

# Dragon Tales

Alconbury Middle/High School

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## *“Quality Not Quantity”*

*Quality Through:*

*Rigor - challenging curriculum and instruction*

*Relevance - assignments with a purpose*

*Relationships - mutually respectful interactions*

**Upcoming Event** **Apr 29/30** See attached for the sports schedule for the weekend  
**May 4** Booster Club Meeting 1800hrs AMHS Library  
**May 5** Summer Job Fair for Students – see details below

### **From the Principal**

Thank you to the parents, students, community and staff for all of the support given during our QAR visit this week. We appreciate your participation and support!

### **Dragon Fest T-Shirts**

Dragon Fest T-shirts are on sale now. Please see the attached order form. T-shirts proceeds will go to fight Breast Cancer. Shirts are \$18.95 and there is a choice of either a hot pink or black version. Sales end Friday 29 April 2011. Help the Alconbury Student Council give to The Cure! POC: [Valerie.pisierra@eu.dodea.edu](mailto:Valerie.pisierra@eu.dodea.edu)

### **Booster Club Snack Shack Dedication – Halligan’s Hut**

The Alconbury Middle/High School Booster Club will be dedicating the newly renovated snack hut at the RAF Alconbury Football/Soccer field/pitch this Saturday, 30 April 2011 at 1300.

The newly renovated hut will be named affectionately as "Halligan's Hut" after Kevin Halligan, who was a very loved member of the community who passed away last year. Kevin always cheered and supported the local youth in the many different games and events around the community. The snack hut was renovated by Jack Cameron (a local Boy Scout) and members of his Troop, as Jack's "Eagle Project". Members of the local community assisted Jack and the Troop as well. For any questions or additional details, please e-mail Mr. Jack Cameron at [douglas.cameron@jac.eucom.mil](mailto:douglas.cameron@jac.eucom.mil) or Mr. Don DeWitt at [don.dewitt@jac.eucom.mil](mailto:don.dewitt@jac.eucom.mil).

### **Job Fair**

Would you like to have your child gainfully employed this summer?

**2011 Job Fair**

**5 May 2011**

**1330-1500**

**RAF Alconbury High School Main Entrance**

Information will be available on how to apply for seasonal, part-time and permanent positions. If your child is currently away in the states or elsewhere attending college, you may come and pick up information for them.

Opportunities at:

CDC : Child & Youth Program Assistants

Youth Center: Child & Youth Program Assistants Daily Grind: Food Service

Workers Stukeley Inn: Wait Staff and Food Service Workers NYPD

(Molesworth): Food Service Workers

#### Youth Employment Skills (Y.E.S)

A unique volunteer program for High School students of Active Duty/Title 10 Air Force members to earn a potential of \$1000 grant by working at on-base activities gaining valuable employment skills. Students claim their "banked" grant funding upon high school graduation to be applied directly toward post-secondary educational expenses.

#### **AMHS Athletic Department Textile Recycling Fundraiser**

Spring is the perfect time to get rid of old clothing and support the school's athletic department! We will be collecting textiles (clothes, belts, shoes, bedding, rags/towels, curtains, soft toys, handbags) for recycling from April 30 to June 1. You can include textiles that are old, worn, torn, stained, etc... We will get paid by the trash bag (not weight), so please fill as many trash bags as possible and drop off at AHMS. You can drop off Monday – Friday in the front office between 7:30 – 16:30

**What:** All textiles in trash bags (old, worn, torn, stained, etc) – clothing, belts, shoes, bedding, rags/towels, curtains, soft toys, handbags

**When:** April 30-June 1

**Drop Off Times:** 7:30 – 16:30 (Monday – Friday)

**Drop Off Location:** Alconbury Middle High Front Office

We appreciate your support of the AMHS Athletic Department!

#### **From the AVID Department**

##### ***Thinking Critically and Creatively.***

Employers tell us that problem solving and troubleshooting are among the most desirable skills they will be seeking in potential employees in the next decade. To be efficient problem solvers, students need to be both creative and critical. If students use just creativity to solve problems, the answers may be so outlandish that they are not realistic. However, if they are too critical of their ideas, they might never arrive at a solution because of the unconscious limitations they are placing upon themselves. A balance has to be achieved.

Counting on a Formula

Can you figure out the formula? What is the next term in the sequence?

1

11

21

1211

1112221

312211

Not sure of your answer?

