

ALFRETON PARK COMMUNITY SPECIAL SCHOOL

WE'RE CARING, WE'RE BRAVE, WE AIM HIGH

WEEKLY NEWS LETTER

Friday 4th November 2022

Proud moments:

Acorn

Acorn have had a fabulous start to the term. Everyone had lots of fun dancing with their friends at the Halloween disco and have spent all week getting stuck into lots of different Halloween-themed activities.

Here are our individual proud moments:

Reggie-For walking beautifully down to swimming.

Akayla- For expressing great confidence skills and making her own choices at snack times.

Maggie- For using symbols to tell an adult when she needed to go to the toilet.

Otis- For initiating interactions with adults in class.

George- For using communication boards with his talking and being able to use a full sentence to request his snack.

Shey-For excellent signing and speaking during circle time.

Eli- For being caring and checking on his friend when they were sad.

Davids- For great perseverance in the music room, and trying to work out how to use a new instrument.

Samuel- For fantastic listening and going straight to the circle when asked too for circle time. **Kohan-** For doing lots of talking, especially when requesting things at playtimes.

Apple

Ellie- For great clear communication all week with her peers and staff.

Reggie- For great work in Maths and recognising 2D shapes.

Lavinia- For engaging one to one with a peer.

Lola- For working hard on her MOVE targets and exercises during PE.

Nevaeh- For using her communication correctly during circle time to answer questions.

Riley- For great head support during swimming, holding his head for 5 minutes.

Joshua- For great work in Maths recognising all 2D shapes.

Sam- For interacting one to one with a peer.

Teddy C- For good sitting and engagement during music session.

Haydn- For great listening, sitting and engagement during star assembly.

Katie- For great listening and following dance movements in PE.

Willow

WS- For signing well in school and at home.

JH- For engaging in activities so beautifully.

LC – For engaging in sensory play willingly.

AM- For using the climbing equipment independently to self-regulate.

JB – For participating in write, dance beautifully- following instructions and repeating actions independently.

OG- By mark making and following lines independently.

TD- For listening to new boundaries well.

AD- For exploring objects independently and using positive looking techniques.



Beech

Beech class have been amazing this week! They have all been engaging with our story of "whatever next", having a tea party on the moon and all of them experiencing light and dark in the tent. Shout out to **CB** for sitting so patiently throughout dinner while everyone else finished theirs and to **DR** for using his fork.

Ash

Will- For an amazing improvement with his sounds for reading & writing.
Parker- For joining in with our class assembly & sitting so beautifully throughout.
Paddy- For wonderful chopping & peeling during cookery.
Kenny- For fabulous firework painting during Art.
Ilyess- For great walking & road safety during the community visit.
Sophie- For creating & sequencing some wonderful body shapes during PE.
Oscar- For amazing orienteering around the park.
Llan- For joining in so well with the Halloween activities and disco.
George- For being so active and engaged during the orienteering.
Josh- For some brilliant 2D shape work.
Reece- For remembering what he made in cookery and recalling information.

Juniper

Ben- For great independent work in Art and printing spiders pictures.

Edward- For moving independently around the hall in his rabbit, during PE. **Jack-** For stepping over obstacles in PE.

Logan- For starting to use his rabbit again and moving independently.

Monty- For lovely turn taking with a peer at free time.

Samuel- For communicating his needs throughout the day.

Seb- For kicking his legs for lots of lengths in the pool.

Spencer- For two brilliant swimming sessions this week.

Sycamore

Faith- For being amazing at orienteering.

Chelsea- For great work in Maths's drawing shapes.

B- For wonderful work on shapes, especially drawing in Maths.

Billy- For a great sentence and picture about the Funny bones story and his thinking about differences with shapes.

Elian- For brilliant volume control in singing,

Max- For a fabulous first day at work experience.

Ruby- For fantastic teamwork in orienteering.

Sarah -For being awesome in orchestra and being really confident wearing no ear defenders and exploring the room.

Harry- For trying really hard to work on his speech in class.

Harvey- For super work in Maths, recognising shapes and thinking of reasons why shapes are different.



Larch

AH- For working really hard in RSHE and understanding how to keep yourself safe online.

BD-For making the longest word in the daily challenge - 7 letters!

LK- For having great knowledge in History and being really enthusiastic with his learning about Vikings.

CD- For cleaning her teeth without being told.

JA- For being able to identify where the Vikings originated from and locating them on a map (Norway & Denmark).

SP- For some great teamwork and team building during orienteering.

RD- For great persevering and a 'can do' attitude in orienteering.

WD- For an amazing swimming lesson, including putting his head under the water for the first time.

LW- For great co-ordination and reading of the map in orienteering.

DBR-For fantastic map reading and teamwork in orienteering.

PG- For being fantastic in helping his friends around the course in orienteering.

GK- For participating in RSHE learning about how we keep ourselves safe online.

Blossom

RB- For tolerating his standing frame!

KR- Has done some great free walking this week.

KJ- For his great standing.

IS- For great standing to sit work.

ZP- For great standing and walking in walking frame.

AW- For coming in after being off poorly and smashing his ILPs!

JAE- For his great work in his stander.

Holly

Amie – For being independent with feeding herself at dinner and self-propelling back from the dinner hall.

Jonathan – For feeding himself at dinner.

Frankie – Has had a lovely start to the term going to work experience and engaging so well at the farm.

Faith – Has been self-regulating and not running off and sitting better in class.

Lara – Has been playing really well with Larch class at dinner time play.

Duncan – For asking for help with his dinner and coat.

Rebecca - Has been so polite and helped support her friends when they were upset.

Courtney – Engaged really within literacy identifying the key features of a magazine.

Cherry

Leo- For having a great first week back and great swimming session.

Kian- Had a great swim session.

Lewis- Has been brilliant at answering the phone and passing on messages.

Sara- Encouraged her friends in forest school and asked the class next door for the fob.

Ashleigh- Has been brilliant doing lots of lengths in the swimming pool.

George- Found his way back from the dinner hall.

Cally- Did a brilliant job at cooking during cherry cafe.

Jessie- Has worked really well with her friends especially in literacy

Jake- For making staff laugh a lot this week!



Oak

B, **Kye** and **Ryan** for amazing progression in their swimming sessions at the leisure centre. **Kevin** and **J** for a great attitude towards their first work experience day and for a positive attitude. **Jake** and **Logan** for working so hard at the library at work experience.

Hannah & Kye for great team work and communication skills at their work experience placement. Charlie for his confidence when collecting orders from staff for the enterprise project.

Codie, Rubie and Billy for working as a team in the orienteering event.

Hazel

Hazel Class have had a lovely return to school this week and we have especially enjoyed Forest School making a return to our timetable!

We are especially proud of **TO** – our star of the week, for his engagement with physio exercises and creative activities.

Also, special mentions go to **AN**, for her engagement during sensory circuits (she amazed us all with her throwing skills), and both **SH** and **JM**, for their engagement during music sessions.

How can you help?

We are looking for donations of Terry's chocolate oranges- please send to the school office 😊



Dates to remember:



Elf Day- Fri 2nd Dec 2022 (pupils are invited to dress as an elf- no donation required)



Christmas Fayre- Tues 6th Dec 2022 Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day- Wed 14th Dec 2022 Pupils break up for Christmas- Thurs 22nd Dec 2022 INSET day- Mon 9th Jan 2023 Pupils return to school- Tues 10th Jan 2023