

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

WEEKLY NEWS LETTER

Friday 28th November 2025

Proud moments:

Acorn

It's been a fabulous week in Acorns. Individual shout outs to:

Poppy W for lovely imagination, pretending to be lots of different characters from our dressing up box Mia for great work on her gross motor skills, moving around the MUGA in different ways

T for brilliant independence skills, tidying away from his snack without any adult prompts

P for lovely matching of pictures of different weather in our Understanding the World session

Brooklyn for joining in with some of the actions to our class songs with adult support with a big smile on her face

Rosie for fantastic work using her senses to explore resources in our Christmas Senseology Lexi for making different patterns and arrangements with the compare bears from our loose parts

Calvin for being caring and imitating cuddles with the adults

Bradley for super exploration of our texture sensory tray, feeling the different materials

Freddie for beautiful interactions with his peers, initiating a game of chase

Oscar for initiating hiding his face under the material, then pulling it down with the adult Well done Acorns!

Maple

Avis - super engagement in our colour mixing art session, requesting more.

Violet - joined in with rolling a large ball with an adult in PE and smiling throughout!

Phoebe - beautiful time in forest school, exploring the ice.

Bradley - super work in English, using his communication iPad to talk about our story - Ruby's Worry and the main character - Ruby.

Mason - sat beautifully throughout our whole school star assembly.

Calvin - always eager to join our circle for Attention Autism and loved Music this week.

J - lovely interactions and engagement with adult when playing with pop-up toy.

Oliver - sang along to our Attention Autism song and our Good Morning song.

Sammy - lovely exploration in forest school, watching the trees and playing with ice.

Ashton - communicated that he wanted his shoes on to go outside.

A - consistently making choices verbally in a range of contexts this week.

Willow

TD - for demonstrating great water confidence

HP - for demonstrating all 3 of AP values throughout the week

AM - for showing kindness to his friends

SC - for doing some great mark making

ZM - for great engagement in PE

JB - for demonstrating great listening skills

A - great walking around the community

ES - for great intensive interaction with staff

Beech

J - Using full sentences to communicate at all times

Tommy - Supporting peers when sad

Billy- looking after his peers in the playground

Reggie B - fantastic phonics work and making people laugh by tickling peers

Reggie R - beautiful singing during singing hands

David's - sharing toys beautifully with peers

Niamh - learning to share toys with peers

Ben - spelling 'on' with Paige during phonics









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Samuel - naming all teachers during attention autism

William - coming to the circle independently for morning songs, singing and signing and activities.

Lavinia - overall fantastic week, self regulating beautifully and amazing singing.

Ash

SK - Focus and engagement during our horticulture session this week. Playfully hiding behind a door, dressed up with gardening gloves on, and kept popping round and giving us a great big smile and jazz hands. You had the grown-ups and peers all in giggles with your wonderful sense of humour!

MK - A beautiful session at the park this week. Walking beautifully, listening to, and following instructions first time and taking turns with your peers so brilliantly. We're so proud of you!

EH - Using all peers names during interactions and turn taking games throughout week during time at the park and parachute games - well done!

ES - For responding so well to a friend asking if they could have a turn on the bike you were on, when they were feeling upset. You swapped the bike beautifully and listened so well. A lovely moment!

GF - A wonderful reading session at the Library in the local community - choosing a book and taking it to a member of staff to read with and engaging in each page so beautifully!

KJW - For trying so hard to take part in lots of physical movements with your friends - helping them by showing them your fantastic dance moves - amazing!

WR - Choosing your going home song when it was your turn and singing it so beautifully, whilst trying to follow along with all the makaton - just wonderful!

PO - Absolutely amazing engagement during our cookery session. You blew us away with how incredible engaged and focused you were through the entire session!

Juniper

Juniper class have had a great week this week. We've enjoyed our English session looking at the different characters in our story and how they were feeling during different parts of our story. In maths we have been working on in and our movements to dusty blue bells. We have been working hard on our ILPs and linking them into our lesson. We look forward to next week jet setter day!

Charlie- For great participation and staying in the hall for your dinner.

L-For great communication and working on your ILPs.

Nevaeh- Great work in PE, keep it up.

Octavia-Lovely talking with staff and brilliant work in your phonics! Keep it up.

O- Fantastic listening and making choices during lessons.

Riley- For a great swimming session and going in your standing frame.

Reece- For being sensible when going to and from the taxi

Skye- Great work in phonics, really looking at the photos and making a choice.

Thomas- For lovely turn taking in PE and kicking the ball to staff and peers.

Larch

SB- Amazing horse riding, amazing knowledge of how to hold the reins.

EBM- Amazing cookery skills.

