



Resilient Aspirational Courageous

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Weekly Newsletter

Friday 22nd March 2024

Message from Mrs Wright

What a fantastic term it has been with so much to celebrate! The children have continued to work extremely hard and have enjoyed a variety of exciting events: Clare Balding's visit, Space Centre trip, St John's Museum trip, DT week, comic competition, egg competition, Forest school, PE competitions and much more. I am so proud of all the children and the staff for their commitment and determination throughout the term. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all our families for their support. It has been fantastic to see so many of you attending parent/carer workshops and other events. Happy Easter to those of you celebrating and enjoy a lovely break.

Look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 8th April

Events first week back:

Day	Events
Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	Multi-cultural celebration day

During this holiday, we can see that Eid, Easter and Vaisakhi will be celebrated or celebrated soon after our return to school. For our Multicultural celebration day, we would like all the children to come to school dressed in their celebration clothes.

This week at Alder Moor Farm

Nursery

In Nursery, we have been reading the story, 'The Boy Who Cried Wolf'. We have been retelling the story and acting it out. We have also been learning about the Easter story and reading the counting book, 'We're Going on an Egg Hunt'. This story has helped to develop our counting skills and recognition of numbers. Thank you to all the children that took part in the Easter bonnet parade and to all the adults that helped create the bonnets. They were magnificent! We hope you have a lovely break and we look forward to seeing you in the summer term.

Reception

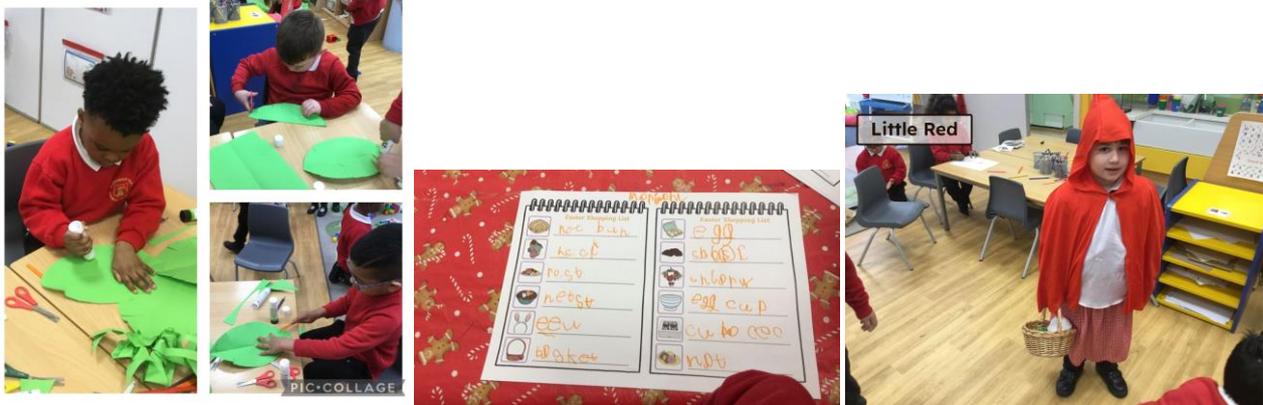


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In maths, we have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes and their properties. We have also explored making patterns with both shapes and colours. In theme, we have been learning about the Easter story and why Christians celebrate Easter. We have also been talking about other celebrations that children know and why they are celebrated like Ramadan, Diwali and Holi. We have also continued our writing based on the book 'Little Red'. Thank you to all the children that took part in the Easter bonnet parade and to all the adults that helped create the bonnets. We hope you have a lovely break and we look forward to seeing you in the summer term.



Year 1

What a fantastic week it has been! The children enjoyed our wonderful trip to St John's House Museum and learnt all about life in a Victorian classroom. They dressed up in pinafores and collars, used slate to write on chalkboards and practised marching drills outside. We also explored life in a Victorian house and examined toys old and new. We are so proud of how all the children behaved during the day; they were great ambassadors for Alder Moor Farm.

In maths, we have been using balance scales to weigh and compare different classroom objects and in English we completed our 'Where The Wild Things Are' unit by writing a guide to our very own Wild Thing. In between all of this, the children have also completed assessments in maths, phonics and reading so they have definitely earned a fun and restful break. We hope you all enjoy the two-week holiday and look forward to welcoming everyone back for the summer term.



