

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

WEEKLY NEWS LETTER

Friday 26th September 2025

Proud moments:

Acorn

It's been another brilliant week in Acorns. Shout outs to:

Poppy W for brilliant communication, saying 'Acorn Class' when she had finished her dinner Mia for super exploration of the water play in Forest Schools

Oscar for great interaction with our loose parts area, sorting and combining the objects in lots of different ways

T for being caring, looking after the dolls in class

P for fantastic listening to simple verbal instructions from the adults

Brooklyn for fantastic painting in our English session

Rosie for super communication, waving her hand towards an adult when she wanted help opening a packet

Lexi for her creativity during Music, making sounds related to different types of weather

Calvin for settling into class routines. He's started coming over to the circle when he hears the tidy up song

Bradley for seeking out interactions with the adults in class, reaching out to them Well done Acorn class!

Apple

Yanis for being brave in PE to explore new parts and jumping off the bench

Teddy C for lovely singing of our new song in music

Henri excellent communicating for the toilet

Reggie and George for beautiful work in art.

L tolerating new load noises in class

Harry standing up for bubbles

Harrison and Carson for great swimming.

Theo for sitting so well through assembly.

Maple

Avis - beautiful sitting in our assemblies this week.

Violet - settling in well this week with the new routines in Maple Class.

Phoebe - tidying her animals away without being asked when she saw Matt was here to take her to Horticulture.

Bradley - using his communication iPad well during focus work activities to find and spell key words e.g. members of family in English.

Mason - is settling into circle time routines more this week.

Calvin - played with the cars with an adult, putting them on the floor then picking them up and putting them on the table, looking to the adult to prompt them counting the cars.

J - pointed towards the toilet symbol on the door to communicate his needs.

Oliver - said 'well done' after an adult had said it earlier in the activity.

Sammy - being brave, climbing down from the climbing frame independently when he looked a bit worried at first.

Olek - has adapted to the new routines in Maple Class so well this week!

Willow

Will - for great dressing up and exploring the dress up area independently

Eli - wrote the letter S in phonics

Zion - doing good gardening

Jarred- for being so kind to staff and students

A - great exploring of food and textures in cookery

Elliot - for great sitting in circle time



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Sam - for great talking this week

Ardian - really nice signing and a great first week in willow

Beech

J - amazing phonics work segmenting words and blending

Leo - creating amazing friendships with peers

Tommy - Remembering knowledge from school and talking to parents about what he has learnt

Reggie B - using new words in context

Reggie R - singing during morning songs

Lavinia - using kind hands during peer interactions

Ben - engaging in all four stages of attention autism

Niamh - signing and verbally communicating wants and needs

David's - processing and understanding changes

Samuel - taking turns on the bike beautifully

Ash

ES - Beautiful interactions with both staff and peers in class - well done!

EH - Sharing your amazing singing voice with the entire playground at lunchtime! It was such an amazing play time!

AB - For sharing reading times with lots of different individuals and engaging so well during these times.

SK - Lovely signing of 'more' and 'finished' when participating in different activities - brilliant!

KJW - Lovely joining in with dancing break and rhyme time songs - we love your voice and moves!

MK - Beautiful asking and using your voice when making a request.

OC - Lovely interactions with both staff and peers when playing tennis at lunch times and playtimes.

PO - For using polite manners throughout the week - without prompting!

WR - For designing a brilliant game during our art session.

GF - Lovely engagement and following instructions during our PE session this week - great work!

Juniper

Juniper have had another great week this week, they have enjoyed being in the horticulture area support Matt tending to the plants and fruits or should I say eating them. We've had great phonics lessons, pupils trying to say the sound and matching the sound. We have enjoy getting ready for learning

Charlie- Lovely interaction with staff during attention autism

Daniel- Fantastic work in the pool this week keep up all the great work.

L- Great work during our attention autism session getting all the way to the end! Well done!

Octavia- For brilliant focus during our attention autism session.

O- For lovely work during our art session.

Riley and Reece- For brilliant work in phonics, you've tried really hard this week and its clear to see. Well done.

Skye- For lovely interaction with staff, you've had new staff this year and you are building lovely relationship with them.

Teddy- For brilliant work in our music session, using staffs' hands to clap and attempting to say your name.

Thomas- For great work in horticulture turning the soil so the planter is ready for the winter.

Sycamore

K- amazing following instructions in cooking to make a smoothie

OG- Following instructions when going to the hall for lunch

JH - amazing following instructions in cooking to make a smoothie

William - super signing to tell us what he needs

Harrison- Art and design, making a hat, suitcase and phone for a toy

L- accepting a toothbrushing experience game with an adult



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Larch

CD- Fantastic effort in music.

EBM- Amazing trotting at horse riding.

FB- Outstanding place value work in maths.

GK- Amazing hard work at the farm during work experience.

