



WEEKLY NEWS LETTER

Friday 19th September 2025

Proud moments:

Acorn

What a fantastic start to the year we have had in Acorns, everyone has settled in beautifully. Shout outs to:

Freddie for coming over to the circle independently to join in with Attention Autism

Poppy W for super exploration of the Forest Schools area

Mia for coming over to the circle when she heard the tidy up song

Oscar for using lots of different words related to the activity we were doing

T for fantastic work in Maths, counting out different objects

P for super role play, pretending to eat the foods in the small world kitchen

Brooklyn for being a superstar at swimming, with a big grin on her face the whole time

Rosie for great persistence, stepping over the hurdles in PE

Lexi for playing beautiful games of chase with her peers

Calvin for a brilliant first swim session, he was such a happy boy exploring the whole pool

Well done Acorn class!

Apple

Reggie for saying the word apple!

Carson for amazing work in phonics and saying the 'a' sound.

Harry for fantastic work during PE, smiling and laughing through the whole session!

O for having a lovely swimming session.

Yanis for being caring to his friend in class

George Henri and Teddy C for playing with a car and ball rolling them to each other.

Harrison for great effort during swimming.

Theo for working so hard in cooking.

Maple

Avis has been following our circle time routines really well this week.

Violet showed lovely engagement in the objects we were matching in Maths this week.

Phoebe fantastic Maths and English work this week, repeating the key words as the adult said them.

Bradley used his communication iPad well in Maths to say the name of the objects we were matching.

M engaged beautifully in our Forest Schools session - loving the painting station!

Calvin loved exploring the water tray in Forest School.

J has been listening well to adults during circle time.

Oliver has demonstrated his super matching skills in Maths this week.

Sammy thoroughly enjoyed being out in our Forest School area, exploring the space and smiling throughout!

Olek has had a lovely first day in Maple Class.

Willow

HP - amazing phonics independently writing the letter A.

WH - repeating words beginning with A

ZM - great engagement with sounds in phonics

JB - great initiation of communication with peers

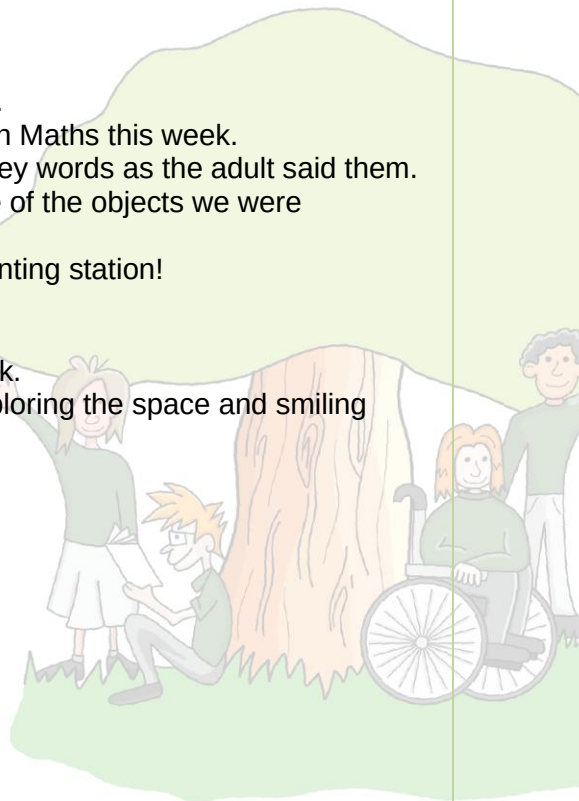
AB - great engagement in cookery, helping to mix

AM- great first day in willow class.

ES- great work in cookery

EK - For great self-regulation in class

SC - For great phonics work repeating sounds beginning with A.





Beech

Niamh - sitting and engaging for the whole of morning songs
J - fantastic spelling during phonics
Reggie B - describing characters from the story using adjectives
Reggie R - using lots of new words in context
David's - transition around school beautifully
Tommy - describing his family beautifully during stage four of attention autism
Samuel - fantastic engagement during attention autism
Ben - repeating new story words in context throughout the day
Lavinia - settling into beech class beautifully
Leo - Learning to control emotions whilst others take turns

Ash

KJW - Independently dragging and clicking and following instructions after circle demonstration.
SH - Wonderful dragging and clicking independently during computing.
EH - Accessing circle time beautifully and beautiful transitions during something new this week.
AB - Lovely communication skills during communication time.
PO - Settled in beautifully this week - well done!
ES - Fantastic engagement during Attention Autism and RSHE this week.
GF - Amazing engagement during Attention Autism and working on families.
MK - Beautiful engagement and work in our RSHE session.
SH - Lovely choice making when wanting to spend some time in the reading corner.
Well done Ash class!

Juniper

Juniper have had a great week this week! We're really starting to settle into our new routine and access lots of lovely lessons.
Charlie- Beautiful interactions with staff during our music session and lovely talking during our attention autism session.
Daniel- Amazing work in his physio sessions, keep up the great work.
L- Fantastic work in music clapping and tapping your legs to the beat!
Nevaeh- Brilliant work in phonics keep up the great work.
Octavia- For brilliant focus and interaction during our attention autism session.
O- So proud of you, you were awarded with a brave sticker this week, well done!
Riley- Well done during your standing frame appointment you did so well!
Reece- Brilliant work in PE holding a pose when staff prompted you.
Skye- For showing good listening skills and following staff instructions.
Teddy- Great work in recognising your family and being able to identify who is who.
Thomas- For great listening during our RE session.