Year 2



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We have been so impressed with all the children in Year 2 this week! We have been completing assessments and the children have approached these with amazing attitudes and have really tried their best. We are very proud of them all! In maths this week, we started to learn about 3D shapes as well as 2D shapes. The children are now confidently describing shapes using the vocabulary: edges, faces, vertices, curved surfaces and apexes. In English, we have used some of the facts we learnt about rainforest animals to write sentences. The children have started these sentences in a range of interesting ways and have included questions and exclamations too. We have enjoyed finishing our book 'The Hodgeheg' and can't wait to find out what our book will be next half term! We hope you all have a lovely break, and we look forward to seeing everyone back again on Monday 8th April.

Year 3

This week we did lots of assessments and it was amazing to see how resilient the Alder Moor Farm children are. All the children tried their best in taking the tests. We are very proud of them all. We had a visitor from Warwick University who did a workshop where children got to explore different types of magnets and learn how many ways magnets are used in our life and how important they are. We also went on a walk around the school to see how land is used around the school. Children could find all the different ways apart from farmland. On Friday, we had a session 'Taste Bud on your Tongue' where children learnt about different foods and their flavours. Overall, we had a very busy week and a very busy half-term. Children deserve a restful break. I hope you all have a fantastic break and get to enjoy a wonderful time with your friends and family. We are looking forward to seeing you on Monday 8th April.

Year 4

We have been so impressed with Year 4 this week. During assessment week, their behaviour towards their assessments and their attitude has been brilliant. This week, we have also written our letters to the witch imploring her to return the happy endings. The letters were very well written so we await to hear from the witch to see if she will indeed return the happy endings. In maths, we finished our decimal unit and we look forward to learning about shapes and perimeter next term. Art was very successful as we finished our still life masterpieces, and the work looks very impressive. In History, we learnt about the diet and lifestyles of the Anglo-Saxons. The Year 4 team hope you all have an amazing break, and we look forward to seeing you back in April.

Year 5

What a busy week it has been! Year 5 have now finished their fraction and percentages unit and the children have a great awareness of percentages in everyday life. In English, we looked at the features of the bargain letter and discussed how persuasive devices are used in public speeches to convince people of one's point of view. In science, we were learning about the phases of the moon, discovering that it was determined by the position of the Moon in relation to Earth and the Sun. In history, the children looked at the Acropolis of Athens and identified its main features, including Parthenon. The children have also completed a full set of assessments and impressed us with their resilience and determination. They had a chance to look at their scores and identify areas to work on next term. To finish the term in style, we had an eggciting educational



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hunt which did involve some chocolates! We wish you the most wonderful Easter break and are looking forward to seeing you in summer term!



Year 6

In maths this week, Year 6 have looked at a range of different areas of maths. After sitting mock SATs last week, we have focused on areas that the children found a little more challenging. Lines of symmetry and decimals are just two of those.

We have completed our final piece of work on Shackleton's Journey in English. The children wrote a formal letter to Mr. Shackleton to apply for a position on his crew to Antarctica.

In geography, we studied different causes as to why climate change is negatively impacting the globe. The children created information sheets and presented them to the class.

In preparation for SATs, some children have been invited to Easter school. It takes place in the second week of the holidays and is an excellent opportunity to be provided with specialised support for SATs. Please look out for the letter/email, with a quick form to be completed.

Please enjoy the deserved two-week break. Make sure you rest but also continue to work in your GCP books. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Riley Class

Riley class have worked extremely hard this week, taking on challenges to show off their learning this term. We have also enjoyed learning about the Easter story and the significance of an egg symbolizing new life. We have been excited to see the changes in our room and look forward to moving back in during the summer term. We hope you all have a fabulous break and see you in a couple of weeks. Happy Easter!

Reading at Alder Moor

Accelerated Reader:

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



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Our total word count, up to today: 105,286,491.

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

Our children have worked extremely hard on their reading this year and, as usual, we love to celebrate their achievements. In particular, we are proud to announce the top three readers in each class, for the year so far.

