



The Alton School



Quality First Education Trust

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to you as someone who should have received the offer of a place at The Alton from Wandsworth Council yesterday afternoon. I hope that you will choose to accept your place at our very friendly and inclusive school.

We recently had an Ofsted inspection. You can read our [full report on our website](#). The inspector was very positive about our school and said: '*pupils enjoy coming to school, which provides **a happy and inclusive place that fosters their development and well-being**, and 'The school aims for pupils to become 'excellent learners and to fulfil their potential.' **Pupils rise to meet these high expectations and achieve well across the curriculum.***

We are proud to be a UNICEF Rights Respecting School, and we have a strong focus on children's wellbeing, working with the charity Place2Be. We are lucky to be located right next to Richmond Park and we have an amazing outdoor play area for our children to enjoy. We will also be offering all our children a free breakfast from the beginning of this summer term.

This newsletter shows you some of the things our children have been doing during the Spring term. If you decide The Alton is the right school for your child, we will provide you with all the information you need to help your child start at primary school. We will also invite you to some events to meet other new families before your child starts at school.

Choosing a school for your child is one of the most important decisions you will make as a parent/carers. If you have any questions to help you make your decision, or you would like a tour of the school, please contact admin@thealton.q1e.org.uk and we will be very happy to help you.

I hope to welcome you to our school.

With best wishes,

Linsay Thomson
Headteacher



Dates for your diary:

Autumn Term Starts:
Wednesday 3 September

All the term dates can be found on [our website](#).



What do our children like about The Alton?

[Hear from last year's Reception children](#) about what they like about school and how friendly it is. You can also [view our virtual tour here](#).



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Spring Term at The Alton

To support and extend their learning, our children have visited Barnes Common, the British Museum, Holly Lodge, Holy Trinity Church, the National History Museum and the Science Museum. Nursery have also had a visit from the London Fire Brigade and explored the fire engine! Next term, our children will be visiting the Barnes Wetlands Centre, Wimbledon Tennis, and Pizza Express. The children in the Woodland Centre, our SEND Resource Base, will be going on a visit to Bockett's Farm.



In English, our Year 4 and 5 children have visited a nearby school to listen to author workshops, and our Year 2 classes have been on a trip to the Polka Theatre. We also offer a selection of after-school clubs. In art club, our children have been enjoying learning how to do origami and sewing.



Pupil Voice is also at the heart of what we do. Many of our children take part in our School Council, Eco-Council and help support other children. Our pupil mental health champion led an assembly inspired by Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week. Next term, our Year 6 children will be learning about cycle safety with Bikeability workshops. We had great fun celebrating World Book Day, reading our favourite stories and enjoying lots of fantastic costumes. We also celebrated Red Nose Day and raised over £150 for Comic Relief.



As you can see the children have been very busy! We hope you will choose The Alton for your child, and we will be able to welcome them in September.