



Resilient Aspirational Courageous

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Weekly Newsletter

Friday 5th May 2023

Message from Mrs Wright

What a glorious afternoon we have had today celebrating the King's Coronation on the playground. There was fabulous procession where the children waved their flags and wore crowns. We finished the afternoon with a party cake! The children have enjoyed learning about the coronation this week and the links to British values. As we look ahead to next week, we wish all our year 6 children lots of luck with their SATs test that start Tuesday.

We hope you have a lovely long weekend and look forward to seeing **all of the children back in school on Tuesday 9th May.**

This week at Alder Moor Farm

Nursery

This week in Nursery we have been learning about the King's upcoming Coronation. The children have been busy making crowns to wear and baking cakes to share on Friday. We also came back to Nursery on Wednesday to lots of sunflower and radish shoots. Soon we will start to plant them into bigger pots. In Maths we have been counting the number of bottles tops that fit containers and using the vocabulary more and less. We have started to count the number of children present in the class daily which helps children with counting over 10.

We enjoyed our celebration day on Friday with music and all the different colourful clothes the children wore. Thank you to all parents/carers.

Reception

This week in our Maths lessons we have been exploring 3D shapes learning about their names and their properties. The children have offered good reasoning as to why Mr Giraffe cannot build a wall using cylinders and spheres and why he has to use shapes like a cube and a cuboid. In Theme this week we have been learning all about the Kings Coronation and have enjoyed celebrating the occasion with the rest of the school. We have continued to see our chicks grow and were sad to see them go yesterday to their new home but we know they will be looked after.



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Year 1

The children have really enjoyed planning their own story in English this week. We have read a story called 'The Secret of Black Rock' and taken the ideas we like from the story. We are now using those ideas to plan our own story. Next week, we will be using these plans to start writing. Ask your child to tell you all about their new story. In Theme, we looked at how our school has changed over the years. We have also enjoyed looking at the plants that grow on our school grounds for science. Over the weekend, you could have a look at what plants grow in your garden or local area. You could even share any photos on seesaw.

Year 2

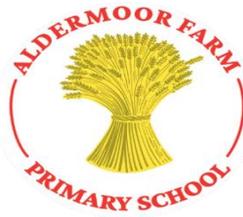
This week, in our English lessons, the children have enjoyed our new book 'The King Who Banned the Dark'. We are looking forward to writing letters to the King next week, persuading him that the dark should not be banned! In our Theme lesson, we looked at maps and keys. The children worked hard and were able to use the key to identify symbols on the map, as well as using the compass points we learnt last week to describe the position of some features.

Year 3

This week in Art lessons we learnt about botanical art. We looked at different fruits, leaves and flowers and created a botanic artwork by sketching them from different angles. In Theme we learnt more about Romans by looking at different historical source materials and tried to understand different historical viewpoints. In English we continued writing a letter and in Maths we learnt about parallel lines, perpendicular lines, and quadrilaterals.

Year 4

This was a very short but a rather busy week for Year 4. In Maths, we learned how to compare and order decimal numbers and the children took it in their stride, using manipulatives to support their learning. In English, we began planning a narrative and were really impressed by the ideas and ambitious vocabulary that the children have gathered in preparation for their independent writing. We have also learnt about the Coronation and discussed how its features might be different in other cultures. The children have learned about the meaning of the orb and sceptre, the reasons for anointing and the main parts of the coronation. We have also looked at the biography of King Charles and at what makes him a progressive Royal. The children have thoroughly enjoyed Coronation activities in preparation for the celebration.



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Year 5

This week, we started our new English unit of work about adventure stories and survival guides. We are excited to see where this adventure takes us. We have been working hard to become more confident with calculating with decimal numbers in Maths. We have been working on multiplying and dividing numbers by 10, 100 and 1000. In Theme, we had a special visit from Mrs Sanders, who shared her experience of owning an allotment. The children enjoyed learning about the responsibilities and benefits of owning an allotment. We then investigated different sites to see which one would be an appropriate site for an allotment.



Year 6

In Year 6 this week, the children have been working hard in preparation for SATs week. The testing week begins next week and finishes on Friday. We are very excited for the week and the children are thoroughly prepared. The children have really enjoyed this afternoon's activities and our Head Boy and Girl led the procession very well.



Reading at Aldermoor



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Accelerated Reader:

Well done to all of our readers, who have been working hard reading at home and passing tests using Accelerated Reader.

Our total word count, up to today: 107,195,189.

This is an amazing figure – well done! Thank you for your support with reading at home.

Word Millionaires

Fantastic news! This week, we have **four** more Word Millionaires! Many congratulations to **Tabitha (6KJ), Tiana (6JC), Muammar and Jay (6RH)**.

