

# ALTMORE NEWS

## Attendance traffic lights

These are designed to give you guidance on when your child should be attending school.

**GREEN**  
**COME TO SCHOOL**  
**Mild cough**  
**Mild cold**  
**Sore throat**  
(unless accompanied by a raised temperature)  
**Feeling tired**  
 \* We will contact you if your child deteriorates during the school day.

**AMBER**  
**TAKE ADVICE!**  
 A child who has a mild headache does not normally need to be kept off school.  
 If the headache is more severe or is accompanied by other symptoms or drowsiness then keep your child at home and consult your GP.

**RED**  
**STAY AT HOME**  
**Raised Temperature and Rashes** can be the first sign of many infectious illnesses such as Chicken Pox and Measles. If your child has a rash, check with your GP before sending them to school.  
**Vomiting and diarrhoea**  
 Children can return to school after 48 hours.

Monday 4th December – Christmas Fayre

**End of Term 2: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

**Start of Term 3: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018**

**The school cannot authorise absences during term time.**

## Dream team



At the beginning of November, Year 1 took part in their first sports tournament, which was Multi Skills. There were 14 schools altogether and Altmore came in 7th place! The children really enjoyed themselves and are very much looking forward to their next tournament.



### A Visit from the Vet

Year 1 had an excellent visit from a veterinary nurse from the PDSA who spoke to the children about the role of the charity and how to keep animals safe. This was linked to the Science topic of 'Animals including Humans'.



This term Year 1 visited Mudchute farm, where children were given the opportunity to feed different animals whilst learning about them. Children loved being outdoors and seeing the animals. On their return, children used their new knowledge to write about their visit.

### **Christmas Lunch**

The dates for Christmas Lunch are as follows:-  
 5/12/17 – Year 2 Christmas lunch  
 7/12/17 – Year R Christmas lunch  
 8/12/17 – Year 1 Christmas lunch

Tickets are available for parents from the office till  
**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December** at a cost of **£3**.

### **The Nativity Performances**

**11th December - doors open at 9:45am to start promptly at 10am** - Nursery Blue am, Nursery Green, Reception classes 1 and 5, classes 8, 10 and 11.

**13th December - doors open at 9:45am to start promptly at 10am** - Nursery Red am, Reception classes 2 and 3, class 6, 7, 12 and 13.

**14th December - doors open at 2:00pm to start promptly at 2:15pm** - Nursery Blue, Red and Green pm, Reception class 4, class 9, 14 and 15.

Tickets are **£1 each** and are limited to **2 tickets per family**. They go on sale from **Monday 4th December** and can be bought from the class teacher.

### **Reading Café**

**Class 10** had such a lovely time sharing books! We had a table with Christmas stories from around the world; stories from different cultures; a table where we talked about our feelings and books about animals, since we are learning about them in year 1.



### **The Big First Aid Lesson**

On 3<sup>rd</sup> November across the UK, children took part in the Big First Aid Lesson - a fantastic opportunity for children to learn first aid. The theme was Bonfire night and learning how to deal with firework-related injuries. The programme, hosted by school children and television star Reece Buttery, was aimed at primary school students and included practical elements, animations and interactive activities to give young people lifesaving skills.

### **It's good to talk**

It has come to our attention that when some parents collect their child from school, they are too pre-occupied with talking on their mobile phones to even ask how their day was. Please put the phone away; give your child your full attention and the benefit of a good language model when you pick them up at the end of the school day. In addition, it is not permitted for parents who accompany educational visits with a class to use mobile phones, due to safeguarding.

### **Times of Day**

Altmore school gates open at **8.30am**. Soft start is from **8.45am**. It would be great if your child were in school by **8.50am**. Gates close at **8.55am** when learning begins. Due to Staff Briefing on Fridays there is no soft start & nursery gate doesn't open till 8.55am.