



Bulletin: Friday 25th July 2025

This week's bulletin starts with a message from our Chair of Governors, Amanda Payne:

Hopefully you will all agree with me that it has been another highly successful year at Arno Vale! As you all head into the Summer break I wanted to say thank you to our children and families for making our school community such a fulfilling place to learn and take part in so many fantastic opportunities.

The Governors have had the opportunity this week to hear about the results of the recent parent/carers survey, Y6 SATs results, Y4 multiplication test results and the progress on the School Improvement Plan. We were genuinely pleased to hear about the positive feedback received from so many of you, to hear of all of the progress made and a great set of results in the SATs. We will also have opportunity to review the SATs results further against national benchmarks once they are formally published in October and so the School Leadership team will share more with you then. We look forward to agreeing next year's objectives for the School Improvement Plan in September.

A special thanks goes to the FOAV team who work tirelessly in the background arranging the fundraising events that you all enjoy through the year. You all have contributed amazing funds to support additional learning opportunities for the children and new equipment across the school. The ambassadors have been fantastic in presenting their views for what the children would like funds to be spent on.

On behalf of all of the Governors I would like to extend our thanks, we are proud to support and represent such a strong school community. You all play a massive part in that, whether parenting, teaching, supporting, supervising, feeding or turning all those administrative cogs at home and in the office. Our children have a great team championing them every step of the way!

Thank you once again and I wish you all a restful and enjoyable Summer break!

See you in September!

A Busy Week!

What a busy and memorable final week of term it has been! Last Friday's summer fair only seems like yesterday - thank you to everyone who helped organise the event and to all who came along to support it. We're thrilled to share that early indications suggest we raised an amazing £1700, which will go towards providing even more fantastic opportunities for the

children this autumn. If you were lucky enough to win a raffle hamper, we'd really appreciate the return of any baskets so they can be reused next year.

On Tuesday, we held our annual Sports Awards Assembly, celebrating another fantastic year of sport at school. A huge congratulations to our girls' cricket team, who were crowned Team of the Year following their success at regional level. Joseph Goncalves received the Sports Personality of the Year award in recognition of his outstanding sporting achievements both in and out of school. Lydia, Alfie, Teddy, Molly, Harry, Tilly, Mason, Molly, Eliza, Oliver, Betsey, Ibraheem, Jasmine, Huey, Gabe, and Freya also received special awards for their brilliant sporting attitudes throughout the year. Congratulations to 6 Purple for winning Sports Day!

Wednesday saw our Year 6 children enjoy a fun-filled foam party and pizza celebration. Today, they performed a moving and emotional leavers' assembly to the whole school—we're incredibly proud of them and wish them all the very best for the future.

As previously mentioned, we are also saying goodbye to Mr Hicking and Mrs Tinkler. Their contributions as teaching assistants have been deeply valued by staff and pupils alike. They will be greatly missed, and we thank them for their dedication and friendship over the years.

Wishing everyone a happy, restful and safe summer break. We look forward to welcoming children back to school on Tuesday 2nd September.

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 Esme, Alfie, Joseph, Izaan, Oliver, and Teddy. We also looked ahead to all those who will celebrate a birthday over the break: Ellie, Ela, Esila, Sara, Phoebe, Esme, Jaxon, Violet, Lyla, Zachary, Annabelle, Adrian, Lucas, Thomas, Orestis, Molly, Ralph, Theo, Harrison, Narai, Bella, Olivia, Trey, Livvy, Ronnie, Samuel, Charlie, Eleanor, Oliver and Sofia.

Happy Birthday!

ClassDojo Champions:

During our final celebration assembly of the year, we announced the ClassDojo Points Champions—one child from each class who earned the highest number of ClassDojo points throughout the year.

- *3 Grey - Ruben*
 - *3 White - Alfie*
 - *4 Orange - Ben*
 - *4 Yellow - Evie*
 - *5 Green - Ivy*
 - *5 Red - Luke*
 - *6 Blue - Jessica*
 - *6 Purple - Freya*
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TTRS Champions:

We also announced the TTRS Champions—one child from each class who achieved the highest number of correct answers on Times Tables Rock Stars.

- *3 Grey - Hugo*
 - *3 White - Lenny*
 - *4 Orange - Ben*
 - *4 Yellow - Adrian*
 - *5 Green - Eva*
 - *5 Baker - Isla*
 - *5 Red - Faris*
 - *6 Fallon - Matylda*
 - *6 Iremonger/Oates - Jack*
 - *6 Baker - Seren*
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Out of school achievements:

- *Adrian and Toby proudly showed off their recent swimming awards.*
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Well done everyone!





General Messages:

From Mrs Blakemore:

Well done and thank you to all those who entered the Young Writers Mini Monster Tales competition. The effort put in to each entry is exceptional. Mrs Blakemore has submitted 29 entries from Arno Vale. The official closing date is 25th July so we look forward to hearing how we have done in the autumn term.

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.

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:

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- *A flyer about local events taking place over the summer holidays run by SEND Pact.*
 - *A flyer for Y5 parents about a Nottingham Free School open evening.*
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