HLW- Fantastic recall of the news, on News Round.

HT- Amazing progress in swimming.

JH- Excellent writing in English.

LK- Fantastic swimming and amazing effort and dedication to complete 60 lengths.

LP- Amazing confidence when jumping in the deep end at swimming.

LR- Fantastic hard work in the deer shack.

M- Great question asking during the garden centre trip.

PL- Amazing work in history, recalling all the facts about the stone age.

RH- Amazing participation in music, working on our harvest festival song.

SB- Fantastic hard work in the deer shack.

SP- Outstanding backstroke during swimming.

WD- Amazing place value work in maths.

Elm

Kenny - Great engagement in lessons with again great recall of knowledge from previous learning.

George - Showing a kind and caring attitude - "checking in " with people to see if they are ok.

Llan- Working really hard on letter direction and correcting himself.

Billy - Doing extra work and being proud of himself, which makes us extra proud.

Ilyess - Asking others to play and being positive.

Jorge- Expressing himself clearly in phonics.

Kaiden- Asking questions of others and getting to know staff and children

Rupert - Listening really well in Maths, super recall from previous sessions and always working hard.

Theo - Showing his super reading skills in phonics/reading.

Bertie - Expressing himself and responding to questions.

Will - Enjoying drawing and adding great details

Jacob - Playing and making new friends

Cleighton - Bonding with the Elm class and playing positively.

Archie - A great positive attitude to reading, showing genuine love of books.

Reece - Showing positive attitude to phonics this week.

Blossom

Blossom class have had a great week with lots to be proud of.

RW- for sharing activities with your peers.

RB- for great work turning your head to explore smells in Sensology.

KJ- for great work independently moving your stander.

AJ- for showing us more of your cheeky personality and giggles throughout sessions this week.

PR and JAE- for great work in MATP, pushing balls down ramps and off stands.

IS- for some beautiful independent sitting on the peanut ball.

Cherry

Logan for amazing walking in his pacer

Ed for brilliant identification of words whilst reading

Billy for brilliant creativity in inventing a story to go with a comic strip

Harry for working really hard to create our class scarecrow

Ben for great perseverance during swimming

Seb for amazing matching in maths

Ella for a great physio session on the rebound trampoline

Sarah for showing confidence in making choices in the school council

Samuel for amazing memory recall of his weekly routine



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Chelsea for super matching during maths

Holly

Dan E: Selecting the correct emotion when asked to pick from symbols. Also, a great community visit with two class friends

Frankie L: Working at the Deer Shack!

TW: Excellent TacPac session and being our star of the week!

Max H: Being elected class ambassador!

Lewis B: Being elected class councillor and listening well during swimming lesson.

LO: Fab community visit and 1:1 swimming lesson! Leo: Horse riding and being kind and caring all week!

Sharissa: Dance in the hall-busting a move! AN: A fab art lesson, being very creative

Kian B: Brilliant community visit-ordering his teacake in the café! Liam S: Really enjoying the Tac Pac session and engaging well

Oak

Alfie for using his previous experience to support a peer with a variety of jobs during their first time at Work Experience.

Peter for showing great community participation skills by calculating the total cost of our shopping, and then correctly selecting the appropriate amount to hand the cashier.

Ellie for showing great recall skills to locate a number of items during our community visit!

Dan for excellent work during our cooking slot, constantly supporting to develop so many new and important skills!

Ruby for showing great perseverance and leadership skills when taking part in a group challenge during our Maths session.

Connor for some excellent work during our Independent Living session, learning about buses, and reading bus timetables.

Billy for developing his skills of setting and using a microwave!

B., for some excellent work on personal care skills throughout this week, recognising this slot on the timetable and then actively engaging with it.

Logan for some excellent focus and engagement during our Independent Living session, learning all about buses and reading bus timetables!

Hazel

Amber – For starting to play with other pupils in the class and engaging in more activities.

James – For engaging in all of the activities in forest school while playing alongside another pupil.

Madison – For being able to regulate herself when it becomes noisy in the classroom.

Haydn – For having a lovely time in art helping his friends to make our harvest festival scarecrow.

Monty – For communicating what he wants more often such as at snack time and when wanting

Spencer – For making all of his friends laugh when everyone needed a laugh.

Lola – For doing great independent swimming this week.

Jack – For lovely engagement in a turn taking matching activity on the board with peers.

Ellie – For being brave.

Ruby – For dealing with different situations in class.

How can you help?



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Dates to remember:

Mon 29th Sept- Flu vaccinations in schools

Thurs 2nd Oct- Mel Clarke- Paralympic archer visiting school.

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

Wed 10th Dec- Whole school Christmas dinner & jumper day

Tues 16th Dec- 1.30-3pm- 'Friends of Alfreton Park' Christmas Fayre in school sports hall

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

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