2ES		3MR		4EG		5HH		6KJ	
1	Shreya	1	Dola	1	Zoe	1	Isla	1	Mozeedah
2	Ekvir	2	Kimberly	2	Aleksandr	2	Madalina	2	Fatima
3	Khalid	3	Hadassa	3	Leah	3	Marley	3	Alisia
2HW		3TG		4YS		5OI		6JC	
1	Olly	1	Sanabel	1	Jaweriyah	1	Safiatou	1	Boubacar
2	Farrahah	2	Adorable	2	Fatihah	2	Kavisha	2	Henry
3	Daniel	3	Idris	3	Abdulmateen	3	Fredrica	3	James
2LC		3ZS		4ZE		5NS		6RH	
1	Reeti	1	Arav	1	Eknor	1	Sejal	1	Olivia
2	Jwana	2	Saffy	2	Diamond	2	Fredda	2	Hibba
3	Ibrahim	3	Aisyah	3	Tahfeem	3	Milo	3	Tommy

We are also proud of how many words have been read both this week and for the year to date by each of our classes.

CLASS	WEEKLY WORD COUNT	TOTAL WORD COUNT
2ES	85,203	1,081,882
2HW	115,255	961,038
2LC	63,248	563,711
3MR	57,350	1,165,904
3TG	188,919	2,229,193
3ZS	46,236	920,365
4EG	496,060	3,609,214
4YS	92,228	2,492,156
4ZE	185,295	2,048,362
5HH	281,106	7,618,497
5OI	268,625	9,687,674



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5NS	1,099,681	4,766,791
6KJ	594,048	18,580,774
6JC	1,245,232	37,253,654
6RH	397,621	12,307,276

Coventry Schools Library Quiz Final

On Wednesday 20th March, a group of Year 6 children represented our school at the Coventry Schools Library Quiz Final. Whilst they were not the overall winners on the day, they are to be commended for their hard work and dedication over the last few months in studying for the quiz. Well done to Boubacar, Tommy, Henry, Wisam, Olivia and Ayesha. We are all very proud of you.



World Book Day 2024 – DESIGN A BOOK TOKEN COMPETITION RESULTS

To celebrate World Book Day this year, all of our children entered a competition to design a national book token.

As well as submitting the entries for the actual competition, we have judged the children's drawings in school. The following children have all won house points for their wonderful drawings.

Nursery – **Avery**

Reception – **Chevelle (RCW), Hend (RSK)**

Year 1 – **Maya (1LH), Catalina (1AF), Arif (1EM)**

Year 2 – **Merlin (2ES), Fedora (2LC), Rayyan (2HW)**

Year 3 – **Carson (3TG), Nataliya (3MR), Arav (3ZS)**

Year 4 – **Shadya (4YS), Stanley (4EG), Lasritha (4ZE)**

Year 5 – **Sejal (5NS), Zara (5OI), Muna (5HH)**

Year 6 – **Olivia (6RH), Kais (6KJ), Dhanushaa (6JC)**

Riley - **Ebenezer**



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Times Tables and Number Facts

Each week, we shall be celebrating the work that children have done on 'Times Tables Rock Stars' (TTRS) and Numbots.

This week's winners with the **most correct answers**:

Year 1: Hanvika, Yafa, Aila

Year 2: Rayyan, Shreya, Evelina

Year 3: Ilie, Dola, Nataliya

Year 4: Abdul, Nabil, Yusuf

Year 5: Ava, Enoch, Judah

Year 6: John, Aymen, Artjoms

This week's winners for the **highest number of minutes played**:

Year 1: Hanvika, Aila, Harry

Year 2: Rayyan, Evelina, Shreya

Year 3: Ilie, Mukthadir, Nataliya

Year 4: Abdul, Yusuf, Joanna

Year 5: Judah, Enoch, Ava

Year 6: Artjoms, John, Dhanushaa

Oracy Home Challenge



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Oracy
Home
Challenge



Oracy is all about being a confident speaker and listener. Here is this week's oracy challenge for you to have a go at. Happy talking!

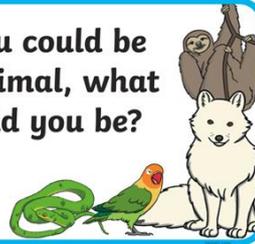


Discuss: Think of answers to these two questions and discuss them with your family members.

What 3 words do you think best describe you?



If you could be an animal, what would you be?



