



Alwyn Infant School



OUR WEEKLY NEWS

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Messages and reminders

The first week of our book fortnight has been so lovely in school as the children have been talking about their favourite books, poems and stories.

The book fair was a tremendous success. It was fabulous having our parents, carers and grandparents back in school to browse the travelling bookshelves and choose their books.

I think the sparkly book covers with sequins seemed to be very popular! A huge thank you to everyone who came to support us.



To continue the book talk over the half term break, we have set the children a half term challenge. They need to choose a book they know well and create some artwork based on the character, setting or the story. They could choose to do a collage, model, design a new front cover, a picture/painting or a shoe box model. Their work will be displayed in the school for all to see!

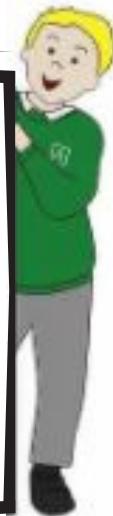
Have a look at some of the fabulous work we have had in the past ...



The Alwyn Aims

These are the rules we all try to follow:

- Keep your hands and feet to yourself
- Look and listen
- Be careful and kind
- Always do your best



Parking and Driving Outside School

We request that everyone drives and parks carefully and considerately around school. Please do not mount the pavements as many of our children walk to school on those pavements. Please do not park across the driveways of local residents. Please only use the disabled parking bays if you are entitled to do so, making sure your disabled driver permit is on display.



Free Parenting Courses

There is a free online parenting course called 'Understanding your child', for parents of children aged 6 months to 18 years. For further information on the course, go to: <https://inourplace.co.uk/online-course-for-parents/>. You can register for free using the access code: parenting.

Healthy Sleep for Children

We are running a free 'Sleep workshop for parents'

Monday 7th March 2022 From 9:15-10:15am
At Alwyn Infant School

Delivered by Jane McFadyen, Senior Educational Psychologist
and Ellie Newbery, Trainee Educational Psychologist

The session will include information and tips about healthy sleep routines and good 'sleep hygiene' for children. We plan to follow up with a further 'problem solving' workshop where you are invited to drop in and have an informal discussion with us. This will be held on Monday 21st March 2022 at 9:15-10:15am.



All welcome!

If you know you would like to attend then please email senco@alwyn.org.uk so we know roughly how many parents to plan for.

This session is part of a series of workshops delivered with the Educational Psychology Service. Other dates to look out for:

Monday 4th April 2022 09:15-10:15am - Supporting children with eating
Monday 9th May 2022 09:15-10:15am - Healthy routines for children

More information on these sessions to follow.

Messages from the Year Groups

RECEPTION LEARNING THIS WEEK

Ask me if I can tell you a word that has 'sh' in it.
Ask me if I can tell you a word that has 'th' in it.
Ask me if I can write the word 'ship'.
Ask me if I can write the word 'thin'.
Ask me to count to 10 and back.
Ask me the difference between 9 and 10.
Ask me to tell you about my family, including my extended family.
Ask me to tell you about Spring.
Ask me about the story, 'Open Very Carefully'.

YEAR 1 LEARNING THIS WEEK

This week in maths, we have been consolidating our knowledge of place value to 50.

Ask me if I can count forward and backwards within 50.

Ask me what one more and one less of the following numbers are:

14, 26, 42.

In phonics, we have been revisiting the sounds that we have learnt so far. Ask me if I can use the following sounds to spell words: /ur/ as in purse, /ou/ as in mouth and /eer/ as in deer.

In English we have been thinking about our favourite books for book week. Ask me what my favourite story is.

This week in art we have created our very own book cover. Ask me to tell you about my book.

This week we have designed our very own logo to go onto a rocket.

Ask me to show you my logo design.

YEAR 2 LEARNING THIS WEEK

This week, we have completed our lessons on pirates by writing our own pirate adventure and following instructions to make a pirate ship.

Ask me what my pirate captain and crew found on the desert island.

Ask me to describe what was found using expanded noun phrases.

Ask me to say what I should include in a good set of instructions.

In Science, we have looked at the bulbs we planted a few months back and have considered how they have changed.

Ask me to describe how the bulbs are growing.

Ask me to predict what might happen next.

In maths, we have continued to look at shape and focused on describing the features of 3D shapes. We have used the words faces, edges and vertices and have looked at which 2D shapes can be found on the flat faces of 3D shapes.

Ask me to describe a cuboid (cereal box) using my shape vocabulary.

Ask me to describe a cylinder (can of food) using my shape vocabulary.

Challenge: If I give you some clues, can you guess which shape I have named?

CONGRATULATIONS!!

A huge 'well done' to all the children who were in the Golden Book for their brilliant school work and to those children who had a kindness certificate or a polite parrot certificate this week.

We are very proud of you!

KEY DATES!

21st-25th February

Half Term

3rd March

Book Character Day

7th March, 9.15am

Parent session on sleep

7th-11th March (8.50-10.15am)

Grown Ups in School

(Mum or Dad, not both)

9th March

Bags2School Clothing Collection

14th March

Pastor Ben Dale Visit

15th March

FRED Workshop

15th & 17th March

Parents consultations

18th March

Red Nose Day

21st March, 9.15

Parent drop in: sleep

22nd March

Yr1 Trip to Odds Farm TBC

23rd March

Yr2 Trip to The Look Out
TBC

28th March

PCSO visit for Yrs1 & 2

4th April, 9.15am

Parent session on eating

8th April

End of Term