Find out what the next line in the sequence is in the next issue of the Dragon Tales.

Check out the next issue of the Dragon Tales for *Concept Mapping*.

#### **Baseball**

Congratulations to Chris Yerkes. Chris hit the first ever home run for the Dragons baseball team. The Dragons dropped two against the visiting Division 1 powerhouse Ramstein. Come out this Saturday, when your Dragons take on the Rota Admirals.

#### **Boys' Soccer**

The Boy's Soccer Team traveled to Brussels this past weekend for another conference match. The travel was long and the weather was hot but the Dragons brushed all of that aside and came away with a 2-1 win. Gabe Sirwinski came up big in the early minutes saving a penalty kick but then had little to do as the Dragons defense held out the Brussels attack for most of the game. Tyler Grissett scored in the 10<sup>th</sup> minute to put the Dragons up 1-0 and Peter Ryzynski scored four minutes later on an assist by Jeff Black to put the Dragons up 2-0 within the first 15 minutes of the game. From there the Dragons tried to slow the game down as the long trip took its toll as did the hot weather. The Dragons are now 2-0-1 on the season and will play both Rota and Menwith Hill this coming weekend.

### Girls' Soccer

The Alconbury girls' soccer team travelled to Brussels Saturday. The Dragons scored first with a goal from Nastassia Peters, assisted by Whitney Kretz. The Brigands tied the game right before halftime. The second half saw Brussels take a 4-1 lead before Maddy Zitka scored an unassisted goal. Brussels added one more late to make the final score 5-2. Goalkeeper Kayla Gray had an outstanding day, racking up 12 saves in her first ever start in goal. Next week, the Lady Dragons are home against Rota on Friday and Menwith Hill on Saturday.

### Softball

The Alconbury Lady Dragons dropped two games to the Ramstein Royals this past Friday at home. The Dragons fell the first game 17-1 as Marissa Cole took the loss, but pitched well in striking out three batters while walking only one.

The Dragons dropped the second game 22-0, but again played hard in the loss. The Dragon play at home this Saturday against division foe Rota beginning at 10:00.

### Track

Alconbury Track Team placed second to Division I Lakenheath, but outscored Menwith Hill, to remain undefeated against all Division III schools. Alconbury had an outstanding meet, taking seven first places in 3 relays and 4 individual events.

Alconbury Middle School Track Team dominated both boys and girls divisions to remain undefeated for the season.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

**Attachments:** Weekend Sports Schedule

### Lunch Menu

2	3	4	5	6
Baked Chicken w/Dinner Roll Blackbean Burger on a Bun Nic Nac Chicken Salad w/Crackers Meat Nachos w/Cheese Sauce Turkey Caesar Wrap Flame Roasted potato Medley Sweet Kernel Corn Chilled Pineapples Craisins or Mandarin Oranges	Cheese Pizza Dippers Chicken Drummies Ham Salad w/Crackers Hamburger Sliders ABC Salad w/Crackers Carrot & Celery w/FF Dip Tomato & Cucumber Salad Mixed Fruit Cup Applesauce Dinner Roll	Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce & Dinner Roll Turkey Club Panini or Turkey Sandwich Grilled Chicken Caesar w/Crackers Hotdog on a Bun Turkey Salad w/Crackers Green Beans Garden Side Salad Chilled Pears Fresh Fruit Cup Whole Fruit Juice Bar	BBQ Riblets w/Dinner roll Breaded Chicken Chunks w/Dinner Roll Chef Salad w/Crackers Cheese Pizza Dippers Chicken Tender Wrap Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Steamed Broccoli Banana Fresh Apple Slices	Lasagna w/Garlic Toast Fish Sticks w/Garlic Toast Chicken Fillet Salad w/Crackers Baked Potato w/Cheese Tuna Salad Sweet Corn Baked Sweet Potato Crinkle Fries Juicy Oranges or Orange Wedges Chilled Fruit Cocktail Oatmeal Cookie or Blueberry Muffin

If you have any questions about our school policies or comments you would like the principal to know, please contact Dr. White using the following email address: [AlconburyHS.Principal@eu.dodea.edu](mailto:AlconburyHS.Principal@eu.dodea.edu) or Dr. Ronald McIntire, Isles District Superintendent at DSN226-7234/7252/7224.: or COM 01638-527234/7252/7224.