This week's Accelerated Reader stars are –

Year 2 - Lilian (Ready Reader)

Year 3 - Maisie (Ready Reader), Leah and Artur (Independent Readers)

Year 4 - Temitayo and Charlie (Independent Readers)

Year 5 - Idil (Independent Reader), Olivia (Star Reader)

OUR TOP READERS THIS WEEK

NAME	CLASS	WORD COUNT*
Arushan	6JC	208,747
Kanivily	6RH	183,534
Maksims	6JC	178,979
Mikaela	6RH	169,441
Hibba	5TF	167,974

*These figures are for 28/04/23 - 04/05/23

OUR TOP READERS FOR THE YEAR SO FAR

NAME	CLASS	WORD COUNT
Arushan	6JC	7,368,411



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Fatmah	6JC	4,489,717
Kanivily	6RH	4,341,139
Maksims	6JC	3,663,790
Frances	6JC	3,059,859

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

CLASS	WEEKLY WORD COUNT*
2ES	25,910
2HW	13,257
2EG	12,848
3TG	36,030
3RC	105,278
3SB	7,609
4NLJN	43,481
4YS	130,053
4OI	13,352
5TF	250,429
5KF	43,377
5SCNS	241,881
6KJ	314,990
6JC	1,057,828
6RH	550,474

*These figures are for 28/04/23 - 04/05/23

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.



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FREE SCHOOL MEALS FREE School Meals for families with no recourse to public funds (NRPF)

Are you living in Coventry and No Recourse to Public Funds?

Is your annual household income below £22,700 (for families if you have one child)?

Are your total savings or capital under £16,000 or £26,300 (if you have two or more children)?

If you answered yes to these questions...
you are eligible for Free School Meals.

For more info: coventry.gov.uk/benefits-1/free-school-meals/2

Everyone is eligible - including NRPF children in reception & years 1 & 2

The process is different from Free School Meals

If you encounter difficulties DCATeam@coventry.gov.uk

What should you do ?

- Fill out the self declaration on the back of this leaflet
- Take it to your children's school to make the request

If you feel you are eligible for free school meals (families with no resource to public funds), please come and see the pastoral team/office for an application form.

Mrs Wright (Designated Safeguarding Lead)

Pastoral Team: Miss Sutton & Mr O'Keefe

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

Attendance

Our Attendance Target: 97%
Our Attendance this week: 90.27%
Our Attendance to date: 91.51%

Sports News

PE Kit reminder

Please can all children come into school wearing the correct PE kit. This should be

Red t-shirt (with school logo)
Black jogging bottoms/leggings/shorts
Trainers



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More t-shirts will be available soon and if you do not have a school logo red t-shirt, a plain red t-shirt can be worn.

No football kits are to be worn.

Reminder children should be in full school uniform on the days when they do not have PE, this includes days when they are attending afterschool clubs. Children will get changed after school into their PE kit.

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: Darius, Nafas and Mohammad

Year 1: Ella-Mai, Abel and Safiya

Year 2: Ksenja, Maryam and Patrisia

Year 3: Stephanie, Lily-Mae and Victor

Year 4: Latoya, Lexie and Seren

Year 5: Ling, Artjoms and Amelia

Year 6: Anele, Mohammed and Maksims

Riley Class: Michaela

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: Archangel, Alfie and Matei

Year 2: Dari, Yagnesh and Mason

Year 3: Leah, Zarang and Kieran

Year 4: Temi, Sofia and Malaz

Year 5: Fatima, Riley and Nida



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Year 6: Esme, Princewill and Jeanne

Events

May

Monday 8th May – Bank Holiday – School closed to all children

Tuesday 9th May – Friday 12th May Year 6 SATS

Wednesday 17th May – Phonic screen for Y1 parent/carer workshop 9am

Monday 22nd May – Reception vision screening

June

Wednesday 7th June – Online Safety parent workshop 9am

Monday 12th June – Local History Day

Tuesday 20th June – Class photographs

Thursday 22nd June – Year 6 trip to Big Bang at NEC

Monday 26th – 30th June – Year 6 Residential

July

Wednesday 5th July – Transition Morning – children to new classes

Monday 10th July – Aspirations Day

Tuesday 11th July – Year 2 trip to Weston Super Mare

Friday 14th July – Year 6 trip to GoAPe

Monday 17th – Early Years Sports Day

Tuesday 18th – Year 5 and 6 Sports Day

Wednesday 19th – Year 3 and 4 Sports Day

Thursday 20th – Year 1 and 2 Sports Day



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Diary Dates

Summer Term 1

Ends on Friday 26th May 2023

Summer Term 2

Monday 5th June – Tuesday 25th July 2023

Summer holidays start Wednesday 26th July 2023

Children return Monday 4th September 2023