

Together, We Can Make a Difference!

At Albemarle, we recognise the difference we can make to other people's lives and the happiness a simple gift can bring.

Starting on Monday 2nd October, in preparation for this year's harvest, we will be collecting a number of items including

For the Kitchen; tins, packets of dried food, soup, sugar, tin tomatoes and rice

For the laundry; toothpaste, tooth brushes, shower gel and soap

to give to the local food bank. If you would like to make a donation, please bring it in to the Lower or Upper school office.

Let's Dance

This term, Albemarle welcomes back the Garner Academy of Dance – which has reopened at the school.

GADance is a specialist boys' dance academy (for children aged 6 years and above). Classes are taught by Mr Ben (professional ballet dancer and West End performer) who also teaches at Albemarle on a Thursday.



If you would like your son to attend either the Dance Attack or Boys' Ballet classes there are a number of spaces available in the on Saturday mornings. Albemarle pupils will receive 20% discount on their first term. For more information visit www.garneracademydance.com

Anyone for Coffee ?

A huge, thank you to all the parents who attended our first PTA coffee morning of 2017. This was a great chance to get together over coffee and look at ways we can fund raise and make Albemarle even better.

In today's meeting parents came up with a number of great ideas and suggestions to fund raise and provide activities and events for the children to have fun but they also thought about a number of workshops and ways they could get together and share experiences.

If you would like to find out more and get involved, the next meeting will be on Friday 13th October at 9am. Everyone is welcome.

Trips Consultation

Thank you to all the parents and family members who took part in the consultation on how you pay for trips.

After a lot of thought and careful consideration, today I am pleased to announce that we have decided to introduce:

Option 1: £25.00 per year which covers all class trips during the whole year and includes the seaside and theatre, or

Option 2: £10.00 per year which covers all class trips during the whole year but excludes the seaside and theatre.

On Wednesday 4th October, parents will be able to log on to Sims Agora and select either Option 1 or Option 2.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the parents who took part in the consultation and hope that this will now provide a more seamless method of payment transactions across the school year.



Next week the Core Value is

'We are **Articulate**'

Goldilocks Leyla

Tomorrow, Leyla in year 5, will have 11 inches of her beautiful haircut.

To date, she has raised an amazing £510 for the "Little Princess Trust"

A big thank you to everyone who has sponsored Leyla so far, but there is still time to support her, just log on to:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/andrea-pinzon>



Anyone For Tennis ?

So far, just over 200 places for the Autumn term clubs have been filled but we still have a few spaces in some clubs remaining.

Club	Spaces Remaining	Cost for the remainder of term
Gymnastics Monday (Y1, 2 & 3)	1	£10
Film Monday (Y4, 5 & 6)	13	£10
Multisport Tuesday (Y1 & 2)	7	£10
Science Tuesday (Y4, 5 & 6)	6	£10
Teddy Tennis Wednesday (Y1)	1	£20
Football Wednesday (Y4, 5 & 6)	9	£10
Basketball Thursday (Y3, 4, 5 & 6)	6	£10
Tap Thursday (Y2, 3 & 4)	6	£20
Tag Rugby Friday (Y3, 4, 5 & 6)	10	£10
Teddy Tennis Friday (Y2)	6	£20

If you would like your child to attend one of the above, then log on to Sims Agora and book a space before they go.

In to Win

Each week, in assembly on Monday we gather together as a whole school to celebrate a number of things including 100% Attendance.

Next week on Thursday, Pete from the Factory Art Card will be in school to take pictures of all the children dressed up in big wigs, glasses and silly hats ready to take part in this year's 'In to Win'.

This year again the PTA, have kindly donated a new selection of books for the children to choose from, so now all we have to do is to be 'In school to win'.

Attendance and Punctuality

This week 6 of our 13 classes managed to exceed our attendance target of 97%.

Diamond	100%
Amber	99.23%
Amethyst	98.85%
Jade	98.72%
Sapphire	98.52%
Opal 1	97.66%

Emerald, Coral & Citrine just missed the target with 96%. Let's see if we can beat this next week and 10 out of 13 achieve the target next week.



October Half Term Fun

With only 15 school days to go until the October half term, if you haven't yet booked your break in the sunshine, Holiday School Care will be here to take care of your children.

Starting on Monday 23rd until Friday 27th October, Holiday School Care will be open from 8am to 6pm. To find about more log on to

www.holidayschoolcare.co.uk

Book before 1st October & receive up to 20% off

Have a great weekend. See you on Monday
Yours
Theresa Moses

