Wednesday 10th July from 9:00am – year 7 celebration assembly
- Monday 15th July from 9:00am – year 8 celebration assembly
- Tuesday 16th July from 9:00am – year 9 celebration assembly
- Thursday 18th July from 9:00am – year 10 celebration assembly

Friday 19th July – LAST DAY OF TERM – 1pm finish

NEW SCHOOL TIMETABLE FROM SEPTEMBER 2024

School Times	
8:00-9:15am	BREAKFAST CLUB PROVISION Dining hall (students must be signed in)
9:15-9:30	Arrival of students – to main yard & greeted by staff
9:30-9:45	REGISTRATION/Form time
9:45-10:15	Reading development sessions for all students
10:15-11:00	Lesson 1
11:00-11:15	Morning break & snack
11:15-12:00	Lesson 2
12:00-12:40	Lesson 3
12:40-12:45	REGISTRATION at end of lesson 3
12:45-13:45	LUNCH
13:45-14:30	Lesson 4
14:30-15:15	Lesson 5
15:15-15:30	Form time and departure

Pride 2024

Alt Bridge has been alive with colour once again for this year's Pride march and celebrations 2024. Our students and staff are leading the way with their commitment to equalities and the celebration of diversity.



Kindness Champions

Each week, students nominate others for Kindness awards. Our Kindness Champions for this week are;

Jamie (10.3)

For helping another student at his station every week during catering.

Mikey (post-16)

For being extremely kind to staff.

Rhys (8:2)

For supporting another student when they were upset.

So nice to see so many acts of kindness this week, please keep encouraging students to use their weekly kindness vote!

SHARE Knowsley charity football match

We were delighted to host another refugee charity football match once again at Alt Bridge this year. Students and staff took part in the tournament alongside refugees who work with SHARE Knowsley. The event was enjoyed by all!



Shakespeare North Playhouse Trip

As part of their English study of William Shakespeare's *The Tempest*, Year 7 enjoyed a visit to Shakespeare North Playhouse to watch a live performance of the play. Our students were impeccably behaved and really enjoyed the performance in the Sir Kenn Dodd Performance Garden. Students have been studying the play since Easter and this amazing performance allowed their learning to be brought to life!



Enrichment Passport Graduations 2024

So many students are graduating this year through their enrichment passports that our event will need to take place over four days! This is absolutely amazing engagement from our students. We look forward to celebrating the achievements of our students in relation to their personal development as a whole school community.

STAY CONNECTED

Would you like to know more about how your child is getting on academically and socially? Look no further!

Parents and carers have a wealth of information available to them on how their child is getting on in school. We send out letters, newsletters and information via **ParentApp** and we also use **SeeSaw** and **Epraise**. Both of these systems can be accessed by parents and carers.

SeeSaw will show you your child's work in school and comments by teachers. Each student's learning journal is available online. The link to log onto SeeSaw is via our website;

Epraise is our behaviour for learning system and we give students merits and demerits for behaviour for learning. You will be able to communicate directly with staff via Epraise as well and catch up on how they are getting on in school. The link to log onto Epraise is via our website;

Safeguarding Team

The **Designated Safeguarding Leader for the school is Miss Richards** (Assistant Head teacher). We also have five other members of staff who are trained to the level of Designated Safeguarding Leaders;

Mrs Rodgers – Assistant Head teacher
Miss Pritchard – Pupil Welfare Coordinator
Mr Randall – Assistant Head teacher
Miss Townson – Learning Mentor
Miss Freeman – Learning Mentor

If you have any safeguarding concerns about a child who attends Alt Bridge, please report them to one of the DSLs above. You can also contact Knowsley Multi- Agency Safeguarding Hub on **0151 443 2600**.

Please note if you believe a child, young person or adult at immediate risk, you should contact the police urgently, CALL 999 EMERGENCY.

Epraise Behaviour for Learning Champions

EPRAISE UPDATES!!

The leading year group for the last week is **year 7!**

The leading form groups for the school are;

7:4 with 28137 points
10.5 with 23015 points
7:2 with 19549 points
8.5 with 19196 points
7:1 with 17896 points

Our top points achievers this **week** are;

Emily from 7:4 with 168 points
Oliver from 7:2 with 161 points
Christina from 7:2 with 161 points
Alfie from 7:4 with 160 points
Oliver from 7:2 with 160 points

Our top points achievers this **year** are students who have reached the governors award level! What an amazing achievement!

Thomas - 10.5 with 2937 points
Paige - 10.5 with 2861 points
Riley - 7:4 with 2805 points
Tyler - 7:4 with 2729 points
Lucy - 7:4 with 2655 points

If any parent or carer still needs to log onto the Epraise support or needs support, please contact Mrs Richards via the school office. We will need your email address in order for you to get set up.

Parents/carers can keep up-to-date with their child's merits and points via this system and also send us messages.