



WEEKLY NEWS LETTER

Friday 7th November 2025

Proud moments:

Acorn

What a great start to the half-term we have had, everyone has settled back into the school routine beautifully. Individual shout outs to:

Poppy W for a brilliant Attention Autism session, singing along to the bucket song

Mia for using her senses beautifully to explore the light and dark tray in understanding the world

T for great reading with an adult, guessing what might happen next in the book

P for making some brilliant sounds on the drum in Music

Brooklyn for smelling the different winter scents in senseology

Rosie for fantastic eye contact, smiles and giggles during an intensive interaction with an adult

Lexi for brilliant concentration, moving the magnetic blocks to make a big house structure

Calvin for being a super explorer, trying to work out where the sound of our new outdoor wind chimes was coming from

Bradley for amazing play with the small world animals, standing them all up in different arrangements

Freddie for great engagement with our cornflour and water tray, feeling the texture and splatting the mixture

Oscar for great listening, coming straight to the circle when an adult said it was time for Dough Disco

Well done Acorn class!

Maple

Avis - always being a great tidy up advocate in class! Knowing where different things should be when she finds bits on the floor.

Violet - some great interactions and engagement with story props in English and Teddy Bears picnic props in Maths.

Phoebe - a super transition into school on Thursday morning after a run and play on the MUGA.

Bradley - using his communication iPad to answer questions across different lessons.

Mason - being so independent when putting his wellies on.

Calvin - is settling back into school routines well.

J - was so happy to have their first swimming session this week.

Oliver -

Sammy - being very brave when getting in the school pool for the first time.

Ashton - super bravery when swimming, realising he could stand up by himself in the pool after first feeling nervous to let go of the adult.

A - settling into their new class very well and chatting to all new staff with confidence.

Beech

J - Showing amazing communication during work time and confidently asking questions about his work.

Tommy - Continuing to develop his communication skills each day by interacting and playing with different peers, including those he is less familiar with.

Leo - Making great progress in English through his creative story writing.

Reggie B - Being super brave after having an injury on the playground.

Reggie R - Amazing intensive interaction session with staff, laughing and smiling and singing songs.

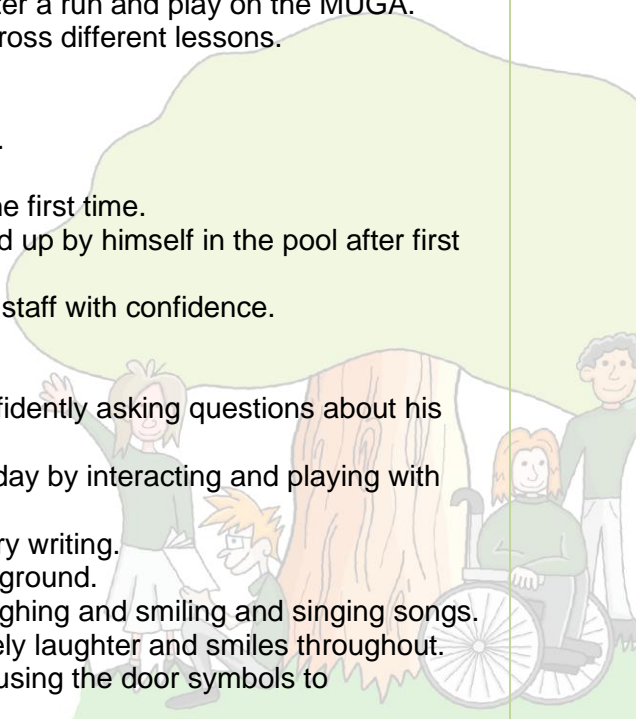
David - Engaging in all four stages of Attention Autism with lovely laughter and smiles throughout.

Niamh - Following three-step instructions without prompts and using the door symbols to communicate wants and needs alongside words.

Ben - Repeating new words during activities, such as "wowzers" and "ta-da!"

Samuel - Independently using sensory objects around the classroom to self-regulate.

Juniper





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Charlie- Well done in our RE lesson you could tell us who was in your class from a choice of two photos.

Daniel-Amazing work in your stander this week and trying to use a fork at dinner time, super star.

L- Brilliant work in phonics trying to say the 's' sound. Well done keep up the good work.

Nevaeh- Well done in PE this week sending the ball to different people.

Octavia- Great work in attention autism

O- Well done for listening to staff requests and sitting during lunch.

Riley- Well done for listening to staff while moving from different equipment.

Reece- For being a kind friend to peers in your class.

Skye- Brilliant work listening to staff and getting yourself up off the floor ready to sit ready for lesson.

Teddy- Well done for following instructions from staff.

Thomas- Fantastic work in PE this week, keep it up.

Larch

FB- fantastic work in the Deer Shack.

SB- amazing horse riding.

