



*Resilient Aspirational Courageous*

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## Weekly Newsletter

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022

### Message from Mrs Wright

It has been a busy week here at Alder Moor Farm. It has been lovely to see the children starting their whole class reading texts, please do ask them about these. Reading is a vital part of the curriculum so please help your child by reading with them and to them every day.

It has been lovely to meet more of you this week on the playground. Please can we ask that if you would like to speak to your child's teacher that you wait until the end of the day. In the morning the adults are trying to set up for the day and also listen to children read. If you do have an urgent message, then please either contact the office or speak to one of the adults on the gate and we will pass it on. Thank you for your support with this.

Don't forget that school will be closed on Monday due to the Bank holiday. Next week in school the children will make a commemorative book of messages and pictures for the Queen.

We look forward to seeing all of the children back in school on Tuesday for another exciting week here at Alder Moor Farm!

### This week at Alder Moor...

In **Nursery** this week we have welcomed all of our new friends into school. They have all settling well and it is lovely to see them. Mrs Sly and Miss Galvin are very proud of them all.

**Reception** have been busy setting into their daily routines, and we are all very proud of them. This week they began their phonics lessons, learning how to say and write the sounds m, a, s, d, and t. We have also begun our maths and Theme lessons. Please can you remember to send your children in on Tuesday with family photos for them to share with their class.

**Year 1** have been busy learning about aliens after a UFO was found in each classroom! We have also loved creating lots of art work inspired by our class text 'Where the Wild Things Are'.

**Year 2** have enjoyed reading 'Dougal's Deep Sea Diary' in our English lessons. The children have worked very hard thinking of interesting vocabulary to describe an underwater scene. They have really impressed their teachers!

In **Year 3** this week has been very exciting. Children began to learn a new language 'Spanish' and took their base line Accelerated Reader test. They were excited to go to the library and choose their first book. In English we began to read a book 'Stone Age Boy'. We learnt about how life in the Stone Age was. We spoke to children



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about our new Prime Minister Liz Truss and discussed that it is a good time to become Prime Minister. Children came up with lots of interesting reasons for the vote they exercised. Overall, we have had an amazing week.

**Year 4** had a wonderful Tuesday afternoon learning about primary colours and how to mix them to create the secondary ones. The children learnt to make different hues for the same colours.

Later this week, we had a very exciting science lesson conducting experiments on sound and vibrations. Some of them could even be re-created at home!

**Year 5** have been talking about their aspirations. It has been fascinating to hear all about what the children want to be when they are older: from working with animals to driving their own car to becoming a doctor.

**Year 6** have begun reading Wonder and are really enjoying the book. As well as that, the children have made an excellent start with reading at home and have begun their journey with Accelerated Reader.

## Reading at Alder Moor

### Phonics – Read Write Inc:

If your child is on the Phonics programme, they will now have two Read Write Inc books that they will be bringing home. Please get your child to read these to you each day. We understand that life can get very busy so if you aren't always able to sit with your child and hear them read then they can always read to a teddy bear or their favourite toy! The more your child reads, the more confident and fluent they will become which will help them to access all areas of the curriculum. If you have any questions about phonics then please speak to your child's class teacher or to Mrs Deeley (Miss Halsey).

### Accelerated Reader:

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

### This week's Accelerated Reader stars are -

**Ready Readers:** Maisie Riley, Millie, Aliyah and Jay

**Independent Reader:** Frances

## Safeguarding

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.

**Data collection sheets have been sent out. It is essential that we have at least two emergency contacts for your child. Please complete these and return to school as possible.**



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**Please be aware that children under 16 should not have a What's App account.**

Online health questionnaire have been sent out to the new reception parents. Online health workshops have been sent out to parents via email from the school nursing team.

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**.

## Celebrations

**Hot chocolate Friday winners for this week are -**

**Year 1:** Ella-Rae and Salum

**Year 2:** Amity, Maryam and Sisi

**Year 3:** Pathania. Liam-James and Zarang

**Year 4:** Abdul, Maeli and Amelia S

**Year 5:** Ling, Issa and Soham

**Year 6:** Princewill, Navreet and Millie

This week our focus was 'Respectful'

**'Respectful' role model certificate winners for this week are -**

**Year 1:** Khalid and Oscar

**Year 2:** Nahreen, Dola and Rebecca

**Year 3:** Jacob. Rithvika and Lira

**Year 4:** Xander, Safaa and Hugo

**Year 5:** Hajra, Amelia and Olivia

**Year 6:** Abdoullah, Ryan and Alfie



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## Diary Dates

### Events

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September – School closed to all children and staff

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September – 3:30pm Nursery Bedtime Stories Parent Workshop

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September – 9:00am Reception Phonics Parent Workshop

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September – 9:00am Year 1 Phonics Parent Workshop

### Term Dates

#### **Bank Holiday**

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September – School closed to all children and staff

#### **Half Term**

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Inset day: Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October – children return to School Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November

#### **Autumn Term 2**

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022

Inset day Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – children not in school

#### **Spring Term 1**

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023

#### **Half Term**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Inset day Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February – children return to school Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February

#### **Spring Term 2**

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

#### **Summer Term 1**

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

#### **Summer Term 2**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2023

**Summer holidays start Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2023**