



Resilient Aspirational Courageous

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Weekly Newsletter

Friday 21st October 2022

Message from Mrs Wright

What an amazing half term we have had here at Alder Moor Farm. The children have been amazing and it has been great to see them make such great progress already. It was lovely to see so many parents/carers attend our parent's evenings this week and thank you for the positive feedback that so many of you gave. Just a reminder that children's school shoes should be black shoes or plain black trainers. We are having several children attend in white or other colour trainers. These are fine for PE days but not for full school uniform. Thank you for your support this half term and have a lovely half term break and we will see all of the children when they **return on Tuesday 1st November**.

This week at Alder Moor Farm

This week in **Nursery** we have been reading the book *Dogs* by Emily Gravett. We have been working together at circle time to draw the different types of dogs from the book. We also had Olly the dog visit us in Nursery. The children learned about what he eats, drinks and we got to take him for a walk. Some children were even brave enough to stroke him



In **Reception** this week we visited our local church, St Catherines, for a non-religious Harvest Celebration, where we sang the song *Big, Red Combine Harvester* using Makaton – which is a form of sign language. A big thank you for all those who donated food for our local Foodbank. Please remember that all homework can be found on your child's Seesaw account, and it is an expectation that it is completed weekly along with daily reading and phonics activities. If you are having trouble signing into Seesaw, please see one of the Reception Team. The Reception Team especially Mrs Clarkson have worked hard over the last couple of evenings revamping our outside area and there are lots of exciting new activities to explore. Can we please ask that



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before and after school your children stay off all the equipment for their own safety. All the children have done extremely well settling into Reception in the last 7 weeks, please have a lovely half term, stay safe and see you on the 1st November.



In **Year 2** this week, the children have worked extremely hard on addition and subtraction. We have learnt how to use different resources including number lines and base 10 equipment. The children have challenged themselves and have persevered when it was tricky!

In **Year 3** in English we created our own magic box and wrote a poem about it. Children made a super effort to include alliterations and metaphors in their poems. In Science we finished our topic 'Light' by doing an end of topic assessment. Maths this week was a bit challenging, but I am proud to say that all the children persevered and didn't give up. Children are thoroughly enjoying learning something new every week in Spanish. This week they learnt how to say 'My favourite colour is' In Spanish.

Well done children for working hard and you all deserve to rest and enjoy time with your friends and family. Make sure you read regularly and keep yourself safe.

In **Year 4** we have been learning to subtract with more than one exchange. The children used manipulatives to ensure the secure understanding of the method. Despite the topic being quite challenging, they have all persevered with their learning and made good progress. In English, we have enjoyed gathering questions and interviewing the main characters from our focus text, Rapunzel. We were very impressed by verbal and drama skills of our children. This week, we have come to the end of our class book, Pippi Longstocking. Many children enjoyed it so much, they were asking to take it home. Whilst the class copies need to stay in school, there are two other books about Pippi that children can borrow from the school library. And finally, in music, we have composed and performed our own ballads. What a busy week it has been! Enjoy your well earned break, Year 4.



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In **Year 5** we are coming to the end of *The Firework-Maker's Daughter*, exploring an information text about ancient China in whole class reading and writing a narrative poem in English. We have been investigating prime, square and cube numbers in maths.

In Year 6, we have been learning the songs for Young Voices. The children have thoroughly enjoyed what we have learnt so far. This week, we sang a melody of traditional folk songs, and it was lovely to see the children displaying the level of effort they did.

Reading at Alder Moor

Accelerated Reader:

Well done to our Key Stage 2 Readers, who have been working hard reading at home and passing tests using Accelerated Reader.

Exciting News:

We are very proud to announce that we have our **3rd Word Millionaire – Fatmah**. Well done!

