



WEEKLY NEWS LETTER

Friday 1st May 2026

Proud moments:

Acorn

Brooklyn - engaging with animal sound buttons in English!
Harley - Amazing matching skills with symbols and sound buttons in English.
Harry - Independently whizzing round the classroom and outdoor area with confidence!
Calvin - For exploring more of the forest school area than you ever have before!
Elsie - For independently pressing the iPad screen continuously to make marks.
Ollie - Identifying different animals independently during our English session.
Freddie - engagement and sharing skills when using the interactive whiteboard!
Rosie - Amazing participation in the LOOP music session - communicating more!
Mia - Lovely participation in music session and choosing your animal!

Maple

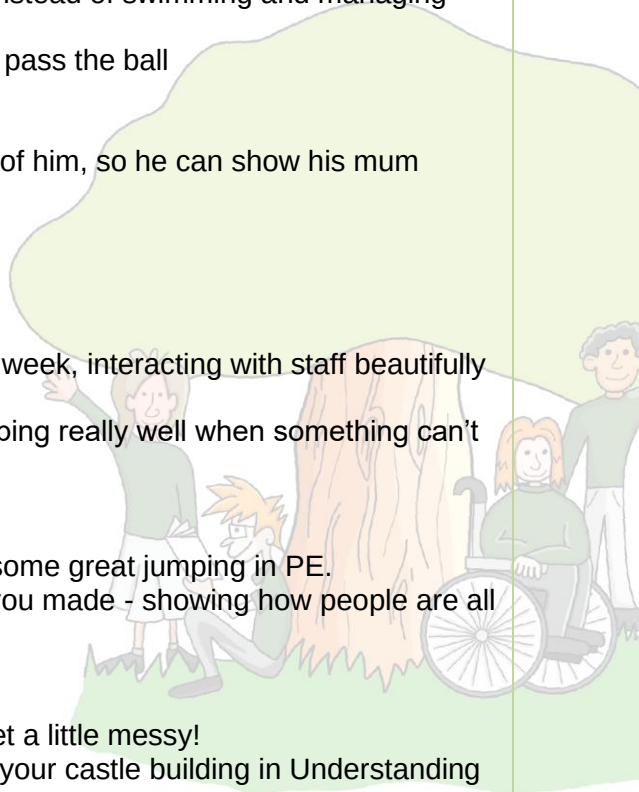
Avis- Great work looking at a new communication board as the adult modelled requesting motivating items.
Violet- Brilliant following of instructions throughout the week
Phoebe- Beautiful singing during circle time
Bradley- Wonderful listening and answering questions while reading a story with an adult
Mason- Lovely turn taking with a peer during PE
Calvin- Great work ordering the numbered fish during our maths lesson
J- Amazing communication tapping the snack cupboard to ask for snack
Oliver- Becoming more independent and going to the sink to wash your hands when asked to
Sammy- Coming to the table independently and initiating exploration of maths activities
Olek- Great work in dough disco, working on your fine motor skills
Ashton- Accepting a change in routine when going to the park instead of swimming and managing this amazingly
A- Wonderful interactions with a peer during PE, taking turns to pass the ball

Beech

Billy - for being super brave and asking for pictures to be taken of him, so he can show his mum
J - for amazing listening during lessons
Tommy - for spelling new words during English
Reggie - for using his sense of humour to support his friends
Ben - for taking turns beautifully
Samuel - for writing new letters
Lavinia - for coping with change well and being super happy all week, interacting with staff beautifully and sharing equipment with peers around school
Leo - for understanding that his friends also need a turn and coping really well when something can't be met straight away

Ash

Shey - for accessing lots of the classroom activities this week, some great jumping in PE.
Willow - for being very creative this week with your characters you made - showing how people are all different.
George - for some lovely foot flowers in Art this week!
Eddie - for helping with tidying up, following staff instructions.
EH - for some lovely flowers in Art this week - even if you did get a little messy!
Parker - for your great letter formation in English this week and your castle building in Understanding of the World.
Maggie - for a great gardening session with your family this week 😊





ALFRETON PARK SCHOOL

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

Well done Ash class - you have also been super sharing spaces outside this week in the lovely sunshine!

Juniper

Juniper class have had a good week this week. We've enjoyed our horticulture session with Matt. Some pupils had a brilliant horse-riding session and did some really good waiting for their turn, well done. We had a lovely RE day learning and exploring items linking to Buddhism. Juniper class loved the nature walk in the forest school area.

Charlie- Well done in repeating our sounds of week.

