



# West Alvington C of E Academy

Weekly Newsletter Friday 10th October 2025

Dear Families.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at school this week and have been so impressed with some of the home learning from the KS2 children. They are fascinated by the Romans and have so many interesting facts. I also really enjoyed spending time in nursery, getting to know the children- there was a lot of dressing up during my visit.

Next week, we look forward to welcoming you to our Parent consultations. If you still don't have an appointment, please contact the office.

Please stay connected with us on our West Alvington Facebook page for updates, photos, and more. We are starting to use the site more to share the differnt learning happening across the school.

https://www.facebook.com/share/1EKbbNJZyQ/

Have a lovely weekend,

Warm regards,

Mrs Ruston

#### **Dates for the Diary**

Week beginning Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October – Parent Consultations Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October- Year 6 Junior Life Skills Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October- Forest School Hazel & Chestnut

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October- Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October- HALF TERM Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November- NON-PUPIL DAY

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November- Forest School Oak & Chestnut Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November- Forest School Hazel & Chestnut Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December- Forest School Oak & Chestnut

Friday 19th December – Last day of Autumn term

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December- CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January – NON-PUPIL DAY

Tuesday 6th January- First day of Spring term

## Chestrut

Our hedgehog has been christened. The children in Hazel and Oak were tasked to think of a name and when votes were in, the nursery children chose **Spike**. Another busy week of playful learning and building friendships. We spent time with Oak Class at Forest School and played in our outside play area with our woodland findings, discovering what floats and what sinks.







# Hazel

We had a super welly walk on Wednesday and spotted lots of human and physical features as part of our geography learning. The children have worked really hard on their final art pieces and they are amazing! They are very proud of them. In maths we are learning how doubles and ne

ar doubles can help us with addition problems, so please try and practise double numbles to 10 at home especially double 6,7,8,9.



### Oak Class

We had a fantastic time at Forest School on Wednesday morning! The children loved exploring the woods, collecting sweet chestnuts and abseiling. It was wonderful to see their confidence and teamwork. In class, we've continued our journey through Roman history. This week, we explored why the Romans invaded Britain. The children discovered that the Romans were drawn to Britain for its rich natural resources like tin, lead, and gold. Our super historians asked brilliant questions and shared thoughtful ideas—what a curious and clever bunch! Mrs Ruston was very impressed with Oak's history Home Learning which the children proudly showed her.





Thank you to Bex for sharing these super Robot inspired Art Club pictures - aren't they fantastic!



Have a lovely weekend!

# Stars of the Week

Hazel's star of the week goes to Tanith for using the discovery box in the morning.

Oak's star of the week goes to Ethan for his marvelous maths. Well done!

Chestnut's star of the week goes to Michael for being a super role model to his younger friends

## Values of the Week

In Hazel, Flynn for the value of friendship when playing with others in the class.

In Oak, Grace for her thoughtful contributions in class, showing our school value of responsibility. Well done!

#### Attendance

Our attendance target is 98%
Our whole school attendance is currently 95.2%

Class attendance is currently:

Hazel Attendance 99.3%

Oak Attendance 93.5%

#### Home Learning - Hazel

Please read 3 times a week, books are still changed on a Thursday. Reading-please ensure adults sign the reading

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#### <u> Home Learning - Oak</u>

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 10.10.25

Spellings - Suffix 'ing'

Maths Revision Addition and Subtraction...