Bishop Aldhelm's CE Primary School

Loved by God; United in Learning

Post It | 4th November 2026

VALUES

Love, Courage, Unity, Creativity & Respect

📊 Attendance Matters
99.3% - 4BS & 6BL

Last Day of Term
Friday 18th December
3:15pm Finish

Important Dates 2026/2027

November

Wednesday 4th November 2026
3:30-6:00pm: Time Together - Parents' Evening

Friday 6th November 2026
9:30-10:30am: Tour for potential new EYFS Parents 2027/2028

Tuesday 10th November 2026
9:30-10:30am: Tour for potential new EYFS Parents 2027/2028

Wednesday 11th November 2026
Remembrance Day - 2 minutes silence at 11:00am

Friday 13th November 2026
Children in Need Day

Sunday 15th November 2026
5:00pm: Family Worship at Bishop Aldhelm's

Monday 16th November 2026
Anti-bullying week - ODD SOCKS Day!

Monday 16th November 2026
Individual Photos - Fraser Portraits

Tuesday 17th November 2026
Sibling Photos - Fraser Portraits

Friday 20th November 2026
1:30-2:00pm: Tour for potential new EYFS Parents 2027/2028

Friday 27th November 2026
INSET Day (School closed for children)

Monday 30th November 2026
St Andrew's Day

December

Wednesday 2nd December 2026
11:00am: Little Bears Toddler Group - Christmas Theme

Thursday 3rd December 2026
4:30-5:30: Foundation Parents Christmas Story Telling & Hot Chocolate

Monday 7th December 2026
9:30-10:30am: Tour for potential new EYFS Parents 2027/2028

Monday 7th December 2026
2:00pm: Foundation Nativity Themed Christmas Production

Tuesday 8th December 2026
9:30am: Foundation Nativity Themed Christmas Production

Tuesday 8th December 2026
5:00pm: KS2 Carol Service at St Aldhelm's Church (families invited)

Wedesday 9th December 2026
9:30am: Preschool Nativity Event
2:00pm: Preschool Nativity Event

INSET Days 2026/2027

INSET Days
(school closed for children)

Friday 27th November 2026
Monday 4th January 2027
Thursday 25th March 2027

Prayerful Reflection – 4th November 2026

This week, we have taken time to reflect on Loyalty and Kindness. On Monday, we introduced our theme for the week, sharing the story of Ruth and Naomi from Ruth 1-2. Through this inspiring story, the children explored how Ruth showed loyalty, love and devotion by staying with Naomi and supporting her during a difficult time, even when it meant leaving her own home and travelling to a foreign land.

In their Wednesday class worship, the children engaged in thoughtful discussions about what kindness and loyalty look like in our school community. They reflected on the importance of being a good friend, standing by others when they need support, and welcoming those who may feel lonely or unsure. The children considered how simple acts of kindness can make a positive difference and help others feel valued, included and cared for.

Ruth 1:16: "Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God."

Prayer for this week:

Dear God,
Thank You for the story of Ruth, who showed loyalty, love and kindness to Naomi. Help us to be good friends who stand by others, especially when they need support. Give us hearts that are caring, welcoming, and willing to help those around us.
May our words and actions make a positive difference to others each day.
Amen.



Come and join us for a family worship here at Bishop Aldhelm's on Sunday 15th November at 5:00pm

Leadership Update

As shared prior to half term, Mr Tait will continue to support Hampreston First School as Acting Headteacher throughout this half term, alongside his ongoing role at Bishop Aldhelm's. This arrangement reflects the strong leadership capacity across our school and provides an opportunity to support another local school while maintaining the high standards and strategic direction that our community expects.

We are also delighted to share that Miss Sharpe has now begun her maternity leave. We know that families will join us in wishing her every happiness as she prepares to welcome her new arrival. We look forward to hearing her news and welcoming her back to the Bishop Aldhelm's family in the future.

To further strengthen leadership capacity during this period, we have appointed Miss Samuel and Mr Lodge as Interim Assistant Headteachers. Both will continue in their existing teaching roles and retain full responsibility for their respective classes, ensuring continuity and stability for pupils. In addition, they will now take on wider leadership responsibilities as part of the Headship Team, contributing to the strategic development of the school and supporting key areas of school improvement.

These appointments reflect the exceptional talent, commitment and expertise that exists within our staff team. They demonstrate the strength and depth of leadership at Bishop Aldhelm's and our commitment to developing future leaders from within our own school community.

We are fortunate to have such a dedicated and highly skilled team, and I am confident that these arrangements will continue to support the excellent education and care provided to all of our children.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

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