Sycamore

Harrison- for playing a tricky matching-pairs game in maths.
Josh- for beautiful singing during circle time.
K- for listening to what adults have said and for good waiting.
Lucian- For spending lots of time engaged in class.
Oliver- for listening to and following instructions during cookery.
William- for super engagement in mark making and jigsaw puzzle solving.

Larch

CD- fantastic appraising of landscape art.
EBM- Amazing horse riding.
FB- Brilliant effort in maths.
GK- Fantastic first week at work experience.
HLW- Amazing note taking about the stone age during history.





ALFRETON PARK SCHOOL

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HT- Brilliant horse riding.
JH- Excellent participation in RSHE learning about the affects of alcohol.
LK- Great place value work.
LP- amazing recollection of Skara Brae in history.
LR- fantastic helping out during lunchtime.
M- Great researching and note taking in history.
PL- fantastic persuasive writing in English.
RH- Fabulous hockey skills in PE.
SB- amazing input in English and had some great ideas.
SP- For being so caring and helping her peers during the fire alarm.
WD- Great control of the hockey stick during PE.

Blossom

Blossom class have had a great week with lots to be proud of.
RW- for joining in well with our sensology session and exploring a range of textures with your hands.
R- for great sitting on the peanut ball.
KJ- for making choices between toys during our understanding the world session.
AJ- for showing confidence in your standing frame, spending more time in it each day.
PR- for amazing understanding of cause and effect, moving your arms in the sensory room to use the interactive wall.
J- for great stretching of your arms to explore textures in our sensology session, especially enjoying the rice and shaving foam.
IS- for showing recognition of our daily songs by smiling and moving your body.

Cherry

Logan for gaining confidence and independence in school
Ed for good matching in Forest school
Harry for a great physio swim
Ella for great participation in Forest school
Ben for amazing matching skills in maths and working hard all week
Seb for great communication with his talker
Sarah for trying hard in horse riding
Samuel for gaining confidence with unfamiliar staff
Billy for a brilliant cookery lesson
Chelsea for great horse riding

Holly

Lewis O: Fantastic at following instructions for the first time at Alfreton Library on work experience.
A: Amazing at following instructions at Matlock Farm Park work experience.
Daniel E: Using his own symbols/ communication board to tell staff he was going swimming!
T: Swimming superstar!!!!!!
Max: Washing up the class pots when Snack Champion and being amazing at the Leisure Centre.
Leo: Amazing horse-riding and being very helpful in class.
Lewis B: Great work with zones of regulation and recognising and identifying different emotions and facial expressions.
F: Coming in to work with Matt in the garden and saying hello to his classmates!
Sharissa: Amazing engagement in an Attention Autism session.
Liam: Making good choices during a task on likes/ dislikes and engaging in Attention Autism.
Kian: Always trying hard, doing his best and improving in confidence every day!
Frankie: Going out to the café with a classmate and using money to buy a drink!
Sara Z: Having a very successful day at her work experience placement and displaying our school values every day.





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Oak

Alfie for some great independent work, ordering his own drink/snack and calculating the required total in the process!

Logan for an excellent induction at the leisure centre gym - listening and engaging really well!

B., for a great first session at work experience - learning lots of new and important skills!

Connor for some excellent work in our first Jacket Potato Enterprise session! Following instructions really well and completing numerous jobs!

Elian for some excellent work in the kitchen

Peter for an excellent induction at the gym - being willing to listen, engage with an introduction to the equipment!

Ruby for helping her new peers at work experience and during our ICT session!

Ellie for a great first week at her work experience placement! Engaging really well!

Dan for as ever being a superstar in Oak class, engaging in everything superbly well!

Billy for some excellent work in the kitchen, taking responsibility to help organise and efficiently as an experienced Jacket Potato member!

Hazel

James – Interacting with the whiteboard in computing and coming out of his shell more.

Madison – Sitting with the rest of the class and eating breakfast with her peers.

Haydn – Helping members of staff with different jobs around the school.

Amber – Being kind and caring towards her friends.

Ellie – Amazing signing all week long.

Ruby – Being caring towards a friend who was upset by trying to cheer them up.

Jack – Beautiful sitting at dinner times with peers.

Monty – Copying the sign for sunny when asked what the weather was like outside.

Lola – Interacting and playing games with peers on the whiteboard.

Spencer – Interacting with different activities in forest school with a peer.

How can you help?

Dates to remember:

Mon 29th Sept- Flu vaccinations in schools

Fri 10th Oct- Hello Yellow Day- Pupils are invited to wear yellow or something that makes them happy.

Thurs 23rd and Fri 24th Oct- INSET Days- school closed to pupils

Mon 27th Oct to Fri 31st Oct- Half Term- school closed to pupils

Mon 22nd Dec- Fri 2nd Jan 26- Christmas Holidays- school closed to pupils

Mon 5th Jan 26- INSET Day- school closed to pupils

