



Bulletin: Friday 18th July 2025

This week's bulletin starts with some devastating news. Earlier this week, staff were made aware that Reggie Hopkinson, the young son of former Woodthorpe Infant School Headteacher Karl Hopkinson, tragically died following a car accident last week. Mr Hopkinson was obviously a big part of the Woodthorpe community for a number of years and is well known by our current group of children.

We know that you'll join us in a feeling of great sadness and sympathy for his family at this time. In Reggie's memory, the family have asked for donations to his school for them to put towards new books and projects. Should you wish to make a donation, please give this to the school office (Arno Vale or Woodthorpe) by Thursday 24th July.

Summer Fair - Reminders

Summer Fair – Today

Time: 3:35–5:00pm (straight after school)

We're excited to invite you to our Summer Fair, taking place this afternoon. There will be plenty of fun, games and activities for the whole family to enjoy—don't miss it!

Please bring cash.

Raffle Tickets

Raffle tickets are now available to purchase on MCAS – just £1 per strip!

There are plenty of good prizes on offer, including a family ticket to the Hundred at Trent Bridge, Boots beauty hampers and floral baskets from local garden centres.

Snow White

The Year 6 performances of Snow White this week were absolutely fantastic! The children were incredible – their hard work and dedication to learning their lines, stage directions and bringing their characters to life really shone through. It was a massive team effort, with every child playing an important role in making the production such a success. A huge thank you goes to the Year 6 staff for their creativity, energy and commitment in putting the show together, as well as to everyone who helped behind the scenes with props, costumes, artwork and everything else that made the performances so special. We're also very grateful to the FOAV for providing refreshments and to all the families and friends who came along to support the children. We are incredibly proud of our Year 6 children – they've done themselves and the school proud!

The Final Week

Next week marks the final week of term, and although it's an exciting time, we'll be keeping things calm and structured for the children. Lessons will continue as normal, with a focus on finishing off curriculum work and ongoing projects. Please send your child in with a bag, as

they'll be bringing home their completed work books. School reports will be sent out electronically on Monday. Throughout the week, children will find out our sports day winners and various awards will be presented, with our final celebration assembly taking place on Friday. We'll also be marking the end of term with farewell events for staff who are leaving, as well as special activities for our Year 6 children, including their leavers' party on Wednesday and assembly on Friday. A busy and memorable week ahead!

Mr Ward and Mr Lindley's Summer Sports Camps

These will take place on the following dates:

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- ***5th (fully booked), 6th, 7th (fully booked) August***
 - ***12th, 13th, 14th August***
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[*Click here for more information and to book a place.*](#)

As always, we had lots to celebrate in our assembly today.

Birthdays:

This week we celebrated the birthdays of Ollie, Nathaniel, Annabelle, Matilda, Stanley and Dylan. Happy Birthday!

Stars of the week:

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- ***3 Grey – Lyla and Nathaniel for independence and respect.***
 - ***3 White – Violet for respect and Ellie for determination.***
 - ***4 Orange – Tilly and Lucas for independence.***

- 4 Yellow – Maya for kindness and Thomas for independence.
 - 5 Green – Noah P and Marley for respect.
 - 5 Red – Theo for determination and Eliza for curiosity.
 - 6 Blue – Lennon for determination and Isaac for respect and kindness.
 - 6 Purple – Eleanor and Caleb for determination.
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TTRS winning class:

93% of 4 Orange logged on and played this week! Well done 4 Orange!

Out of school achievements:

- Leon came second place in a go-karting competition.
 - Ruben has earned a bronze award from Beavers.
 - Esme AH and Meredith were proud to show us their swimming certificates.
 - Oliver worked hard to achieve a green belt in Taekwondo.
 - Esme C showed a very special kindness award from Beavers.
 - Bella, along with her football team, came third place in a recent tournament.
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Class challenge:

This challenge was about learning behaviours for listening when an adult is talking.

Runners up earning 5 minutes of reward time: 3 Green, 4 Yellow, 5 Green, 6 Blue

3rd place earning 10 minutes of reward time: 4 Orange

2nd place earning 15 minutes of reward time: 5 Red

1st place earning 20 minutes of reward time: 3 White

Well done everyone!



General Messages:

Instruments

If your child is not continuing with music lessons in September and has hired an instrument, please return it by Wednesday.

Reminders from previous bulletins:

Sports Achievements

A reminder that if you want a picture of your child's out of school sports achievement to feature in our end of year sports awards assembly, please send it in to Miss Fallon by the end of the day on Monday.

Tuck Shop

Tuck shop for September is now available to book on MCAS.

School Meals

Due to rising costs, the Governors have recently approved an increase in the price of school meals to £3.00 per day, starting from September. We still believe this represents good value for money, given the high quality of the food and the varied, nutritious menu on offer each day.

Dogs

A polite reminder that dogs are not permitted on site (with the exception of assistance dogs).

Books

As we approach the end of term, please check at home for any books which have been borrowed from school and return them to your class. We will be closing the school library on Friday 18th July so we can get it ready to reopen when we start back in September.

INSET Days 2025/26

A reminder that next academic year, both Arno Vale Junior School and Woodthorpe Infant School will have the following INSET days:

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- *Monday 1st September 2025*
 - *Monday 3rd November 2025*
 - *Monday 23rd February 2026*
 - *Friday 3rd July 2026*
 - *Monday 27th July 2026*
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Community Links

Please check out our website for details about lots of things taking place in our community.

[*Community News | Arno Vale Junior School*](#)

Recent updates include a flyer for a holiday club at St Mark's Church.

Calendar Dates

Arno Vale Junior School Diary Dates	
Friday 11 th July 2025	Non uniform day
Week commencing Monday 14 th July 2025	Y6 SATs results sent home
Tuesday 15 th July 2025	Y6 performance
Wednesday 16 th July 2025	Y6 performance]
Friday 18 th July 2025	FOAV summer fair
Monday 21 st July 2025	End of year reports to parents
Wednesday 23 rd July 2025	Y6 leavers' festival
Friday 25 th July 2025	Last day of term Y6 leavers' assembly (2.45pm)
Monday 1st September 2025	Inset Day
Monday 6 th October 2025	Individual photos (and siblings)
Monday 3rd November 2025	Inset Day
Monday 23rd February 2026	Inset Day
Friday 3rd July 2026	Inset Day
Monday 27th July 2026	Inset Day