

Alderman Payne Primary School

Newsletter

16th May 2025



Dear Families,

It has been a lovely week in school. Our whole community supported our Year 6 pupils as they sat their assessments. The children were calm and collected, and did us proud—but of course, we knew that they would! Well done to all of our Year 6 pupils and of course the Year 6 class team. However, it was a whole school effort, many staff including our Chair of Governors came together to help and to ensure that each child was able to do their best. Thank you of course to the families who have also been supporting the pupils at home and the Year 5s who have been working alongside Year 6 all year.

Our Year 5 pupils were classroom assistants this week, they joined children in the younger classrooms for work experience. This included supporting younger pupils with their learning, reading and helping in the classrooms. The teachers have reported that they would love to have you all back, you were such an asset. Thank you for being excellent role models.

Throughout the week, class four have enjoyed their afternoons design and technology project which saw them deconstructing clothing and learning to sew. Year 5/6 have explored different garments, investigating their function, decorative features, and potential for repurposing into new designs.

Shamrock class will be joining with the Big Sing later in the summer term, they have started practising songs and are looking forward to a session with 20Twenty productions next week.

The eels have remained a highlight in school this week, we have been watching them grow and they have been quite lively this later part of the week. In discussion with some pupils, we would like to create a display around the eel tank so are asking for children to bring in contributions from home. We would like eel pictures created by pupils (drawing, paintings or other media), eel fact sheets or information. All contributions will be considered for the display.

Next Week:

Thursday 22nd May: Family Reading 2:30 and Family Assembly



Class 4 Textiles Project

Attendance

**Whole school attendance
this week is 96.1%**

**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

School Update: Parent Council

There will be a Parent Council meeting on Tuesday 3rd June 2025 at 6pm at Alderman Payne School, everyone is welcome. There are two roles that will be becoming available from 1st September 2025 if anyone would be interested in these.

Chair

The Parent Council Chair typically plays a key role in:

- Leading parent-teacher collaboration
- Communicating with parents, teachers, and school administration
- Organising events and activities
- Supporting school initiatives
- Facilitating feedback and suggestions from parents

Some specific responsibilities might include:

- Chairing Parent Council meetings
- Coordinating volunteer efforts
- Managing communication channels (e.g., newsletters, social media)
- Collaborating with school staff on projects and events
- Representing parent interests and concerns

Treasurer

The Treasurer of a Parent Council typically handles financial matters, including:

- Managing funds and budgets
- Tracking income and expenses
- Preparing financial reports
- Overseeing fundraising activities
- Ensuring transparency and accountability in financial dealings
- Making financial decisions in consultation with the Parent Council

Some specific responsibilities might include:

- Collecting and recording donations or fundraising proceeds
- Paying bills and invoices
- Maintaining accurate financial records
- Presenting financial updates to the Parent Council and parents
- Ensuring compliance with school or organization financial policies

Community Events

Village Hall

11th May: Street Pride, Cream tea and beetle drive 2-4pm

Emmanuel Church

No new dates at the moment

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