

#### ALFRETON PARK COMMUNITY SPECIAL SCHOOL WE'RE CARING, WE'RE BRAVE, WE AIM HIGH

## WEEKLY NEWS LETTER

#### Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2022

### Proud moments:

#### Acorn

Acorn have had an amazing week. We have enjoyed another beautiful Forest Schools session all about different cones, we have had a focus on friendship and sharing this week and everyone particularly enjoyed our teddy bear picnic tray in maths, where we had to share out the food between all the teddy bears and our friends. We also loved practising our turn-taking in our Attention Autism bucket session. Well done to:

Reggie for making great progression at holding his fork at dinner times

Akayla for sitting beautifully during communication time

Maggie for communicating that she wanted a strawberry in cookery

Carson for fabulous engagement during Forest Schools

Otis for transitioning around school happily

George for using his initiative to use small stones to make a shaker in Forest Schools

Shey for making everyone smile with his cheeky sense of humour

Eli for approaching staff members and his peers more frequently

Davids for fantastic imaginative play with tools

Samuel for identifying a picture of himself and some familiar peers in PSHE

Kohan for taking an adult to the fridge and pointing to the 'Drink' symbol when he wanted a drink.

#### Apple

Sam for following instructions during write dance, forming different marks in the shaving foam. Riley for a great physio swim, word hard on all his exercises

Teddy for engaging in write dance, copying the movements after an adult in the shaving foam to make different marks.

Joshua for a great PE lesson, great listening and balancing skills.

Lola for trying hard to self-propel her wheelchair all week.

Nevaeh for exploring foods with her hands and putting a potato puff to her mouth

Haydn for great balancing skills in PE and trying out the different equipment when he was unsure.

Ellie for great reading, she read everyone's name in class.

Katie for being independent in the dinner hall, taking her pots and collecting her own pudding.

## Willow

AM - following instructions beautifully and walking around school independently.

JH - settled beautifully into new class communicating and engaging really well.

WS - using symbols to request activities, or movement breaks.

OG - counting from 1-10 and backwards.

- AD exploring free flow activities independently.
- LC following instructions first time.
- TD choosing pictures when he would like a movement break.
- JB listening to adults first time.

#### Beech

We've recognised pictures of our family and had lots of fun with water and glitter. We've loved our work about wonky donkey and learning to take turns with a friend and an adult.

#### Ash

Miley for some fabulous phonic work and remembering the meaning of 'special friends'.

Sophie for being the quickest letter finder on our treasure hunt around school.

Kenny for working so hard and finding several numbers in the environment.

Oscar for showing off his wonderful coordination skills in PE when throwing.

Paddy for great painting during our art session.



Parker for some super matching skills when looking at symbols & real objects.

Will for working so hard during phonics and his letter formation.

Llan for recognising that a penny was the smallest coin in his collection.

George for excellent science work on the senses and body parts.

Reece for his great bingo skills & matching.

Joshua for creating his hand print during science.

Ilyess for working so hard during our role play shop & cafe activity.

#### Juniper

BT for being thoughtful and asking your peers and class staff how they are feeling and what they have been doing.

EC for getting really involved in Forest school and trying lots of activities.

JH for great focus and attention in cookery, well done you are Juniper class star of the week.

LR for working really hard in Art this week.

MS for great talking on your communication device and using this to make choices.

SJ for great work on learning new words in English.

SF for being a kind friend in circle time.

SA for a positive attitude to everything in school.

#### Sycamore

Elian for brilliant following instructions to draw a character.

Billy for great work in RSE and beautifully helping his friend to spell his name.

Harvey for fabulous work in horticulture, especially cutting the snack with the method we had practised in cookery.

MH for playing so well with friends, taking turns and listening.

BW for great work with a friend in Thrive time to make Minecraft blocks.

Sarah for brilliant independent work in cookery demonstrating the bridge method of cutting.

Chelsea for brilliant work in Orchestra following a new coloured score.

Faith for great engagement with Open the book.

Harry for trying really hard to meet his ILP target and great standing in his standing frame after a while of not being able to use it.

Ruby for great thinking in RSE about what makes someone special and being able to list her special friends.

