

Term Times	
Autumn Term	5 th September Training Day
	6 th September - 21 st October
	31 st October - 16 th December
Spring Term	3 rd January Training Day
	4 th January - 17 th February
	27 th February - 7 th April
Summer Term	24 th April Training Day
	25 th April - 26 th May
	5 th June Training Day
	6 th June - 24 th July

Autumn Term dates	
Tue 6 th Sept	School re-opens 8.50am
Thurs 15 th Sept	Year 1 - 6 swimming starts.
Fri 16 th Sept	Class 3 begin Samba music sessions (in school as part of curriculum lessons)
Fri 7 th Oct	National Fiji Day Celebration in school (Details TBC)
Fri 21 st Oct	2.30pm Class 2 celebration assembly. Parents welcome. End of half term. (school closes 3.15pm)
Mon 31 st Oct	School re-opens 8.50 am Safety Week
Wed 2 nd Nov	Fire Safety Officer Visit
Tue 8 th Nov	Parents Evening Scholastic Book fair week (open to parents every day after school 3-4pm)
Fri 11 th Nov	Service Pupils Annual Service Ripon Cathedral (Class 3)
Tue 13 th Dec	School Christmas lunch
Wed 14 th Dec	1.30pm Class 2+3 Christmas production. Class 2 + 3 Parents welcome.
Fri 16 th Dec	1.30pm Class 1 Christmas production Class 1 Parents welcome.
Fri 16 th Dec	End of Autumn Term. School closes 2.30pm



We will be maintaining our level of commitment to the School Sport Competition Pathway as we did last year.

Dates of the events in our area for our pupils will be confirmed in the next newsletter.

Alanbrooke Advertiser



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Alanbrooke School Families and Friends

Hello Alanbrooke Parents,

A very BIG welcome back to you all. We hope that you have had a restful and relaxing holiday and enjoyed the time together.

We would like to extend a special welcome to our new Reception starters who have settled brilliantly in to their new class. And finally we welcome new pupils and families in Years 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6. It's lovely to have so many new faces in school.

The Autumn Term has begun with some additions to our staff team too. We are delighted to have Miss Nicholson working in Reception as well as After School Club and Mrs Daly will be helping support and care for the children at lunchtimes. All staff work very closely together and we are here to help, so if you have any questions or problems please come in and talk to us straight away so we can deal with things quickly.

I hope that after reading the Newsletter you begin to get a flavour of some of the things going on at Alanbrooke School this year, but if you would like more information, please just ask any member of staff or you can always check our school website...

alanbrooke@n-yorks.sch.uk

We look forward to another year of working together.

Alanbrooke Believes Everyone Succeeds Together



Lunches

As you may know, we provide a **FREE** school lunch for our Reception, Y1 or Y2 pupils. The meals are all prepared freshly on the premises daily and Rachael does an amazing job at letting the children try a variety of healthy and nutritional foods. Choices of water or milk are available as part of their lunch. If your child would like to stay for a school lunch on any day of the week or you need to see a school menu, please let your child's class teacher know.

The cost for lunches for other children will remain at £10.50 per week (£2.10 per day) for Y3-Y6 children.

PE KIT

Your child must have PE kit in school on Monday and take it home on Friday. Both indoor and outdoor are needed each week, as games lessons are outside, when possible, and gym lessons are inside.

Indoor Kit

Dark shorts – black or navy

Plain white T-shirt top

Plimsolls

Spare white socks

Additional for outside games sessions -

As above

Plus jogging bottoms and jumper or hoodie for when the weather turns cooler

Trainers suitable for the field (**NOT** school shoes)

All kit is to be named clearly.

Thank you.

SWIMMING

Just to let you know that weekly swimming starts 15/9/16. We ask the voluntary contribution of £3.00 per pupil per week is made to help cover the cost of transport and pool hire. Payments can be made for the term in advance or weekly sent to school in a marked envelope please.

Please allow pupils to come to school with swimming costumes under their uniform **BUT remember spare underwear in their bag to get dressed at the end.**

Swimming is for ALL Y1-Y6 pupils. **NOT** Reception.

Children leave school after registration and return to school for playtime mid-morning.

Little Angels

Breakfast & After School Club

Our before and after school provision is becoming very popular. **Could I please ask that booking forms are completed in advance, so that the correct supervision can be made for the children.**

If you wish your child to attend, please ask for registration forms and T&C's from the school office.

Your child cannot attend if we do not have these already. If you think you might use it, fill in the forms and return them to us. You will only pay for the sessions you book each month or week in advance.

Times: Breakfast 7.50am – 8.50am After school 3.15pm-5.30pm

Cost: Breakfast £2.00 After school £6.00

Food and drink are supplied



Please can I request that you keep the car park in school clear at all times.

We often have deliveries and visitors who need access and it is difficult when children are in the car park. There are spaces available opposite school. Thank you.



Just a reminder to log in to your Parent Pay account regularly, to pay for school meals.

Mrs Williams will be happy to help with any password or logging in details should you need them.

Attendance

In 2015 the Department for Education (DfE) set the threshold for 'persistent absence' to 90%. This means that any child who is absent for 10% or more of lessons for whatever reason is classed as persistently absent and this data is collected by School for Governors, Ofsted and DfE.

Overall school attendance for 2015-2016 was 96.79% This was mostly due to parents trying hard to make appointments outside of the school day. **Thank you.**

Where this isn't possible, then mid-morning or afternoon appointments mean a child has already got their registration for the session and then returning to school for the rest of the day.

It is also due to the fact that parents are not leaving early at the end of a half term or taking holidays in term time.

We are aiming to improve again on this figure and are for outstanding attendance this year. We welcome your continued support with this important priority.

Absent Children

If your child is ill and cannot attend school, please ensure that you telephone or email school before 9.10am giving a brief detail of the reason for your child's absence.