

Alderman Payne Primary School

Newsletter

24th January 2025



Dear Families,

This week has been an unusual one for me as I have been out of school more than usual. Much of this has been to undertake additional, specific Safeguarding training. It is always good to attend such events, but it has been lovely to be back in school spending time with the children. It was especially lovely to come into school to the smell of freshly baked bread, made by Thistle Class as part of their learning using the story of The Little Red Hen.

In school, Mr Dawid has been taking groups of pupils for holistic learning provision related to individual targets, primarily linked to social and emotional skills, wellbeing and communication. These have started well and include outdoor activities and indoor activities on different days. In addition, we have 20Twenty in school on a Thursday afternoon delivering a Push Positive, outdoor activities project with some pupils from Daffodil class.

The RSPB have launched their annual Big Garden Birdwatch for this weekend. As a school, we will be inviting all children in school to take part in a birdwatch survey in the weeks running up to the February half term. This will link to some environmental work that we will be undertaking later in the year. More information will follow soon.

Thank you to those parents who made appointments to meet with Mrs Hemsall this week. Mrs Hemsall has increased her hours in school to support her in her role as SENDCO, Wellbeing lead and also her role within the Leadership and Safeguarding team. As always, she can be contacted via the office if you need an appointment to discuss your child's needs or provision in school.

Our Parent Council have set a date for a Valentine's Disco on the 13th February. More details will follow soon.

Next Week:

Thursday 30th January December: Family reading at 2:30pm and Family assembly at 2:45pm



Outdoor Learning Sessions

Attendance

**Whole school attendance
this week is 92.6%**

**Whole school attendance
this year is 94.7%**

Staff Information

Class 1—R/1 Thistle Class
Teacher: Ms Harrison
Support: Mrs Wainwright,
Mrs Kilby and Mrs Jameson

Class 2—1/2 Rose Class
Teacher Mrs Wardill
Support: Miss Godwin and
Miss Oldale

Class 3—3/4 Shamrock Class
Teacher Mr Turner
Support: Miss Whitmore and
Miss Hazzard

Class 4—5/6 Daffodil Class
Teacher: Mrs Topping
Support: Mrs Allen

Celebration Assembly

Year 6 Weekly Roundup

Thistle Class enjoyed reading 'The Little Red Hen'. They also made bread rolls just like the little red hen which they really enjoyed eating! In maths they got the balancing scales out and measured the mass of objects. They also enjoyed making windmills and barns for the little red hen!

Rose Class are learning to add 2 digit numbers together. In DT they designed beach huts which linked to their geography project about coast lines. In literacy they were learning where dragons live!

Shamrock Class danced to 'Dance Monkey' in music with Mr Dawid and in RE they learnt about the five pillars in Islam! They enjoyed literacy where they read the escape from Pompeii.

Daffodil Class have been dividing fractions and decimals by 10, 100 and 1000. In art we have been learning about inuit art and we are doing printing. In P.E we have been learning to do straddle rolls, forward rolls and more.

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

Imogen: Super segmenting to spell and write simple words independently

Leo: Working independently in maths using a place value chart

Evie: Super Vocabulary used in English

Emelio: Writing a fantastic journal entry, using ambitious vocabulary and complex sentences

Special Mentions

Conor: Helpfulness towards others

Charlie C: Using fantastic vocabulary

Charlie M: Always having a friendly and positive attitude

Jack: Constantly aiming high and trying to improve his own results across all subjects