

Alderman Payne Primary School

Newsletter

28th February 2025



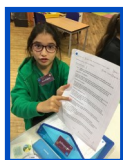
Dear Families,

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring Term, we hope that you had a lovely break. WE have returned and settled quickly back into our learning. I have been visiting some classrooms looking at reading this week and its been lovely to see the children's enthusiastic engagement, We started this week thinking about Rights and Responsibilities and then discussed respect, particularly how we look after our environment and school. The children have been talking to me throughout the week about ways they help.

We have welcomed two new faces into school this week, Miss Goodale, our trainee in Daffodil class. Miss Prior has been helping us this week as a TA in Thistle and Rose class. We always love having the opportunity to welcome new people to our community and showing them what we have been doing!

This week Shamrock class welcomed Twenty20 in for a Ukulele lesson. They will be learning to play ukuleles until Easter. Whilst they are here, the team will also offer a club for KS2 after school. A dojo has been sent. Please sign up for this whilst we have the opportunity to have them here, it will likely only run until Easter.

Daffodil class had a class STEM trip this week. They collaborated to discuss infrastructure solutions for a growing population over the next 50 years. They examined research and data from fields such as engineering, ecology, agriculture, urban planning, and business management to inform their decisions. The children enjoyed their trip and enthusiastically participated in all tasks set!



The Parent Council have shared that they raised £301.38. This is fantastic, thank you to everyone involved.

Next Week:

Thursday 6th March: World Book Day—please can children come dressed as a book character.

Thursday 6th March: Family Reading and family assembly



Shamrock Class Ukulele

Attendance

**Whole school attendance
this week is 92.7%**

**Whole school attendance
this year is 94.5%**

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: Miss Ewing

Celebration Assembly

Year 6 Weekly Roundup

Thistle Class have been reading Jack and the Beanstalk. In maths, they measured the length and height of objects and then measured themselves to use comparative language tallest and shortest. They enjoyed creating beanstalk pictures and den making this week. The children used peg boards to create lots of different patterns

Rose Class had a dinosaur dig to find fossils in science. This links to their current book for literacy which is 'The curious case of the missing mammoth.' They have been learning about past tense. In maths, they have been learning about division through grouping and sharing. Some children brought in work from home and shared this with the class in a circle activity.

Shamrock Class learned about scales in maths. They have been editing and finishing their writing about mountains and have been practising their handwriting. They had visitors in for a ukulele music lesson and have been learning about British Values.

Daffodil Class Had trip with a science and geography focus. In geography, we finding out about natural resources. In maths, we have been learning about ratios and scales. We started tennis for PE this week. In RE we have started look at creation and how different faiths and science theories compare. This also linked to British values respect and tolerance.

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

Zachary: For good listening and learning on the carpet

Darcy R: Making a huge effort to improve writing

Berrie: Displaying confidence and knowledge in learning

Sharon: Excellent leadership skills during the science trip.

Special Mentions

Ezra: Adding two numbers together using a number line

Leo: Being responsible and respecting the classroom

Lottie: Supporting others with tasks and being considerate of how others feel

Meadow: For a positive attitude in lessons and being a kind and caring friend.

School Update: Uniform

Over recent weeks, there has been some instances of children coming in to school wearing incorrect school uniform and PE Kits. Whilst there is not an expectation that logoed items are always worn and items can be purchased from different sources, it is expected that these purchases are in line with the school uniform.

School uniform:

- Grey or Black trousers or shorts
- Grey pinafore or skirt
- White or Blue polo shirt with/without school logo.
- Royal blue jumper or cardigan with/without school badge
- Blue and white checked dress - in summer
- Black sensible school footwear to be worn, no open toes.

PE uniform:

- Black shorts / jogging bottoms / leggings
- Plain t-shirt of team colour (red, green, blue, yellow)
- Plain hoodie/jumper in team colour, blue or black
- Plimsolls or black trainers (as appropriate for indoor and outdoor PE)

For those thinking forward to the Summer Term, all children will go swimming after Easter and will need:

- One piece costume, swimming trunks or short shorts (no long shorts please)
- Swim hat
- Goggles are optional

Community Events

Village Hall

13th March: Bingo

St John's Church

1st March: Fenland Film Night

15th March: Quiz—St Patricks Day

Emmanuel 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.

Spring Term dates

6th March: World Book Day

12th March: Class photos

13th March: Parent Council Non-uniform for a chocolate donation

17th March: Silly Scientist Visit

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