

f (0) AldroLink SUMMER TERM: JUNE/JULY 2024

SPORTS DAY -PART 1 & 21

The great British weather determined we'd have Sports Day Part 1 and Part 2 this year. Both events were bursting with colour and competition. This year Meads pipped Alders to the winning post - well done to all participants!

Meads: 1,075 Alders: 963 Hall: 919





ROCKFEST!

Aldro's first Rockfest! was resounding success. Pupils and staff took to the stage to perform a variety of popular songs, old and new, to a joyous crowd who danced and waved along. Performances ranged from Seven Nation Army to Smells Like Teen Spirit. Huge thanks to Mrs Davy for pulling this musical triumph together.

From the Head

What a busy, event-filled and enriching end to the Summer term 2024!

This AldroLink will give readers a flavour of all that we have enjoyed at school over recent weeks. There were the annual residential trips to the Brecon Beacons and the Isle of Wight, as well as the usual highlights such as Sports Day (a rather wet affair this year) and Prize-Giving, but we also enjoyed visits from Dame Maggie Aderin-Pockcock and Marilyn Okoro OLY, a charming Junior Play 'Wind in the Willows', a highly successful Careers Fair and our firstever 'Rockfest'. The children will each have their own highlight, I am sure; perhaps for the parents, it was our biennial 'Party by the Lake'. I hope you enjoy reading about all these events in the pages that follow. And to all our Leavers this year, we wish you all the very best for the exciting futures that lie ahead of you!

Chris Carlier

CAREERS FAIR

A high energy Careers Fair hit the CHC, where all pupils got the chance to speak to an array of professionals from a variety of sectors the teaching stand was fully represented too!

A huge thank you to all those who volunteered their time - it gives our pupils a fantastic insight into what exciting opportunities lie ahead!



Dame Maggie Aderin-Pocock

We were delighted to welcome the wonderful Dame Maggie Aderin-Pocock, renowned space scientist and broadcaster, who presented her talk '*Am I Made of Stardust*?' to an enthralled audience of pupils and staff. Dame Maggie brought the world of space alive with fascinating facts and insights for all.

Party by the lake

The sun shone for the legendary, bi-annual, Party by the Lake. A beautiful, marquee affair that had been decked out with gorgeous flowers and balloons (thank you FoAA). We hear that there may have been a few sore heads on the Sunday morning...



WIND IN THE Willows

This term, Forms 3 and 4 delighted us with a memorable performance of Kenneth Grahame's classic, *Wind in the Willows*.

Huge thanks to Miss Sarah Allen for her directorship and her costume creations!



FAREWELL TO OUR LEAVERS

The Leavers Dinner, attended by both parents and pupils, was an entertaining showcase of musical and dramatic performances, a delicious al fresco dinner and a trio of videos ranging from amusing to very sentimental.

We were delighted with performances that ranged from political satire to Shakespeare! A sensational send off from Form 8.





PRIZE GIVING CELEBRATION

A wonderful Prize Giving celebration marked the worthy achievements of many of the pupils over the past academic year. Our Guest of Honour was inspirational, British, Olympic athlete, Marilyn Okoro OLY.

We also bid farewell to our fabulous Form 8s and wished them every happiness and success in their next school adventure. The parting words from Seb, Aldro's Head Boy, were a fitting end to a celebratory event:

"So as we leave, I can say with confidence, that the memories that we've made at Aldro will stay with us. No matter how far we go, we will always remember that it all started here at Aldro."

DATES FOR THE DIARY - CHRISTMAS TERM 2024/25



FRIENDS OF ALDRO ASSOCIATION (FOAA)

WARMLY INVITE ALL PARENTS, STAFF AND GOVERNORS TO JOIN THEM FOR

DRINKS AND CANAPÉS ON FRIDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2024 IN THE CRISPIN HILL CENTRE (CHC) 7.30PM-9.30PM

RSVP BY MONDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER foaa@aldro.org

| Date | Event | | | |
|----------------|---|--|--|--|
| 6th September | Foaa drinks & canapes | | | |
| 27th september | Macmillan coffee morning | | | |
| 5th november | Form 7 Parents Supper Party | | | |
| 8th november | Aldro fireworks night | | | |
| 22nd november | ALDRO WINTER FAIR | | | |
| 5th december | ALDRO CHRISTMAS CONCERT | | | |
| 8th december | Mulled wine & Mince Pies for parents & Village followed by Candlelit Carol Service | | | |
| 14th december | CAROL SERVICE AT CHARTERHOUSE | | | |



Sports day (Part 1)































Sports day (Part 2)























Party by the Lake













































JUNIOR PLAY: WIND IN THE WILLOWS

























Leavers Dinner





















Prize Giving

















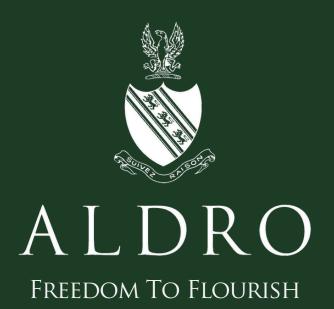






Good luck to our Form 8 Leavers Destinations 2024

| Pupil | School | | Pupil | School | |
|-----------|--------------|--------------|----------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| ARCHIE B | Stowe | Stowe | Eddison | BROADWATER SCHOOL | Broadwater |
| LEO | RADLEY | RADLEY | Том | CHARTERHOUSE | Charterhouse |
| Ben Ca | 8 | RGS | Seb | LOBD WADDWORTH COLLEGE | LWC |
| Jacky | RADLEY | Radley | James P | V | Eton |
| Ben Ch | SHERBORNE | Sherborne | XAVIER | WINCHESTER | WINCHESTER |
| James D | RADLEY | Radley | Julius | CHARTERHOUSE | CHARTERHOUSE |
| Jonty | CHARTERHOUSE | CHARTERHOUSE | Joseph | WITLEY King Edward? | KESW |
| Digby | SHERBORNE | Sherborne | George | CRANLEIGH | Cranleigh |
| Kieran | HARROW | Harrow | Chris | CANFORD | CanFord |
| Alejandro | TONBRIDGE | Tonbridge | Alfred | WINGHERTER | WINCHESTER |
| WILL | SHERBORNE | Sherborne | Кімі | SEVENOARS SCHOOL | Sevonoaks |
| Sasha | TONBRIDGE | Tonbridge | MARSEL | The King's School | King's Canterbury |
| Alfie | CHARTERHOUSE | CHARTERHOUSE | ARCHIE Y | CRANLEIGH | Cranleigh |
| George | 8 | RGS | | | <u> </u> |





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