This week's Accelerated Reader stars are –

Ready Readers: Pathania, Chenaniah, Zach, Liam, Antony, Jaweriyah, Harrison, Milana, Issa, Tyler, Abdoullah, Sohaila, Catarina, Muhamadoun

Independent Readers: Angeza, Millie, Aleksandrs, Rahma, Mohammed

Rising Readers: Maksims, Nevaeh

Advanced Reader: Fatmah

Super Readers: Sejal, Fatima, Alfie

OUR TOP READERS THIS WEEK

NAME	CLASS	WORD COUNT*
Kanivily	6RH	325,947
Frances	6JC	324,081
Fatmah	6JC	262,030
Arushan	6JC	236,053
Mohammed	6KJ	115,961

*These figures are for 14/10/22-20/10/22

OUR TOP READERS FOR THE YEAR SO FAR

NAME	CLASS	WORD COUNT
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Arushan	6JC	1,500,025
Frances	6JC	1,385,116
Fatmah	6JC	1,112,811
Emma-Caylin	6KJ	650,121
Kanivily	6RH	629,263

We are also proud of how many words have been read this week by each of our Key Stage 2 classes.

CLASS	WEEKLY WORD COUNT*
3TG	119,626
3RC	14,341
3PTSH	18,378
4NLJN	56,509
4CP	81,915
4OI	147,845
5TF	108,533
5KF	153,459
5SCNS	133,882
6KJ	459,175
6JC	1,367,592
6RH	564,416

*These figures are for 14/10/22-20/10/22

Safeguarding and Well Being

As ever, we are here to help and support you and your children. Please contact one of the team if you have a safeguarding concern or query or if we can help you in any other way.

Please can you make sure that your contact details (phone numbers/emails etc) are up to date with the school office.

Healthy lunchboxes

Please where possible include healthy options in children's lunchboxes and refrain from bringing in any hot items into school.

Parent questionnaire

A parent questionnaire has been sent out this week. All completed questionnaires will be put into a prize draw to win a £15 Asda voucher.

Aspire hub

Half term activities shared from the local hub. These have been sent to parents/carers via email and the poster has been put on the school website.



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Social Supermarkets, Food hubs link

<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/cost-living-wellbeing-support/social-supermarkets-food-hubs-foodbanks-map>

Mrs Rouse (Designated Safeguarding Lead)

Pastoral Team: Miss Sutton & Mr O'Keefe

Alternatively, you can call the **NSPCC helpline 0808 800 5000**. Children and young people can call **Childline on 0800 1111**.

Attendance

Our Attendance Target: 97%
Our Attendance this week: 95.12%
Our Attendance to date: 94.45%

This week we have 2 'Golden Classes' with attendance at or above our target:

Miss Lapworth and Mrs Nagra: 97.6%

Miss Holland: 98.2%

A huge well done to Mr Chylinski's class who achieved 100% last week!

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All children with attendance over 97% visited the Attendance shop today and collect their reward





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Celebrations

Each week class teachers will choose a child in their class that consistently follows our rules of Ready, Respectful and Safe. Those chosen will have Hot Chocolate with Mrs Wright on Friday afternoon.

Hot chocolate Friday winners for this week are -

Reception: Eman, David and Vinnie

Year 1: Kanya, Ekvir and Reeti

Year 2: Saffy, T'aire and Droshum

Year 3: Abdur, Keiran and Gabriela

Year 4: Malaz, Ekaa and Zainab

Year 5: Boubacar, Izabela and Olivia

Year 6: Alfie, Ahmad and Catarina

Each week a child will also be chosen to be presented with a certificate. This week our focus was 'Aspirational'

Certificate winners for this week are -

Year 1: Aarun, Archangel and Habiba

Year 2: Loui, Suhayb and Lakkith

Year 3: Artur, Cheneniah and Antony

Year 4: Ariela, Amelia and Shakoor

Year 5: Nina, Ling and Thomas

Year 6: Tyler, Amelia and Ivan

Diary Dates



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Half Term

Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October 2022

Inset day: Monday 31st October – **Children return to School Tuesday 1st November**

Autumn Term 2

Tuesday 1st November – Friday 16th December 2022

Inset day Friday 2nd December – children not in school

Spring Term 1

Tuesday 3rd January – Friday 17th February 2023

Half Term

Monday 20th February – Friday 24th February 2023

Inset day Monday 27th February – children return to school Tuesday 28th February

Spring Term 2

Tuesday 28th February – Friday 31st March 2023

Summer Term 1

Monday 17th April – Friday 26th May 2023

Summer Term 2

Monday 5th June – Tuesday 25th July 2023

Summer holidays start Wednesday 26th July 2023