

Alderbrook School

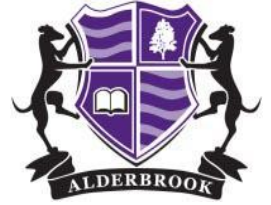
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Dear Parents/Carers

The first half term has continued to fly by. I have been in a large number of lessons since the start of the year and have been hugely impressed by the attitude and application of the students. A special mention to the students who joined the school in September; they have made a fantastic start and we are delighted to have them as part of the Alderbrook community. I also want to take this opportunity to thank all students who were involved in Open Evening last week. Whether they were speaking on the main stage, acting as guides for visitors, or supporting in subject areas, all students were an absolute credit.

Below are a few important housekeeping reminders that we'd appreciate your support with.

Driving on site

Please do not come onto site for any other reason than an appointment with staff or if you have a pass to drop off and pick up. Please do not come onto site to drop off and pick up at the new car park site. This is visitor parking only and buses need that area free in the morning and afternoon to park and for the students to load onto the buses safely.

Forgotten items

We realise, particularly for our new year 7 students that the start of the new academic year and in their case, transition to a new school setting, brings a lot of new routines and items to remember. However, we are getting a high number of parents and carers dropping in forgotten items to Reception, particularly PE kit. Students should not be using their phones in school to contact home and ask for parents/carers to bring this or any other item in. We do not have staff capacity to be taking these items to students and will not interrupt learning to drop them off. We encourage our students to be organised and responsible and remembering their PE kit, homework, equipment etc, is part of this learning and maturing as they go through secondary school. Please support us with this important aspect of being a secondary school student.

Appointments

A very important reminder that if your child needs to have an appointment during the school day, you must write a note in their planner or send a letter into school. We do not have staff capacity to go and pick your child up from a lesson where the teacher does not know to release them because no note has been provided. Following our procedures allows us to release your child from lesson with time for them to sign out as part of our safeguarding procedures. You will run the risk of your child being late for their appointment if they are not prepared and ready to come out of lessons. Thank you for your support and co-operation with this.

Solihull Society of Arts – Local History Circle

As you may be aware, Alderbrook has a long history of partnership with the Solihull Society of Arts. From time to time we promote events that SSA holds, some of which happen in school and others locally.

The SSA Solihull Local History Circle meets at 7:15 on the third Monday of the month in the Methodist Hall in Station Road. The next two meetings are:

Monday October 17th THE HISTORY OF ELMDON. The history of the house, grounds & park, bought by the Council in 1944, and then opened as a park.

Monday November 21st MONASTIC WARWICKSHIRE. An illustrated tour of the monastic sites in Warwickshire including the two important sites in Solihull.

Further information on the Solihull Local History Circle can be found at:
sites.google.com/site/solihulllocalhistorycircle

Best wishes



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