Jared- Super proud of the bonds you've made with staff and using your communication to get items you want.

L- Great work in horticulture listening to instructions and carrying out tasks.

Nevaeh- Lovely 1:1 reading with staff, pointing out all the different things in the book.

Octavia- Well done in our Maths lesson with week exploring items linking to the nursery rhyme "once I caught a fish alive".

O and Skye - Well done in our RE day, exploring the different activities.

Riley- Well done for having such a positive swim with staff.

Reece- Well done making clear choices when given a choice of two items.

Thomas- Well done at horse riding, your confidence really shines through.

Sycamore

WS - exploring some items from the RE bucket to introduce our RE Day - the Buddhist celebration, Vesak.

LC - amazing transitions to and from the playground this week.

KB - followed instructions and focused well to clean the maternity ward at Matlock Farm Park.

OG - some great engagement in our thrive time, particularly enjoying the bubble bounce video and bubbles to help feel calm.

JH - focused well when making a lantern as part of our learning around the celebration, Vesak.

HV - responded well to support from adults when feeling dysregulated through deep pressure and using the peanut ball.

OC - has thoroughly enjoyed exploring our Ice Cream role play area this week and it has been lovely to see.

Elm

William B – For working hard on his maths this week showing independence

Llan – For working hard in all lessons showing super independence

Reece L - Being competing several pieces of work this week and being a great help around school.

Kenny H– For excellent questions in RE and History.

Bertie D – For expressing his needs well, and being very independent getting his own "toast and butter".

George R– For being such a positive role model in and around school, leading groups and helping Sam in class.

Ilyess K - For a super castle picture and hard work this week.

Jorge N– For trying lots of different new foods - wow so brave 😊

Theo H – for excellent engagement in History this week- we were very impressed with his castle

Rupert Mc – For being willing to take on new adventures - and being a great support as ever to Sam reminder her on occasion of things that have slipped her mind

Kaiden L – For working hard in History - a super castle drawing

Jacob P – For being open to taking on new adventures and being a great seller in the Dear Shack

Blossom

K; Lovely hard work in swimming working on floating.

A; Engaging really well in soundbath session.





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P; Lovely engagement in a relaxing swim session.
D; Working well on his MOVE targets and skills.
R; Engaged really well during sherbourne session in class.
I; Lovely engagement and response during story time outside.
J; Lovely engagement with Sarah with the cello from the Loop Project.
R; Responded well and tolerated taking part in Rhythmerside session.

Oak

Logan for providing some excellent definitions when identifying different safety signs during his work in employability.

Ellie for some super help during Enterprise, including so much washing and cleaning!

Elian for some excellent work identifying hygienic and unhygienic practices!

Alfie for some super work at his work experience placement in preparation for his upcoming work!

Dan for some great enthusiasm and work during our careers visit to Lea Green.

Peter for some great work during our session on assertive communication.

Frankie for

B., for some excellent work and engagement during our supported internship visit to Lea Green.

Billy for some super work by sorting all the Jacket Potatoes into the oven and chopping all the coleslaw in record time.

Connor for some great work during a short reading and comprehension session!

Hazel

Spencer – Using his communication aids more often and being brave and scaling the climbing wall

Haydn – Great work showing what different emotions look like in English

Ruby – Great work at the farm this week with the goats

Amber – Great use of the more and help symbols to communicate

Faith – Great work showing different emotions in our English lesson

Jack – Being really happy all week long and engaging in class activities

James – Asking us to skip the adverts when they come on the board and communicating more when things are bothering him

Ellie – For having a go at the rock-climbing wall

How can you help?

Dates to remember:

Mon 4th May- Bank holiday

Thurs 14th May- Annual Farmers Market- 1.30-3.30pm

Fri 22nd May -Pupils break up for Half Term

Mon 25th- Fri 29th May- May Half Term

Mon 1st June- Pupils return to school

Tues 2nd June- Jetsetter Day- Australia

Mon 8th June- World Ocean Day

Wed 10th June- Sensory regulation- parent workshop with Katy Morley- 9.30-10.30am

Mon 15th June- Parent information session 'Sensory eating' with sensory Occupational Therapist Sarah Terry

Mon 29th June- Parent/ carer Coffee Morning- 9.00-11.00am

Mon 6th to Fri 10th July- National Sports Week

Wed 8th July- Year 8- HPV vaccinations

Wed 8th July- Makaton Day

Wed 8th July- Behaviour training- parent workshop with Belle Towndrow- 9.30-10.30am

Tues 14th July- Emmeline Pankhurst Day

