

Aldermaston CE Primary School Newsletter



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We've enjoyed another busy few weeks of our Summer Term with lots of enrichment activities. A particular highlight this week was spending time with our new entrants for September and their families who popped in after school on Wednesday. It was lovely to meet them and for them to spend time in our school in preparation for September.

A summer of sport

Two school teams have been in action recently, proving themselves to be both sporting superstars and wonderful ambassadors for Aldermaston School.

We sent a squad of six Wrens to a local Multiskills event at Brimpton Primary School where they enjoyed a variety of different sports alongside their friends from Brimpton and Woolhampton.

Well done to Harry, Elodie, Henry, Flynn, Mavis and Kimberley! Thank you to Mrs Makepeace for organising and supporting.



On Wednesday, Miss Renfrew accompanied Hannah, Clark, Ollie, Avery and Miryam to a Multiskills event at Theale. Another brilliant team effort with the children enjoying activities with teams from many other local schools. Thank you to the children and Miss Renfrew.

Miss Renfrew also led a fantastic assembly with the whole school focused on the UEFA Women's Euros 2025 which are due to start shortly. The children were reminded how recently women were banned from playing this game and we looked at the amazing impact of our 2022 victory and how this has opened up wonderful opportunities in women's football.

Family Learning Morning - Mathematics

Thank you for ensuring that we had record breaking attendance at our recent Family Learning Morning. It was wonderful to see 62 visitors enjoying time in class alongside our children. We hope you found the maths in real life contexts useful. Just a reminder that our website contains lots of information about the school curriculum, including expectations for each year group and some handy links to resources.

<https://aldermaston.w-berks.sch.uk/curriculum/mathematics>

Science highlight

This week, as part of their working scientifically science unit, our Kingfishers and Starlings had the unique opportunity to dissect a lamb's heart. This work allowed them to develop their understanding of the circulatory system by observing and exploring the heart. They identified different chambers, valves and blood vessels which gave them a deeper appreciation for this organ and how it works in our own bodies.



James Carter – poetry assembly

Across the school, children are producing some wonderful poetry which I'm really enjoying reading. As part of our curriculum enrichment, we've got James Carter on site today! We've welcomed him today to our school to inspire and motivate our children's creative writing. He's popped into some of our classrooms for a visit and lead a poetry assembly for everyone to enjoy this afternoon. Thank you to Mrs Ebrey for organising this enrichment opportunity.

Water Safety

The lovely warm weather we are enjoying can cause children (and adults) to take risks in cooling off in rivers, canals, ponds, lakes and the sea. Research indicates that the risk of accidental drowning is five times higher when the air temperature is 25 degrees or higher.

This is a good time to talk about water safety with your children. You may wish to visit the RNLI website to find out more information about the Float to Live campaign, and what to do if you get into trouble in the water ([rnli.org/safety/float](https://www.rnli.org/safety/float)) - this includes a video demonstrating how to float to live.

We're looking forward to seeing many of you at our Sports Day and our Summer Fete next Friday. Please keep your fingers crossed for lovely weather.

Wishing you all a fantastic weekend.

Mrs M Higgs
Headteacher



Robins Science Experiment—Reported by Miss Renfrew.

Robins had a wonderful time becoming investigators in Science this week - we were attempting to see if the skittles spread better in cold or warm water. The children worked in groups to carry out their experiments and look how fabulous the results were! - Turns out, cold is best!



NO NUTS STATEMENT

We have a responsibility to provide a safe learning environment for everyone in our school and we take the management of allergies very seriously.

As our school currently has one or more pupils on roll who suffer from a serious nut allergy, we request that parents and carers **DO NOT** send food to school that contains nuts. This includes:-

- All types of nuts
- Spreads and sandwich fillings containing nuts like peanut butter and Nutella
- Cereal and chocolate bars which contain nuts
- Cakes or biscuits which contain nuts

Please check food labels if you are unsure about ingredients.

PLEASE SEE OUR FULL NO NUTS STATEMENT ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE

<https://aldermaston.w-berks.sch.uk/parents/school-dinners/no-nuts-statement>



**No nuts in
this area due
to allergies**

School News

REMINDERS

ACCESS TO SCHOOL BUILDING

Please note that at all times there should be **NO PARENTS** in the school building without having first signed in through the office and obtained a visitor badge. Thank you.



WALKING ON SCHOOL WALL AT FRONT OF SCHOOL

Please could we remind you **NOT TO ALLOW** your children to walk on the small wall at the front of the school.

NO Smoking or Vaping on School Grounds



Our school site is a no smoking zone and we therefore ask all parents to NOT smoke or vape within the school grounds. Thank you.

Car Park

Please be considerate when parking in our school grounds to drop off and collect your child. The spaces on the left hand side of the drive are meant to be used for people who can drop off or pick their child/children up quickly, rather than for those needing to wait for a long time. If you need to wait, please park in the spaces to the right of the main drive or in the spaces in front of the field to the left of the main school building as you come into the entrance gate. Thank you.

Use of Playground Equipment

We would ask that **NO CHILDREN** are allowed to play on the school equipment in and around the playground. These areas are for use by the children during school time only and should **NOT BE USED** by children before school or after school. Our insurance only covers the use of this equipment with supervision by staff, who are trained in the correct use of the play equipment and we would not want any harm to come to the children without the correct supervision. Thank you.

EVENTS THIS TERM

Friday 4th July

12pm.....Sports Day and Family Picnic

Monday 7th July

1pm.....Summer Performance Dress Rehearsal

Tuesday 8th July

7pm.....Summer Performance "Grub"

Wednesday 9th July

7pm.....Summer Performance "Grub"

Monday 14th July

All day.....KS1 Bournemouth Oceanarium trip

Monday 14th July & Tuesday 15th July

All day.....Y5/6 Bikeability Level 2

Tuesday 15th July

9:30am.....End of Year Service at St Mary's led by Kingfishers

Friday 18th July

9:15am.....Y6 Leavers Assembly

Tuesday 22nd July

3:25pm.....END OF PUPIL TERM

Please see our online diary for more dates at:-
<https://aldermaston.w-berks.sch.uk/calendar>

Lost Property

We are currently sorting through our lost property bin and most of the items in there are unnamed. Can you please make sure that you clearly label your child's clothing so we can reunite them. Any unnamed and unclaimed items will be donated to the PTA's second hand uniform sales.



TERM DATES 2024

Summer Term 2025

First Day of Term 5	Wednesday 23rd April 2025
Last Day of Term 5	Friday 23rd May 2025
Half Term—no school	Monday 26th to Friday 30th May 2025
First Day of Term 6	Monday 2nd June 2025
Last Day of Term 6	Tuesday 22nd July 2025

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SUMMER FETE

FRIDAY 4TH JULY
4pm to 7pm

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