



West Alvington C of E Academy

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 19th September 2025

Dear families,

This week, I have had the pleasure of teaching some of the children in West Alvington. It was a joy to get to know the children in Oak class and to see them show off their maths knowledge. The children are always so welcoming and enthusiastic towards their learning.

We've also really enjoyed welcoming parents into school this week. It's been lovely to see families visiting the classrooms and having the opportunity to speak with teachers — thank you for taking the time to come in and be part of our school community.

Our Year 6 pupils have shown incredible determination and maturity as they tackled their first SATs practice papers. We've been truly impressed by their positive attitude and the effort they've put into each task — a fantastic start to their Year 6 journey.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Ruston

Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 24th September- Forest School Hazel & Chestnut

Wednesday 1st October- Harvest Festival at All Saints @ 2:30pm

Wednesday 8th October - Forest School Oak & Chestnut

Friday 17th October- Year 6 Junior Life Skills

Wednesday 22nd October- Forest School Hazel & Chestnut

Monday 27th October- Friday 31st October- HALF TERM

Monday 3rd November- NON-PUPIL DAY

Wednesday 12th November- Forest School Oak & Chestnut

Wednesday 26th November- Forest School Hazel & Chestnut

Wednesday 10th December- Forest School Oak & Chestnut

Friday 19th December – Last day of autumn term

Monday 22nd December- Friday 2nd December- CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

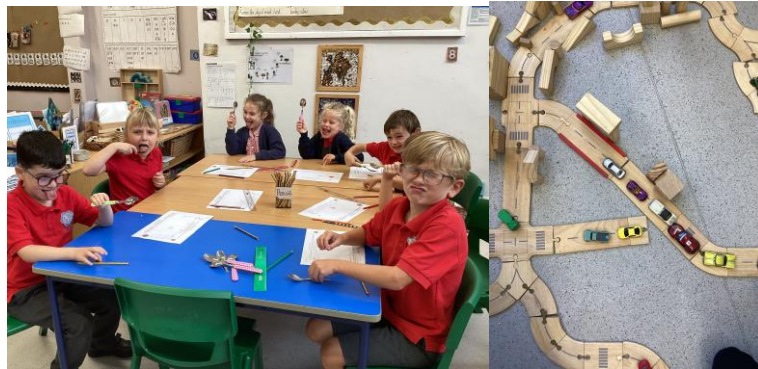
Monday 5th January – NON-PUPIL DAY

Tuesday 6th January- First day of Spring term

Hazel

Wow, it's been another busy week in Hazel class! As scientists, we explored our sense of taste by tasting foods that were bitter, sour, sweet and salty. As geographers, we explored the concept of an arial view by making our own town, using wooden bricks on the floor with roads and buildings and then taking photos of it from above. As artists, we unpicked the paintings of Yvonne Coomber to understand how they are created and to learn about background and foreground.

Thank you for all the photos of the children, we will be using some of them next week in our history lesson.



Oak

What a busy week we've had! On Wednesday afternoon, Art Club was a huge success. Hosted by Harriet, Heidi and Elsie, the children absolutely loved crafting their animal masterpieces—the results were so creative and impressive! Our Year 6 children should feel incredibly proud after completing their very first practise SATs papers. Their positive attitudes and determination shone through—well done, Year 6!

In class, we are now on our sixth plot point in our narrative story writing. The children are working hard on their spelling and pushing themselves to improve every day. Some are even asking for extra homework—fantastic enthusiasm!

As always, please don't hesitate to let me know if you have any worries or concerns. I'll be on the gate each morning and afternoon if you'd like to chat.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend! 😊



Stars of the Week

Hazel's star of the week goes to Henry for his problem solving in math's.

Oak's star of the week goes to Roxy for her amazing reading! Well done!



Values of the Week

In Hazel, Fynn for showing the value of Friendship during Reverend Jax's assembly.

In Oak, Louis, for showing the value of responsibility by being a fantastic Year 6 role model.



Attendance

Our attendance target is 98%

Our whole school attendance is currently 96.3%

Class attendance is currently:

Hazel Attendance 100% Oak Attendance 94.8%

Home Learning – Hazel

Please read 3 times a week, books are still changed on a Thursday.

Reading- please ensure adults sign the reading diary



Home Learning – Oak

Home learning consists of reading, spellings, Maths and curriculum themed projects.

Reading

Reading is key to everything your child will do in school. At West Alvington, we want our children to be confident readers with a love of books. Your support with reading is essential. Children are expected to read at least four times a week with a parent.

Please record the name of the book your child has read and the pages they have read and remind the children to bring their reading diaries into school every day.

Home Learning

Spellings – Contractions.

Maths revision for Year 3,4,5 and 6.