



ATWOOD
PRIMARY ACADEMY



NEWSLETTER

24 MAY 2019

SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM'S WELCOME

Wow! What a week we have had here at Atwood. Our intrepid Year 6 crew have enjoyed the outdoor life at Stubbers and although cold at night in their tents, they have enjoyed fine weather. My thanks go to the Atwood Team who have given up their own time to take the children away - I bet the washing machines of Sanderstead will be working overtime this weekend!

Our Young Arias trip to the BBC was wonderful. To be shortlisted to the final 3 in the Most Innovative Radio Station of the Year Category was a real achievement bearing in mind the majority of the entrants were secondary schools or 6th form colleges. Lion Radio has been on air for 18 months now and to get to the BBC Radio Theatre is testament to the talents of our children. Although we didn't win this year, our thoughts are turning to next year's entry.

Have a wonderful half term!

Rob Veale, Kate Standing, Nina Gambier,
Hannah Townsend & Michaela Groves
Senior Leadership Team

TEAM POINTS

Fire	227
Water	218
Earth	211
Air	194



DADS' BREAKFAST

We have a potential date for the next Dads' and Male Carers' Breakfast. As you will know, these sessions have proved extremely popular, giving dads the chance to spend some quality time together, having breakfast and playing games. We hope to hold this session on **Wednesday 19th June** – a confirmation email will be sent out after half term, but in the meantime, please do pop the date into your diaries!

HELP WITH CHILDCARE COSTS

HM Government have produced a flyer about help paying for childcare which you may find useful. Please see the details below.

HM Government **Childcare Choices**

HELP PAYING FOR CHILDCARE

MONEY TOWARDS CHILDCARE

Any **one** of the following schemes...

Age	Benefit	Eligibility	Scheme Name
0-11 <small>Or 16 if disabled</small>	Get up to £2000 per child	For working families	TAX-FREE CHILDCARE
0-16	Claim back up to 85% of costs	For working families	UNIVERSAL CREDIT
0-15 <small>Or 16 if disabled</small>	Claim back up to 70% of costs	For working families	TAX CREDITS

... can be used with

FREE HOURS OF CHILDCARE

Age	Benefit	Eligibility	Hours
2	For families getting certain government support		15 HOURS FREE CHILDCARE
3 & 4	For all families		15 HOURS FREE CHILDCARE
3 & 4	For working families		30 HOURS FREE CHILDCARE

AVAILABLE IN UK

AVAILABLE IN ENGLAND
For offers in Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland check childcarechoices.gov.uk
Speak to your provider about any additional charges that may apply

For full details visit
childcarechoices.gov.uk

Getting childcare vouchers?
Go to GOV.UK to find out more

BUY AND SELL BIKES

Croydon Road Safety have arranged for four pop-up bike markets to be hosted in some of the borough's parks for Bike Week.

What's a pop-up bike market?

Members of the public can buy or sell second-hand bikes at any of the markets. The idea is to create affordable stock for local communities. Those who cannot afford a brand-new bike from larger retailers have the chance to purchase a second-hand, working bike. Some people have bikes in storage that their children have outgrown, or just an older bike of theirs gathering rust where it's not used. These people can bring their bikes to the market - Peddle My Wheels will provide basic maintenance then sell on the bikes at a reduced price. Once bikes are sold, Peddle My Wheels pay the seller direct after taking a small commission. In essence, this model helps to 'recycle' bicycles within the community.

People looking for an adult bike or would like to enquire about specific sizes should use the market order form -<https://www.peddlemywheels.com/market-order-form>



The poster features a bicycle icon and the text 'PEDDLE MY WHEELS' in green. Below this is a green banner with 'POP-UP BIKE MARKETS' in white. The event dates and locations are listed in two columns: 10 JUNE LLOYD PARK, 13 JUNE PARK HILL RECREATION GROUND, 14 JUNE NORBURY PARK, and 15 JUNE WANDLE PARK. A central white circle contains the text '10am to 4pm'. Below the dates, there are two sections: 'SELL YOUR OLD BIKES' and 'BUY SECOND-HAND BIKES', each with a short paragraph of text. At the bottom, there is a white box containing contact information for Croydon Council and Peddle My Wheels, including the website and social media handles.

PEDDLE MY WHEELS

POP-UP BIKE MARKETS

10 JUNE
LLOYD PARK

13 JUNE
PARK HILL
RECREATION GROUND

14 JUNE
NORBURY PARK

15 JUNE
WANDLE PARK

**10am
to
4pm**

SELL YOUR OLD BIKES

Bring your unwanted bikes – whether they're kids, teens or adults sizes – with you in the morning for our mechanic to check over. We'll contact you with a suggested selling price, and once the bike sells, we'll notify you and pay you.

BUY SECOND-HAND BIKES

The market is a great opportunity to find a first bike, upgrade to the next size or just buy something new to get you back into cycling. If you're looking for an adult bike you need to pre-order using the form 'MARKET ORDER FORM' on our website.

