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ALVELEY NEWSLETTER



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HEAD OF SCHOOL'S INTRODUCTION

Dear Parents/ Carers,

It is a pleasure to write the fourth newsletter of this academic year, highlighting some of the excellent learning and experiences that pupils have had during the second half of Spring term. In school, we have travelled all the way to Africa in our geography, created moving monsters in our DT, learned about Holy Week and the importance of Easter in RE and learned about the roles of different people and groups within our community in PSHE. We have also held our Easter disco, had pancakes at the pavilion and welcomed a variety of visitors into our school. Speaking of visitors, this week we had our Ofsted inspection and will be sharing the report with you, when we are able.

Looking ahead to next half term, we will be looking at Monarchs and Monarchy in Cedar class, enjoying some Maya hot chocolate in Elm class and looking more at our village's history and what the census tells us about Alveley in Oak class. We're excited to welcome Miss Ordidge back to our school and know that she will fit straight back in!

I hope that you all have a restful and relaxing Easter holiday, have a chance to recharge the batteries and spend some quality time together as a family.

I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 28th April

Mr Marsh



SCHOOL CALENDAR OVERVIEW

Summer 2025

Term Dates for Summer

- 28/04** - Parents Evening 1
- 29/04** - Parents Evening 2
- 01/05** - Year 5 MAD Skills PE afternoon
- 5/5** - Bank Holiday
- 12/5** - SATS Week
- 14/5** - Beech Class parent lunch and workshop
- 20/5** - Elm Class MAD skills PE afternoon
- 26/5** - Half Term
- 2/6** - MTC fortnight begins
- 4/6** - Sports Day (first proposed date)
- 9/6** - Phonics Screening Week
- 10/6** - Class and Whole School Photos
- 11/6** - Sports day (reserve day)
- 16/6** - Crucial Crew Y6
- 23/6** - KS2 Dance performance evening
- 30/6** - Class move up day
- 4/7** - Kidderminster Harriers Penalty Competition
- 11/7** - End of year reports sent out
- 18/7** - Last day of term



CLASSES



BEECH

We have had a great half term learning all about Space. We took part in MARS day and joined in with some space themed activities and listened to what it was like in space from a real life astronaut!

In maths we have explored repeated patterns, 2D and 3D shapes. We had fun making our own Spring themed repeating patterns.

We have learnt all about the Easter story, enjoyed observing our tadpoles and had a lot of fun making Easter chocolate cakes.

Everyone is looking forward to next term where we will be exploring the ocean!



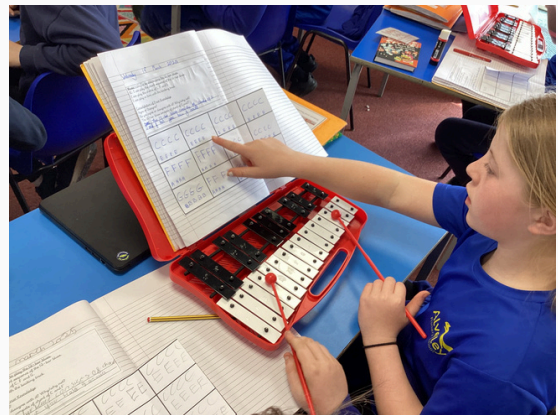
CEDAR

Cedar Class have had an exciting half term learning all about Africa. The topic Africa was embedded into all aspects of learning from learning about African call and response in music, learning about African patterns in Art, learning about the physical and human characteristics of the World and in particular Africa in Geography. In Guided Reading children have listened to a number of non-fiction and fiction books related to Africa. In Literacy children wrote letters based on the story 'Meerkats Mail.' They also wrote an acrostic African poem and wrote fact files on both Meerkats and Africa. In maths children have been learning about calculation and measure. They have also been learning about statistics. Children particularly enjoyed asking other children in school about their favourite colour and recorded the information in a tally chart.



ELM

We have had lots of fun in our class this half term. In Elm we have enjoyed PE with Mr Bennett and going to Alveley Tennis Club for tennis lessons, we have all shown great progress over the weeks. In geography we have been exploring settlements, we have been looking at the human and physical features of Alveley as well as comparing them to features in New Dheli. We enjoyed teaching our parents how to make pneumatic toys during our class workshop, we had some great designs such as dragons and cats! We have become maths superstars in fractions this half term, finding equivalent fractions!