## Larch

Sarann independently followed a recipe during our Cookery lesson and wowed us with her chopping skills.

Chloe had a great first swim session and she has had plenty of exercise this week!

Gracie had a great first swim session, she swam without a float!

Rosie was brilliant at using the column method to solve subtraction problems.

Lewis made progress on his ILP targets.

Peter was brilliant at using the column method to solve subtraction problems.

Jake has made progress in following instructions from different adults in school.

Lucas worked hard on writing a description of a fairy house.

Brogan made a great effort in his spellings this week.

Alfie used his great imagination during literacy.

William independently decoded our maths morning challenge and he has had a positive attitude all week.

Daniel demonstrated his resilience in maths, he persevered through challenging problems.

## Blossom

Asher- You did some great looking during our attention autism session.

Ivy - You had a great pool session on Tuesday.

JAE- For lovely smiles and giggles when we did our sensory story.



Killian- Lovely smiling and interacting during our attention autism session. Kaitlyn- For giving us lovely smiles and laughs during our sensory sessions. Zuzanna- For coming back so well after having time off. Blossoms star of the week is: Zuzanna for a great start back after having time off.

## Holly

Courtney has been working really hard in enterprise, decorating and organising the boxes to sell our home-grown vegetables.

Jonathan has been using his outdoor swing and was signing for more.

Duncan has been finding his way around school, he found his way to the dinner hall and back to class.

Faith has had good communication through talking to adults, telling them what she wants.

Frankie has been coming into class and taking part in lessons with her peers.

Amie sowed some seeds of basil in horticulture.

Rebecca for remembering when back at school the first shop she went in when out in the community. Lara for good listening at work experience on the farm.

## Cherry

Jake had a fantastic Sherborne session following instructions.

Kian led his friends in PE.

Ashleigh and Cally wowed Katy with their phonics!

Sara has been fantastic at work experience.

Lewis for giving "big dog" lots of strokes and playing ball.

Leo for clearing away his things as soon as he was asked.

George found his way to the toilet both at school and at home.

## Oak

Jaydon, Ryan, Codie, B and Logan for an enthusiastic first swim back at the leisure centre.

Rubie and Billy for creating an order form for Oak's enterprise project.

Hannah for her growing confidence in the community.

Kevin for great suggestions and ideas for Oak's enterprise project.

Jamie, Jake and Kye for using the laptops to research sculptures as part of the Arts award.

Jake and Charlie for supporting a different class in cookery.

## Hazel

Hazel Class are incredibly proud of everyone this week for working hard towards their ILP targets. We also really enjoyed the production of The Railway Children this morning!

Special mentions go to: AN for navigating the communication app on the iPad; LS for using a communication book to make his needs known; and DE for working really hard during numeracy and using symbols to let staff know when he had finished.

Have a lovely weekend everyone 😊

## How can you help?



# School Flu Vaccinations 2022

To complete the consent form for your child to receive the flu vaccination, click the link below. One form for each child.

https://www.derbyshireandcityimms.co.uk/Forms/Flu

School name: Alfreton Park Community Special School School code: DD113040 Date in school: 26 September 2022

Flu Information Leaflet

Repton: 01283 707178 Clay Cross: 01246 252953 <u>DCHST.immunisationteam@nhs.net</u> www.derbyshirefamilyhealthservice.nhs.uk

Dates to remember:

Flu Vaccinations in school- Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022 (see above post) Sleep Workshop with Mel Alexander- Wed 28<sup>th</sup> Sept 10-11am (in school) Friends Coffee Morning- Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Sept 10-11am (in school) Harvest Festival Primary- Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Oct- 2pm Parents welcome (*more info to follow*) Harvest Festival Secondary-Tues 18<sup>th</sup> Oct- 2pm Parents welcome (*more info to follow*) Pupils break up for Oct half- Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Oct 2022 Pupils return to school- Mon 31<sup>st</sup> Oct 2022 Christmas Fayre- Tues 6<sup>th</sup> Dec 2022 Pupils break up for Christmas- Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec 2022 INSET day- Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023 Pupils return to school- Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023