EBM- Brilliant explanation of why she didn't like a piece of music.

CD- Fantastic horse riding.

WD- Fantastic independency researching a recipe and the ingredients needed during DT.

JH- Amazing Macbeth poetry.

RH- Fantastic proactive attitude to maths.

LK- Outstanding poetry writing about Macbeth.

PL- fantastic in gymnastics!

M- Great Deer Shack work.

SP- Beautiful role modelling during our class trip.

LP- fabulous horse riding.

LR- increasing confidence in gymnastics, progressing on his forward rolls.

HT- Amazing phonics input.

HLW- Fantastic descriptive words in his English work.

Blossom

RW for communicating her preferences when using the orange tent in class.

RB for great engagement with Rhythmerside.

AJ and IS for great work in their standing frames, using these to access the interactive white board.

KJ and TN for working hard with their pacers to move around the school.

PR for brilliant tracking in maths.

Holly

Frankie L: Matching coins correctly and knowing all coins up to £2! She also threw an amazing Halloween party!!!!

AN: Playing her keyboard for everyone in class and doing well in the Deer Shack

LWS: Showing excellent team work skills whilst doing the milk delivery.

Max H: Being our star of the week for showing kindness to his peers and being very helpful in class

SH: SH: Being very kind to a peer who visited the class, making them smile and sitting at the dinner table really well!

DE: Loved his swimming sessions this week and using his communication board to express his wishes

LB: Excellent in Music- dancing and singing for the class!

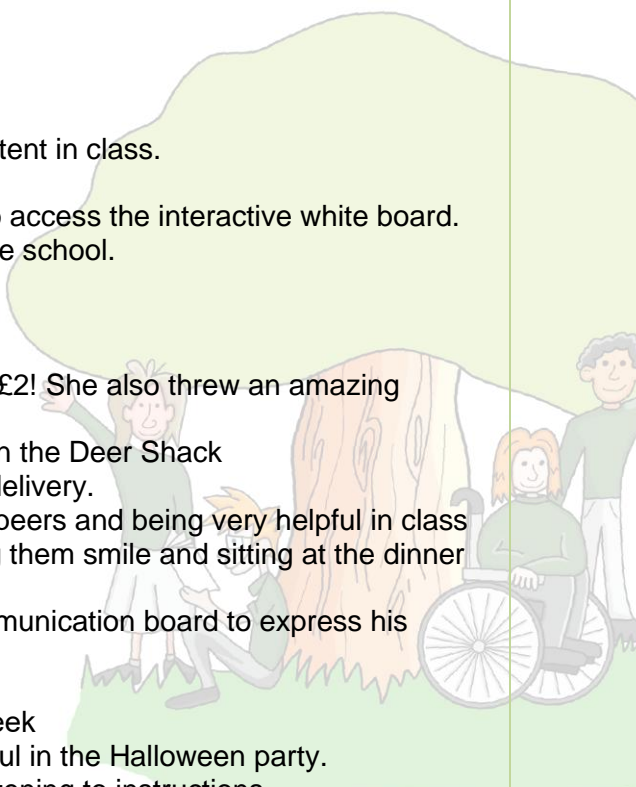
LO: Asking "Mum McDonalds" and improving his signing this week

TW: Singing and dancing in music lesson and being really helpful in the Halloween party.

LS: Walking well up to the War Memorial on a class visit and listening to instructions.

KB: Doing his gym induction and really enjoying his time pumping iron!

FL: Engaging with Sound Bath and going on a tour of the school with a peer!





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The whole of Holly class did really well with the Halloween party, preparing the food, dressing the table and making menus and invites!

Oak

Alfie for some excellent work during the swimming charity challenge!

Logan for great use of ICT equipment to give him strategies to write sentences correctly and independently.

Ellie for being an amazing friend, collecting the school therapy dog, sitting with peers to talk and pet her.

Elian for some excellent work during his gym induction at the leisure centre!

Billy for spending real focused time producing a Christmas Card design for a competition!

Dan for asking great questions to our visitor that spoke about the iron foundry that he will be visiting.

Connor for great independent work on column addition when carrying a ten over.

Ruby for lots of smiles, laughter and fun with peers and staff during our Bonfire night work.

Peter for showing such confidence in using the gym equipment, consistently trying new things!

Hazel

Lola – For brilliant pronunciation of phonics sounds in phonics

Jack – For amazing communication in forest school.

Monty – Amazing engagement in big fish, little fish, cardboard box in maths.

Ellie – For helping put the fire out in forest school.

Ruby – For remembering bits of what we did in music last week.

Haydn – For being caring and opening the door for everyone.

Amber – Dancing to a song in music with a peer.

James – Being helpful and carrying the class lunch box down to the hall for dinner.

Spencer – Amazing work out of his wheelchair in free flow on the floor.

How can you help?

Dates to remember:

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