THIS EVENT IS RUN IN CONJUNCTION WITH CROYDON COUNCIL

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www.croydon.gov.uk

VISIT PEDDLEMYWHEELS.COM FOR MORE INFO
Follow us on  Facebook,  Twitter and  Instagram @peddlemywheels

NEWS FROM THE FRIENDS OF ATWOOD

FOAP would like to thank everyone involved in the organisation of the first Table Top Sale, and all of those who attended. They are delighted to announce that the event raised £260!



Lego Fundraiser

FOAP are again taking part in a Fab-Bricks fundraiser, where children have the chance to order a personalised Lego minifigure or keyring, £1 from every order going to the school. Your child should have come home with an order form already, and if you would like to purchase anything, please visit:

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/friendsofatwoodprimaryassociation/266694>

You should then return your completed form to the school office.

Ice Lolly Sales

There will be more ice lolly and tuck sales after half term. Please keep an eye on the Friends of Atwood Facebook page for more information!



FIVE TIPS FOR DE-STRESSING GETTING TO SCHOOL!

Children don't understand time in the same way as adults. This can make school mornings a stressful time for parents.

Here are five tips that may help make things a little easier.

Tip One: The Crucial Ten Minutes

Why not get up 10 minutes earlier? This will give you a chance to grab a cup of tea or coffee, have a shower and get dressed in less of a rush than usual. Being up 10 minutes earlier also gives you a fair chance of making sure both you and your children are ready 10 minutes before you need to leave. This will give you time to gather your thoughts and make sure you have everything. No more rushing out of the door and rushing back to pick up forgotten items!

Tip Two: The Night Before

The night before, do everything that can be done to prepare for the morning. Lay out the school uniform, make packed lunches, sort snacks, check all homework and sports kits are where they should be.

Make showers/baths and hair washes part of the night time routine, rather than obstacles to overcome in the morning.

Tip Three: Have a Checklist

Either write an actual checklist for your child's school morning routine, or just verbally repeat the jobs they need to do until they remember them. A checklist could include: eating breakfast, getting dressed, brushing teeth and hair, packing lunch and water bottle, putting on shoes and coat.

It's good to have a plan of their weekly school routine somewhere handy too so that you know when school library books are due back, which day is swimming or PE, etc.

Tip Four: Provide a Pay-Off

Give kids an incentive so that if they finish their school morning routine early they are rewarded with some time for television, reading, or something they would like to do before school.

Tip Five: Use Devices

Set reminders on your phone for special tasks such as remembering to give your child signed permission slips or leaving early for a school club.

Think about setting an alarm for children who struggle to wake up. Set a time for tasks, such as 15 minutes to eat breakfast or 5 minutes for showering, so that you can keep your children on schedule.

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ATTENDANCE

	Week ending 17 th May	Week ending 24 th May
Infants (highest)	Green 99.7%	Red 98.7%
Juniors (highest)	4D 99.3%	4D 99.7%
Whole School (weekly)	97.8%	95.9%
Whole School (year to date)	96.5%	

Well done, 4D – fantastic attendance!!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Here are some useful dates for your diary for the Summer Term. Some of these dates are provisional: we aim to keep the dates as they are; however, there might be reasons why we need to amend dates. If this is the case, we will let you know as soon as possible. **Newly added items are in red.**

Tues 21st May – Reception Vision Screening

Wed 22nd May – Reception Vision Screening

Fri 24th May – Mufti Day - £2 donation in aid of Water Aid

Mon 27th May – HALF TERM

Mon 3rd Jun – Children return to school

Tues 4th Jun – Year 2 Wild Science Workshop

Thurs 6th Jun – Scooter Training (Years 1 & 2)

Monday 10th Jun – Nursery Wild Science Workshop

Wed 12th Jun – Reception to Bore Place

Wed 12th Jun – Year 6 to Chessington

Mon 17th Jun – 4D Class Assembly

Tues 18th Jun – New EYFS Parents' Meeting

Wed 19th Jun – **Dads' Breakfast (proposed date)**

Thurs 27th Jun – Sports Day

Sat 29th Jun – Summer Fair

Mon 1st Jul – 4P Class Assembly

Mon 1st Jul – Year 1 to the British Wildlife Centre

Tues 2nd Jul – Reception Induction Day

Tues 2nd Jul – Warlingham Induction Day

Wed 3rd Jul – Early Years Fun Day

Wed 3rd Jul - Warlingham Induction Day

Thurs 4th Jul – Reception Induction Day

Thurs 4th Jul – Riddlesdown Induction Evening – 7:00pm

Fri 5th Jul – Camp Atwood

Fri 5th Jul – Riddlesdown Induction Day

Tues 9th Jul – EYFS Summer Production – 9:30am and 2:00pm

Tues 9th Jul – Year 5 & 6 Production – 7:00pm

Wed 10th Jul – Sports Day Backup Date (please note change of date from 8th July)

Thu 11th Jul - Year 5 & 6 Production – 7:00pm

Fri 19th Jul – Year 6 Leavers' Party

Tues 23rd Jul – Year 6 Leavers' Assembly – 9:30am

Tues 23rd Jul – **LAST DAY OF TERM.** School closes at 1:30pm. No After School Care.