

ALFRETON PARK SCHOOL

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

WEEKLY NEWS LETTER

Friday 3rd October 2025

Proud moments:

Acorn

We've had another busy week in Acorns. Shout outs to:

Poppy W for fantastic transitions around school

Mia for showing lots of persistence when trying to throw the ball into the basketball hoop in PE Oscar for super concentration in Attention Autism, looking at the items that he enjoyed and showing that he wanted more

T for brilliant 1:1 reading, reading the story and answering simple questions about the story P for great anticipation skills in English, helping to wrap and unwrap the 'gifts' in the sensory tray Brooklyn for fantastic exploration of our messy play trays

Rosie for settling into class routines well, responding to objects and songs of references for what is coming next in the day

Lexi for super concentration, colour sorting all the blocks in Maths

Calvin for fantastic exploration of the Forest Schools area, going to all the different areas to find things that interested him

Bradley for an amazing first swim

Well done Acorn class!

Maple

Avis went to the door and touched different symbols to communicate what she wants. Violet has had some lovely interactions with staff this week, smiling and giggling with them.

Phoebe has been so helpful this week, helping to collect water bottles and put chairs around the tables for snack time.

Mason had such a calm and relaxed time in the hammock in Forest School.

Calvin joined in with clapping to the beat in Music with an adult, he clapped the adult's hand whilst the song played.

J has been working on using his fork more independently at dinner time.

Oliver excellent archery skills when trying it out with Paralympian. Mel Clarke.

Sammy had a lovely time at the park, exploring and playing with peers.

Olek enjoyed his time in Forest School this week, making a leaf crown with Lesley.

Beech

J - understanding turn taking

Samuel - engaging in all four stages of attention autism

Tommy - amazing physio swim building his confidence every day

Leo - staving in class for songs all week

Reggie B - caring for his friends on the playground when they fell over

Reggie R - engaging in all three stages of attention autism

David's - engaging in all activities beautifully

Niamh - using full sentences in a variety of contexts

Lavinia - sharing the swing with peers using kind hands

Ben - identifying story objects independently

Juniper

Juniper class have had a fantastic week this week with a visit from a Paralympian and taking part in national poetry day! We have also had great Maths and English lessons along with our great attention autism session too.

Charlie, Thomas, Daniel and O - Great focus and interactions in attention autism, keep up the great work.

Nevaeh, Riley, Octavia and L - Well done in trying archery with Mel Clarke, you all did so well!



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Skye and Teddy- Lovely eye contact when working with staff during our music sessions and working with staff to clap to the beat or to sound your name out.

Well done juniper class we are so proud of you!

Sycamore

K- For grown up decisions to help transitions

William- For beautiful engagement at forest school

Harrison-For beautiful reading and phonics

Joshua- For amazing focus cutting apple and finding seeds to plant

Oliver- For good confidence and listening to instructions in Archery

L- For asking to go to the toilet using a sentence

Larch

CD- Beautiful water colour painting.

HT- Great customer service skills at the deer shack.

RH- answered a question on intervals in maths.

LP- great goal shooting in hockey.

GK- amazing work at the farm.

JH- great participation in archery.

SB- fantastic effort in music.

M- Amazing phonics work and spelling.

LR- Fantastic participation in horticulture.

EBM- Great poetry!

FB- amazing landscaping in art.

LK- Great work at the deer shack.

PL- Great research in hill forts in history.

WD- Beautiful swimming

HLW- Being a great role model with his peers

SP- Fabulous poetry.

Elm

William B – Working independently having self-belief

Billy S - for brilliant shooting in Archery

Llan S – Great focus during English lesson

Reece L - Super engineering and building skills

Kenny H – For consistently showing care for friends

Bertie D – For great listening a responding to feelings questions in RE.

George R– Helping in class and showing care for others.

Ilyess K – Being brilliant and doing hard work all week.

Jorge N- Joining in scarecrow building showing great enthusiasm.

Archie W- for working hard on his pencil grip and writing

Cleighton W –For showing caring nature to younger pupils

Theo H – for great reading and comprehension skills

Rupert M- showing resilience in maths

Kaiden L – For consistently showing patience.

Jacob P – Being an excellent class helper.

Blossom

We have had a great week in Blossom class and there is lots to be proud of!

PR, TN, and RB for some great work in MATP pushing balls to knock down skittles.

AJ for working hard using the eye gaze screen for the first time.

JAE for spending time in his stander each day.

KJ for communicating choices by pointing at photos.

IS for great work using the interactive white board.







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RW for communicating choice by looking at photos, telling us you want to listen to music.

Oak

Alfie for delivering great customer service when serving and taking payments during Enterprise! Peter for some great engagement and listening skills during our Newstead Abbey trip! Ellie for some super work when working with a small group to make our hand-made bird feeders!

Dan for some excellent input and thinking during our Morning Challenge!

Ruby for some great work to support our project of creating bird feeders for the Harvest Festival! Connor for some great support and understanding when assisting at the Deer Shack!

Billy for great engagement and interest in our trip to Newstead Abbey to learn about Lord Byron as part of National Poetry Day!

B., for some great recall during our trip to Newstead Abbey, remembering key information as we toured the house!

Logan for some great work during our Independent Living skills session identifying patterns on bus timetables!

Elian for some excellent work during our RSHE session identifying features of a good friend and a bad friend.

Hazel

Madison – Joining in our RSHE lesson and making animal sounds in our role-playing session.

Amber – Exploring lots of activities in our English lesson, including designing her own house.

James – Sitting with our friends around the table and joining in with our RSHE activities.

Haydn – Being brave and having a go at something that he originally was not wanting to do.

Monty – Engaging in phonics and being able to identify all of the different pictures showed to him.

Ellie – Being caring and helping another pupil back to class.

Ruby – Engaging really well in our special assembly with a Paralympian and answering all of the questions.

Jack – Having a lovely time while reading a book with a member of staff, he was smiling the whole time.

Spencer – Identifying different pictures correctly in phonics when asked to find which was the word being said.

Lola – Encouraging her friends to join in activities.

How can you help?

Dates to remember:

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