Maths Home Challenge

[This week's home challenge](#)



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City Trip Logic Puzzle



		SUITCASE				DESTINATION			
		Red	Yellow	Green	Orange	Berlin	Copenhagen	Rome	Prague
NAME	Tavish								
	Anya								
	Hassan								
	Ruby								
DESTINATION	Berlin								
	Copenhagen								
	Rome								
	Prague								



Four friends are chatting about their plans for the Easter holidays. They are all going on city trips to Europe with their families. Can you work out who is going where, and what colour their suitcases are?

- Anya's suitcase is not red and Ruby's suitcase is not orange.
- The person with a red suitcase is going to Prague, but it's not Hassan.
- Neither Anya nor Ruby are going to Berlin.
- Hassan is going to Rome. His suitcase is not orange.
- The person with a yellow suitcase is going to Berlin.

[Solution of the last week's challenge](#)

Noah Legs

There are lots of different possibilities here!

For example, if all the animals Noah saw were 1 legged animals , there would be 12 of them. Perhaps 12 snails!



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If all the animals Noah saw were 2 legged animals, there would be 6 of them. They could be birds e.g. robins, blackbirds, pigeons, maybe even humans - there are lots more!

If all the animals Noah saw were 4 legged animals, there would be 3 of those animals. Different types of 4 legged animals are dogs, cats, hedgehogs, horses, pigs, cows etc. etc.

If all the animals Noah saw were 6 legged animals, any insect for example, there would be 2 of those animals.

However, you can also mix 2 legged animals and 4 legged animals, and 6 legged animals. You could also have a spider, which has 8 legs.

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

Early help

Early Help is a partnership of organisations that provide help, advice and support to children, young people and families.

The aim of Early Help is to help you as soon as possible and prevent problems from getting worse by providing you support, as early as possible. Early Help services can help families, children and young people - pre-birth to 19 years old and 25 years old where there are special educational needs or disabilities.

What is a family hub?

A family hub is a place where children, young people and their families can go when in need of help and support. The people working in the family hub will work in partnership with you and your community. They will help you find and get help from different services in the area and will be able to give you information, advice and support.

Alder Moor Farm's closest Family hub is called **Aspire**. If you feel over the holidays, you need support from your local hub, you can contact them on 02476 978100.



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Easter Fun

Please see the below link for Easter fun activities that you can do with your family.

[Easter 2023: 7 Activities for Kids and Toddlers - BBC Tiny Happy People](#)

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: 95%

Our Attendance this week: 94.1% (+0.2% compared to last week)

Our Attendance to date: 93.5% (+0.1% compared to last week)

The classes that have more than 95% attendance this week are:

Starley	100%
Zephyr	97.7%
Morris	97.2%
Jaguar	96.9%
Allard	96.1%
Austin	95.8%
Chrysler	95.6%
Alvis	95.4%
Viking	95.2%

Excellent work, everyone! Well done for having great attendance!

Starley has a perfect 100% this week.

Well done to everyone who has been here every day this week. Our attendance **target remains at 95%** and we are keen to achieve it by the end of the year. Our attendance is higher than last week and is still higher than last year and we really want to keep it that way. So, let's work together to promote excellent attendance!

Celebrations

End of term assembly certificate winners for **"Consistently Resilient"**:



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Riley Class: David

Reception: Maia, Maria, Layla

Year 1: Arif, Marnia, Zuzanna

Year 2: Kashika, Daniella, Ella-Mae

Year 3: Ilie, Sisisakna, Joshua

Year 4: Fatihah, Tania, Fatma

Year 5: Marley, Yusuf, Lyla-Mae

Year 6: Yassin, Abi, Ahmad

Mr Ashmore: Jayden

End of term assembly certificate winners for **“Most Improved in Resilience”**

Reception: Trevor, Enzo, Sylvester

Year 1: Rida, Harry, Ava

Year 2: Neivie, Izu, Maksim

Year 3: Raghav, Robert, Saffy

Year 4: Ellis, Halfan, Kieran

Year 5: Wiktor, Livia, Nevaeh

Year 6: Hajra, Lucy, Elisabeta

Mr Ashmore: Elizabeth

Diary Dates

Term dates

Summer 1 Term dates

Monday 8th April – Friday 24th May

Half term holidays

Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May



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Summer 2 Term dates

Monday 3rd June – Friday 19th July

Children return on Tuesday 3rd September 2024