

Alderman Payne Primary School Newsletter

22nd July 2025



Dear Families,

As we reach the end of our year in school, we have had lots happening right up to the end. I have joined two weeks together due to the shorter week.

We have been all rocking away with our Rock Band showcase performance last week. Each band had the opportunity to demonstrate their skills through the performance of their song supported by Tom from 20Twenty Productions. This has been a fantastic opportunity for our pupils and we were very impressed by their skills. We have already spoken to 20Twenty to book this opportunity again for next year which will again run as a seven session programme. We will share information when we can. In the meanwhile, we are continuing our partnership with JMP Music and will continue to offer 1:1 or small group sessions of instrument tuition. We have added electric drums to the list of tuition on offer, drums will be available in school for use within the lesson. We are pleased with this addition as it also means that all of the instruments available through the Rockband Programme are available for further tuition.

Daffodil class have now counted their income from the fiver challenge and have collectively raised a wonderful £241.50 for

[East Anglian Air Ambulance](#)



Thank you to all of our pupils for such enthusiasm and their entrepreneurial skills and also to families for supporting their event.

Our Year 5/6 pupils in Daffodil class starred in their end of year production of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory with a dress rehearsal to the school and then two performances for families. We are extremely proud of them, they have demonstrated a range of performing skills but also personal skills, organisation, creativity, teamwork and commitment. Well done to everyone involved and thank you to the staff who have helped to make this a success.

As the year closes, thank you to all staff, children and families for their hard work and support over the year. It has been a real honour to join the Alderman Payne Community and I look forward to what next year brings. I hope you all have a lovely summer break. Children return to school on Wednesday 3rd September.



Rock band Performance

Attendance

**Whole school attendance
this week is 95.5%**

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

Parent Council

The Parent Council would like to thank children and families for their support across the year.

The most recent meeting saw the biggest attendance in a long time and we are looking forward to working together for some great fundraising opportunities next year.

Thank you to Alistair Irvine and Christine Killingworth for their long term commitment to the PTA as Chair and Treasurer. As of September 2025 the new Chair of the PTA will be Kelly Swash and the new Treasurers will be Dans Gibbs and Nic Hemsall.

End of Year Celebration

Attendance

We give out Termly Attendance Certificates in recognition that sometimes situations genuinely prevent children from attending. Whilst we aim for 100% attendance, this is not always possible. Thank you to families for supporting school with the new request for time of during term time forms this year. It helps us to track attendance and support families. Under guidance from the Local Authority, school will be looking more closely at these, particularly in terms of term time holiday. Please do not book any holidays during term time, they will not be authorised and you may receive a penalty notice.

This term, we gave out 28 Gold Certificates for 100% attendance, 18 Silver Certificates for 98/99% attendance and 13 Bronze Certificates for 96/97% attendance. Well done everyone.

100% Attendance Award

Well done to the following pupils for achieving 100% attendance for the whole academic year.
Lottie, Jack, Jake, Lovelle

Special Mention

Of course, we can't send out our last newsletter without a final farewell to our fabulous cohort of Year 6 Pupils.

It was a pleasure to celebrate these amazing pupils in their leaver's assembly. Full of laughs and also tears, we said goodbye collectively and individually.

Year 6— as you move on, remember that you are all capable, important and valued. You have passions, interests and skills that you can develop as you go on to accomplish your dreams. You are at the start of something fresh and exciting. Secondary school will bring new opportunities for experiences, friendships and a chance to discover even more about yourselves. Have the courage to try new things. Be brave, ask questions and be creative. We are all so very proud of you and we wish you the brightest of futures. Keep in touch!

Goodbye

Henry, Sharon, Meadow, Emileo, Heather, Aria, Iris, Aimee, Annalyse, Lily-Mae, Alfie, Isabelle, Aiden, Phoebe, Olivia and Emily

Golden Award

Many certificates were given out in the assembly, as all of our pupils shine in their own way.

Our End of Year trophies were also given out. Well done to:

Literacy: Olivia

Mathematics: Henry

Sports: Meadow and Emileo

Most improved: Heather



School Update: School Uniform

Over the summer, we know that families will be getting ready for September so here is a reminder about our school uniform. We are making a slight change in that all polo shirts should be white please, this ensures consistency across the school. Furthermore, we would like to remind you that PE t-shirts should be plain and the colour of the child's school house team. Football shirts, fashion t-shirts and those with pictures or slogans are not appropriate for school. Jumpers should be plain and of the team colour, or a plain blue/black sweatshirt/hoodie. We have added a school PE sweatshirt to our clothing supplier website.

School uniform

Grey or Black trousers or shorts
Grey pinafore or skirt
White polo shirt with/without school logo.
Royal blue jumper or cardigan with/without school badge
Blue and white gingham dress - in summer term or hot weather
Black sensible school shoes 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 with/without school logo.
Plimsolls or black trainers (as appropriate for indoor and outdoor PE)

Details of our uniform and the link for ordering logoed items are on our school website [here](#).

Our school uniform policy can be found [here](#).

Community Events

Friday 15th August 2025 10:30 at the War Memorial: Parson Drove Parish Council will commemorate the 80th anniversary of Victory over Japan. (VJ Day). A service will be held at the War Memorial on the Village Green at 10.30am We will remember and honour those who fought and died during the War in the Far East. The Cage will be opened with all the war documents we have and refreshments will also be available.

Tuesday 19th August 11:15

Street Pride would like to invite families to a Teddy Bear's Picnic. Held at the Village Park Field. Bring your own food but some refreshments will be available (tea/ coffee juice). We will then discuss and help the children pick up their rubbish.

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

22nd July: Last Day of Term

Autumn Term dates

3rd September: Children return to school
4th September: Reception children start

PE will continue to be every Friday. There will be no swimming in the first week back and we will confirm swimming days in September.

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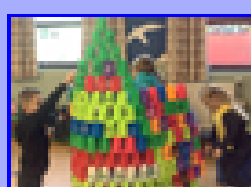
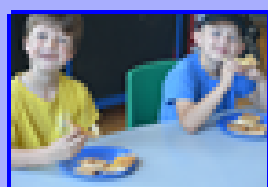
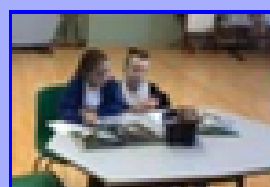
Wrap Around Care 2025-26

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club provision daily 8 - 8:45am

Children can join us for a positive start to the day with play based activities and a healthy breakfast.

£2.00 per child, per session, no booking required



NEW AFTER SCHOOL CARE for September 2025 (on a trial basis until April 2026)

After school care to run daily 3:15 - 5:30pm.

Play and leisure activities using both indoor and outdoor areas (including our woodland area) such as sport, cooking, craft, construction and quieter relaxing activities.

A healthy snack such as veg and dip, crackers, cereal, crumpets will be provided at approximately 4:15.

£10.00 per child, per session. Booking on Arbor will need to be made in advance as places are limited. Emergency on the day booking via phone will be considered.

To find out more or to book, please use Arbor call or email the school office 01945 700275 office@aldermanpayne.cambs.sch.uk

TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC



Hosted by Parson Drove
Street Pride

19th August 2025

Parson Drove Park (on the field)

11:15

Bring your own picnic

Tea, coffee & juice
provided

Meet our special
guest: Summer
the Shark!



All children must be accompanied by an adult