CD- Lovely Spanish work!

WD- Fantastic work getting the cookery ingredients in Tesco.

JH- Great maths work!

RH- fabulous work in orchestra.

GK- Outstanding kindness to all of her peers.

LK- Amazing thought process regarding the real personality of Lady Macbeth, and for always thinking outside the box.

PL- Fantastic work in the deer shack, working hard to pack everything away.

M- Amazing work helping the midday supervisors to set up.

SP- Fantastic work in the bike shed.

LP- Amazing work collecting & paying for the cookery ingredients.

LR- Fantastic bravery when completing his gymnastics routine.



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HT- Amazing subtracting in 10's during maths.

HLW- Fantastic independent work, fixing a inner tube and tyre in the bike shed.

Elm

William B – Great enthusiasm during games of Boccia in PE.

Llan – Great work with Richard on the bikes

Reece L - For trying really hard in Maths

Kenny H- for showing resilience and great friendship

Bertie D – Responding to others and listening at table time

George R- For teaching his friends

Ilyess K - for listening well

Jorge N- For enthusiasm every day and lovely picture of his sister

Cleighton W– for really trying to listen and respond appropriately

Rupert Mc – For working really hard with his phonics and reading

Kaiden L – For showing great enthusiasm in the reading challenge.

Jacob P - For super writing about the character in English - well typed

Blossom

IS for great work pressing switches to say 'good morning', 'good afternoon', and 'goodbye'.

AJ for moving independently on the floor and rolling over.

KJ and RB for good work making choices of what they want to do from photos.

RW for communicating her preferences through facial expressions.

DR for good work moving across the floor to reach a sensory tray.

TN for lovely engagement in the library looking at books.

JAE for settling back into your school routine well, it was great to see you!

Cherry

Logan for great independent swimming.

Ed for amazing perseverance walking with his pacer.

Harry for an amazing physio swim.

Ella for brilliant alphabet work during speech and language.

Ben for super talking, saying 'toast'.

Seb for being a communication superstar.

Sarah for great peeling and chopping in cookery.

Samuel for lovely art work and use of tools in Forest school.

Billy for lots of hard work on the Deer Shack.

Chelsea for amazing pattern work in Maths.

Holly

LB: doing lots of jobs and being helpful to peers in the dining room

DE: Asking for a 'cuppa tea' during snack time and using his communication aids effectively

AN: Lovely parachute work during MATP and doing some fab art work/ screen printing

LO: Showing confidence with horse riding, stroking the pony and leading around the paddock

SH: Standing at the sink and washing her pots-splashing everyone!

KB: Being caring with his peers around school and giving excellent feedback about what he does as part of his routine.

FL: Amazing participation in her swimming lessons this week

MH: Doing some excellent work with his DofE challenges and helping Richard mend the bikes

TW: Fab visit to the community and also participating in horse riding and work experience.

LWS: Being our star of the week for his kind behaviour and being helpful around class.

Oak

Alfie for some excellent teamwork when tidying away after cookery, all pulling together to ensure the cookery room was left in a clean and tidy way!



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Logan for some excellent teamwork when tidying away after cookery, all pulling together to ensure the cookery room was left in a clean and tidy way!

Billy for some great work during RSHE working extremely well with another peer to consider elements of healthy and unhealthy relationships!

B., for some excellent teamwork when tidying away after cookery, all pulling together to ensure the cookery room was left in a clean and tidy way!

Ruby for some great literacy work, recognising she was unhappy with sections and asking to begin the activity afresh!

Ellie for some excellent teamwork when tidying away after cookery, all pulling together to ensure the cookery room was left in a clean and tidy way!

Elian for some excellent work serving customers and taking payments during enterprise! Some excellent manners and money handling skills!

Connor for some great Maths work on column subtraction and then applying this to real life examples! Dan for some excellent RSHE work, speaking with adults as and when required!

Peter for some excellent work reading online bus timetables when planning a public transport trip!

Hazel

Haydn – Engaged really well with serving people on the deer shack.

Monty – Engaged really well throughout the whole session of Attention Autism.

James – Explored lessons in different areas in the school.

Ellie – Ellie has engaged really well in music when we were practicing our Christmas concert performance.

Ruby – Has been able to tell us the number that corresponds to the date (for example 27 for 27th). Spencer – Has been engaged with other pupils to draw on the whiteboard.

Jack – Had a lovely time splashing in the pool.

Lola – Engaged really well in different activities in forest school.

Amber – Amazing peeling in cookery.

Faith - Has settled into Hazel class really well.

How can you help?

Dates to remember:

Tues 9th Dec- Elf Day- pupils are invited to dress as elves 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