



# Alderwood Senior School

Tongham Road  
Aldershot, Hampshire  
GU12 4AS

Executive Headteacher  
Clare de Sausmarez

10 January 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Over several years now we have worked with our family of primary schools to help the pupils to be more 'secondary ready' through various initiatives. We are, therefore, once again running our Double Club programme for **Year 5 pupils** who wish to attend with their parents or carers. As in previous years, we are focussing on numeracy and literacy.

Double Club is an opportunity for your son/daughter to enjoy a fun hour of teaching and learning, with a parent or grandparent, in literacy or numeracy at Alderwood Senior School. At the end of the programme, the pupils can attend a sports session lead by one of the PE Department. This club is based upon Arsenal FC's programme of the same name and has proved to be highly successful in motivating and inspiring pupils in previous years.

### 2023 Schedule

We will be running a numeracy cohort and a literacy cohort and the dates are listed below:

#### Cohort 1- Numeracy

All sessions will run on a **Wednesday afternoon from 4.30pm to 5.30pm** in the Orion Building, apart from the sport and presentation, which will start at 4.00pm.

**Session 1- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January**

**Session 2- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January**

**Session 3- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February**

**Session 4- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February (Sport 4-5pm, Presentation 5-5.15pm in the library)**

#### Cohort 2- Literacy

All sessions will run on a **Wednesday afternoon from 4.30pm to 5.30pm** in the Orion Building, apart from the presentation, which will start at 4.00pm.

**Session 1- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March**

**Session 2- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March**

**Session 3- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March**

**Session 4- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March (Sport 4-5pm, Presentation 5-5.15pm in the library)**

In order to receive a certificate for completing the course **pupils must attend all sessions with their parent/carer**. I hope that you will find the Double Club programme exciting. It builds on the work undertaken in your child's primary school and will help to further raise your child's confidence and ability in literacy and numeracy.

If your son/daughter would like to attend, then please complete the online response by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January at the latest. [Please click here to access the form.](#)

Due to the number of responses we have had in the past and for Health and Safety reasons, we will be operating on a first come first served basis and we will confirm your child's place in the numeracy or literacy sessions on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January. Please also prioritise which of the clubs you would rather attend. (It maybe that the pupils are able to do both courses if they are not full.) We will contact all applicants to either confirm your place or to let you know that your child is on a waiting list if the course is oversubscribed and as long as we have a contact email address for you.

If you have any further questions, please contact me via email: [j.mccormack@alderwood.hants.sch.uk](mailto:j.mccormack@alderwood.hants.sch.uk)

Yours Sincerely,

Mr Josh McCormack  
Head of Year 7

Tel: 01252 343 723  
Fax: 01252 322 530  
[www.alderwood.hants.sch.uk](http://www.alderwood.hants.sch.uk)