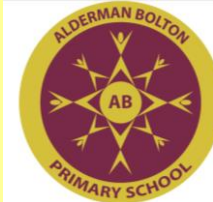
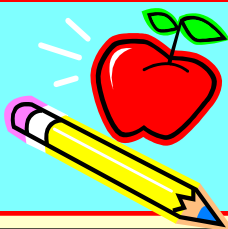




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Alderman Bolton Newsletter

This week in Class...

Attendance

This week has been a week of new starts for 6P. We have started our new maths topic: area and perimeter. The perimeter is the distance around a 2d shape whereas the area:

'To find the area of a square and a rectangle, you need to multiply the Length by the Width' Solav Hassan

We discovered 3 methods to calculate the area of a triangle: 1) half the Length x Width 2) Length x half the Width 3) Length x Width and half the total

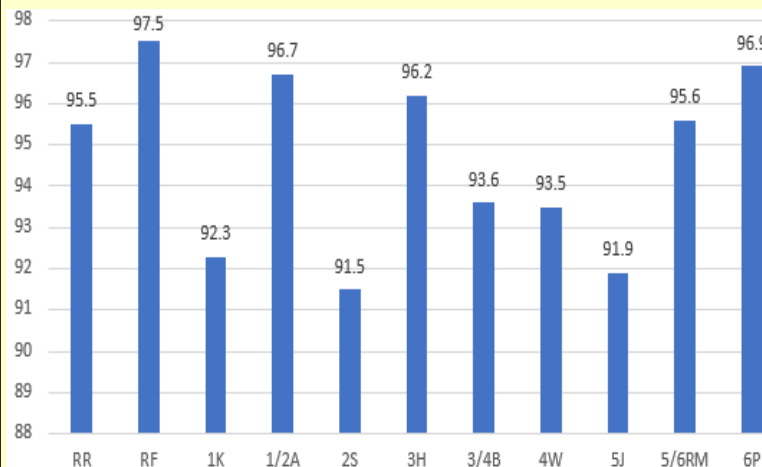
In English, we have been focusing on Biographies and Autobiographies. Our overall theme this half term is the book 'The Man Who Walked between the Towers'. It follows the story of the French daredevil Philippe Petit who walked between the Twin Towers in New York on a tight rope. The class are fascinated by his dangerous accomplishments he has completed, all without safety equipment.

'Did you know; Philippe Petit was expelled from 5 schools before he was 18?' Jenna Welsh

Finally, during this week we are excited to start our new class reading book. The class chose 'HeadKid' by David Baddiel.

'I like this book because it's funny as the children are in charge of the school!' Alfie Beech

They have found it hilarious and even suggested they should write about what they would do if they were in charge of the school. Lydia Houghton wrote 'If I were in charge, I would pay the teachers a bit more money; they would have to pay me as well though!' and Niamh Guy wrote that she would shorten the school day from 9:00am till 2:00pm.



Congratulations to Class RF who were the highest attending class last week. The overall attendance was 95% which is the national average.

A Star in the Making...

We would like to say a huge "well done" to a star in the making, **Jamie O'Dea**, on a fantastic performance in "HONK! The musical". Jamie, a member of 6P, performed as part of SHOWkids at the Pyramid centre on Saturday. Jamie was brilliant on stage and it was fantastic to see how his confidence had grown since their last performance! If you think your child would be interested in joining SHOWkids or you would like more information, visit the Facebook group (SHOWkids UK) or speak to Miss Johnson (Year 5).

Y2 Delamere Forest

If you would like your child to attend the Delamere Forest Residential, please complete the slip and hand in the deposit by Friday 8th February.

The children in years 3 and 4 will have a special treat on Monday next week when they will be visited by the Zoolab! This visit ties in to our Science topic of "Animals and Living Things"!

Below is an overview of the session!

Beast Creator

Specifically designed by ZooLab to complement 'Living Things and Their Habitats' and 'Animals including Humans', our 'Beast Creator' workshops lets you see the world through an insects eyes!

We discover that Earth is an incredibly diverse place with an unbelievable array of animals - meet arachnids, arthropods, molluscs, myriapods and more!

You will meet at least five (more, if times allows!) of our fascinating creatures and observe their weird and wonderful adaptations. Which will you choose for you very own Beast Creation?! Perhaps you will choose a radula, an exoskeleton, spinnerets, mandibles, spiracles or even urticating hairs? The choice is yours!

We are sure that the children will enjoy this session a great deal. Look out for updates on our Twitter feed (@ABCPSchool) on Monday as well as next weeks newsletter for some reactions from the children!

Book Review

Reviewed by Sheyan Ahmed (6P)

Title: Kensuke's Kingdom

Author: Michael Morpurgo

Non-Fiction

This book is about a boy called Michael who finds himself stranded on a deserted island with only his dog (who is called Stella Artois) with him. A mysterious being keeps leaving him food and water every morning and Michael is curious to find out who. Months pass by as he tries to leave the island and discovers who Kensuke really is. He learns Kensuke is a soldier from World War 2 and is convinced his home town is destroyed. Michael and Kensuke work together to attempt to get home. Will they succeed?

Kensuke's Kingdom is suitable for all ages and I think most people will be interested in this book, including children and adults, as one of the themes is about life choices.

I would definitely recommend this book to anyone because it is really interesting and makes you want to know more about Michael and Kensuke. I really enjoy the parts where Michael tries to find ways and is determined to find his lost family.

Rating: 5/5!

Governors Feedback

The Standards Committee of Governors met recently to look at the attainment and progress of children during the Autumn Term.

Governors would like to congratulate the children and the school for their achievements in the national tests last year. In the Foundation Stage we are in line with the National Average. Within the nine areas of Key Stage One, we are in line with National Average in six areas and above in the three areas linked to reading.

There is a similar picture in Key Stage Two, and we achieved above the national average for children attaining the expected standard in writing, maths and the combined subjects. As you know our main area of development is Reading at Greater Depth. Governors were highly impressed with the standard of display shown in the 'Doorway,' competition.

Well done everyone.

The Full Governing Body Meeting for the spring term was a very busy one. One of the main areas covered was our discussion on our vision and aims for the school moving forward. The Governors are united in our commitment to put children first in all that we do, as we believe passionately in the value of belonging to the Alderman Bolton Family where aspirations are nurtured and developed. This discussion will be shared with the School Council and all the children in the next few weeks as we would like to take on board their views.

Governors also spent time analyzing their skills and contribution to the school to drive our work forward in the future. Information within the Headteacher's Report was considered and we were delighted with the most recent report from our independent School Improvement partner which continues to show that we are a good school with elements of outstanding practice. Governors were particularly impressed with the work in the children's writing books which we were shown. Thank you to **everyone**.