

Alderman Payne Primary School

Newsletter

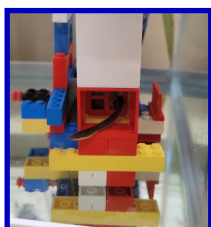
23rd May 2025



Dear Families,

This week has been a lovely week in school. Shamrock Class were visited by Tom from 20Twenty for a workshop leading to their Big Sing event happening in July. Tom will be returning after half term to deliver Rock Band, the Key Stage 2 music programme. He will be with us for seven weeks spending time with each band to learn musical skills and to play a song together. We still have spaces on this programme, please sign up via Arbor.

Our eels have now been collected to be looked after over half term. Rachel Brown from Cambridgeshire ACRE was very impressed with how the children have looked after them. Soon they will be released into the River Ouse at Godmanchester Mill Steps where there is an eel pass. It has been such a pleasure to have them in school and the children have enjoyed watching them swim around in the water. Sometimes they even seemed to dance or rise out of the top of the water. The children have been particularly vocal about the biggest eel, Gary!



We have been developing our work with Street Pride this year and are planning to some joint work. Street Pride are hoping to display some 'Keep our Village Tidy' Themed posters. Therefore, we are going to hold a poster design competition. We will welcome design entries of posters and the winning designs will be made into public posters. Please submit your poster design with your name and class on the back by Friday 6th June.

It has been a shorter half term, but very busy. We hope that you all have a nice break and we look forward to seeing you all back in school soon for the last part of the school year. After half term, staff have an INSET day on the Monday. The children return to school on the Tuesday.

Next Week:

Tuesday 3rd June: Children return to school

Thursday 5th June : Family Assembly 2:45



Thistle Class Mud Kitchen

Attendance

**Whole school attendance
this week is 95.3%**

**Whole school attendance
this year is 94.6%**

Staff Information

Class 1—R/1 Thistle Class

Teacher: Ms Harrison

Support: Mrs Wainwright,
Mrs Jameson and
Mrs Oldale

Class 2—1/2 Rose Class

Teacher Mrs Wardill

Support: Mrs Allen and Miss
Whitmore

Class 3—3/4 Shamrock Class

Teacher: Mr Turner

Support: Miss Godwin and
Miss Hazzard

Class 4—5/6 Daffodil Class

Teacher: Mrs Topping

Support: Mrs Causer

Celebration Assembly

Year 6 Weekly Roundup

Thistle Class have been reading 'The Whale Who Wanted More'. They also wrote about the whales in the sea. In maths they made doubles and put them into templates. They were finishing making Russo styled paintings.

Rose Class have written to the woodcutter who has been cutting down the trees in Little Red Riding Hood to persuade him not to cut down the trees. In maths they did halves, quarters and add and subtracting in swimming they floated on their backs. They also made a bug hotel and a bird feeder.

Shamrock Class have been sketching things that they found on the field. In music 20 productions have come and sung some songs with them such as don't stop me. In maths they have been subtracting.

Daffodil Class have been writing a biography about Jacques Cousteau. In maths year 6 used a calculator, to calculate decimals with 3 decimal places. Most of us enjoyed P.E as we have been preparing for sports day. In DT we have been learning about the 'Make do and mend' campaign from World War 2. We made pin cushions, bookmarks and pencil cases using old materials.

Special Mention

In Family Assembly, children are nominated for a Golden Award which is linked to our 5 Fabulous Foundations. Special mentions relate to any other aspect of school and learning.

Golden Award

Riley: Working hard to work our missing numbers in number sentences using a part , whole frame

Teddy: Fantastic home learning project

Rio J: Using great strategies when solving money problems

James: Excellent effort in writing a newspaper report



Special Mentions

Lily and Imogen: For being a great buddy to our new friend in class

Mabelle: Perseverance in writing this week

Lottie: Expressive singing and effort ready for 'The Big Sing.'

Charlie M: For helping the younger children during the football after school club

Aimee: Showing kindness and understanding when helping friends to resolve their differences

School Update: Parent Council Cake Sale

Alderman Payne Parent Council Bake Sale – Monday 9th June from 3.15pm in the school hall

Our next fundraising event is a Bake Sale. We are asking parents, carers and families to donate baked goods or brought ones to school on the morning of **Monday 9th June**. The Bake Sale will then take place at the end of the school day. Any donations will be greatly appreciated. It could be muffins, cookies, brownies, cupcakes, donuts or any other wonderful creation! Children are of course welcome to get involved in baking too.

Allergies and Natasha's Law – Please avoid buying or baking any goods with nuts in as school is nut free. We cannot guarantee there will be goods available for all children with food allergies and/or dietary intolerances. Our suggestion would be to provide something your child can buy if you wish. Please label it clearly so we are aware and can keep it separate. Natasha's Law, which mandates full ingredient lists and allergen labelling on pre-packaged foods, generally does not apply to bake sales organised by Parent Councils or similar groups at community or charity events if they are not registered as a food business. To ensure we are following guidelines we ask that home-made bakes are **not** pre-packaged (eg in a sealed box or bag) and are provided in a box or tin to be sold individually. Shop brought goods should be donated in the original packaging which lists ingredients.



Community Events

Village Hall

No new dates at the moment

Emmanuel Church

8th June: Old Rectory Open Garden and Plant Sale

14th June: Murder Mystery Dinner

St John's Church

No new dates at the moment

School Dates for Your Diary

We aim to provide as much notice as possible for school events, but there are sometimes opportunities that arrive at short notice.

Summer Term dates

23rd May: Last day of half term

3rd June: Children return to school

3rd—13th June: Year 4 Multiplication Check

9th—13th June: Phonics screening check

Wed 11th June: Father's Day Lunch

27th June: Sports Day and picnic lunch

1st and 2nd July: Transition Day

22nd July: Last Day of Term

Please note that dates for family reading and family assembly are recorded on the school website calendar.