

Alderman Payne Primary School

Newsletter

2nd May 2025



Dear Families,

This week we have had some hot days and as the Summer term progresses, this will continue. A reminder please that whilst the children can wear dresses and shorts to school in hot weather, we ask that you please be mindful of their length and appropriateness of clothing for school. Please do not send children in shoes with open toes/heels. Children should also ensure that they bring their water bottles and sun hats where necessary. Sun cream should be applied before school and children will be permitted to reapply this themselves during the school day. Children can only apply sun cream that has been sent in and is clearly labelled for that child. We do not allow children to 'share' their cream in case of allergies. We will support children to apply sun cream as necessary, but we promote their independence with this, so please teach your child at home too.

It's been lovely to have our music tuition start. Some children have been learning guitar, ukulele or piano in school. These lessons are ongoing and the tuition will continue in the Autumn term. If you have not signed your child up and would like to, then speak to the school office as there may be the opportunity to increase our offer in September. In addition, we will be offering 'Rock Band' after the May half term. This will be a weekly session of children coming together in a group to learn about instruments and singing in a small band. It will be within the school day. More details about the costs and how to sign up will be sent out next week.

The Parent Council would like to share that they raised £172 from the Easter raffle. Thank you to everyone who organised, donated towards prizes and took part in the raffle.

Next week is the celebration of the 80th Anniversary of VE Day. We invite the school community to come into school dressed in red white and blue for the event.

Next Week:

Thursday 8th May: Family assembly at 2:45pm

Thursday 8th May: VE Anniversary—non-uniform wear red, white and blue



Shamrock Class Sewing

Attendance

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

**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 writing adjectives to describe giraffes. Their class story is 'Giraffes Can't Dance'. In maths the children have been counting from 10-20. The children have been outside in their muddy garden area lots this week and helped to make a bug hotel.

Rose Class have been learning about money. They have been discussing kindness and looking out for kindness in their class. In science the children went on a habitat hunt on the field. In literacy they have been writing lists and commands about their class story 'Little Red'.

Shamrock Class have been learning about Sikhism and the 5 K's. They have had lots of fun sewing their initials using running stitch and looking at hieroglyphics. In swimming they have been doing different strokes such as back stroke, front stroke and butterfly.

Daffodil Class have been learning about percentages and pie charts. In literacy they have been planning a biography about Jacques Cousteau. They have been looking at SATS style questions for reading and in swimming, have been practicing floating and gliding.

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

Maddison: Becoming more confident in blending and segmenting to read and write

Ivy: Fantastic reading with Mrs Lakey

Norah: Fantastic detail in her Egyptian sewing

Arthur: Working hard to get onto challenge tasks in statistics lessons



Special Mentions

Rocket: For bringing in a book from home to help us learn about the life cycle of a frog

Sienna: For showing kindness to others

Amie: Varied sentence openers in her writing about our class book 'Journey'

Iris: Excellent effort with all SATS practice tasks

School Update: Parent Webinar—County Lines

The Ivison Trust (formerly known as Parents Against Child Exploitation (PACE)) are holding two evening seminars specifically for parents and carers in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough with a focus on County Lines and Criminal Exploitation. These seminars will be delivered with a parent whose child has been a victim of exploitation, sharing their experiences and advice on responding to risks.

The sessions will share what criminal exploitation is, with a focus on county lines and explore how to spot signs that it may be happening to your child or a child you know. They will also cover trends in the local area and where to get advice and support if you are concerned.

For more information and to register a place visit [Parent webinars - county lines and criminal exploitation - Ivison Trust](#)

What parents will learn

- Learn what county lines is
- Understand what is happening in your local area
- Learn how exploiters groom children
- Understand the signs that your child might be at risk
- Know where to access support and advice if you have concerns

Upcoming webinars

Cambridgeshire 17th June 2025 7:00pm – 8:30pm – [Book your place](#)

Peterborough 18th June 2025 7:00 – 8:30pm – [Book your place](#)

Community Events

Village Hall

3rd May: Quiz night

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

Emmanuel Church

3rd May: Fashion Show and Sale

St John's Church

3rd May: Black Tie Dinner

4th May: Live Music—The Rummuns

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

5th May: Bank Holiday Monday

12th - 15th May: Year 6 SATS

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.