OAK

Oak Class has had a busy and exciting half term! A group of children visited Oldbury Wells to perform poetry to other schools in the trust, impressing everyone with their confidence and ability to perform from memory. Year 5 enjoyed a trip to Bridgnorth Endowed to watch Matilda, and Year 6 completed their Bikeability training, learning vital cycling and road safety skills.

We've also taken part in sporting events, including tag rugby and netball tournaments, where we demonstrated great teamwork and enthusiasm. After the break, Year 6 will be getting ready for their SATs. They've all been working incredibly hard, and we're so proud of their positive attitude and determination—they're more than ready to show what they can do!

ALVELEY AND OUR COMMUNITY

In Geography this half term, Oak class have been working on an independent, local fieldwork study around something important to them and our village. They decided that their independent enquiry would focus on the issue of speeding on Daddlebrook Road.

They gathered opinions through questionnaires, invited local councillor Colin Taylor to answer our questions, and wrote persuasive letters to the Parish Council, West Mercia Police, and the Police and Crime Commissioner.

After half term, our local PCSO will be visiting to continue the discussion and look at ways that the roads around our school can be made more safe, particularly at drop off and pick up times.



Shropshire Council
Shrewsbury
Abby Foregate
Shrewsbury

Dear Sir/Madam

Hello I am Jessica Matthews. I am a six year old girl at Alveley Primary School. My class and I are quite concerned about the cars that are going by on Daddlebrook Road. We know the speed limit is 30 mph, but we think it should be 20. Although there is a sign here that says 30, we think it should be 20. Please

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Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to you from Alveley Primary School. We are getting a lot of speeding cars around the village.

AROUND SCHOOL



Easter Egg Hunt



Bike Ability



Netball Tournament



Pancakes at the Pavilion for Lent



Elm parent workshop



Tennis lessons at the Alveley Tennis Club

LITTLE SQUIRRELS NURSERY

NURSERY TIMINGS

Morning Sessions

8.45-11.45AM

Afternoon Sessions

12.15-3.15PM

OUR LEARNING THIS HALF TERM

What a fantastic half term in Little Squirrels Nursery. We have been learning about The Farm. We really enjoyed visiting Nash End Farm, we fed the lambs and calves, talked about how to look after the animals on the farm and who looks after them all. These recent weeks we have looks at crops and growing. Children have really enjoyed planting seeds into our forest school. They are growing strawberries, carrots and potatoes. We look forward to harvest season!



JOIN OUR NURSERY!

Each day, children have adult led activities, including a daily phonics lesson delivered to all children. Following their adult led learning, children work with a teacher to complete scaffolded activities. While some children are completing work with their teacher, others engage in child initiated learning, supported by other adults.

To maximise learning opportunities, children have daily access to both an indoor and outdoor classroom, where independence and choice are encouraged. All areas of the EYFS framework, including reading, writing and mathematics are planned coherently across all ages and activities and opportunities are appropriately adapted to meet each child's needs, deepening and extending their understanding. Within the carefully planned environment, stimulus and enhanced provision is used to excite, capture and motivate the children and provide learning opportunities .

If you are interested to know more, please contact our School Office.



OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL

If you have concerns for the safety of a child outside of school, or at a time of year when school is not in session, please look at our [school website links here](#) for how to report it.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and we deeply value the collaboration between home and school in keeping everyone safe.

SUPPORTING LEARNING AT HOME

Several parents at Parents' Evening asked how best to support learning while at home. We hope that reading and spellings are practised through the week, daily where possible. However there are a few other resources that you might find useful. All of these are either free to use or ones which your child already has a login. Please contact school if you don't have this login and we can provide it:

- www.ttrockstars.com (for supporting times table knowledge)
- www.mathsbot.com/primary/ks2 (Year 6 arithmetic practise- really good resource!)
- www.mathsframe.co.uk (great maths resources, particularly the Year 4 times table check game)
- www.letterjoin.co.uk



FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Please scan the QR code above to see if you might be eligible for free school meals. Not only does this give support for school meals, it also allows us to support with the paying of school trips and other experiences, as well as helping with uniform, forest school, PE kit and other clothing.



SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!

Easy Fundraising is a free and easy app that you can download and sign up to. Every time you shop online, a small amount of money is donated to school (by the company, NOT you!). While it will cost you nothing to support us this way, it might make all the difference to the projects that I'm keen to develop in the future. Go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friends-of-alveley-school to support us!