

West Alvington Academy Weekly Bulletin



Welcome to our weekly bulletin. Below you will find lots of useful information and lovely news from your child's classroom.

Dear Families,

This week, our children in Oak class had a fantastic first sailing session in Salcombe! It was a wonderful opportunity for them to learn new skills and enjoy the beautiful local environment.

Additionally, our Years 5 and 6 students represented West Alvington Primary School exceptionally well at the D-Day 80th service. Alongside Marlborough and Salcombe primary schools, our students paid tribute and commemorated this important historical event. We are incredibly proud of their respectful and heartfelt participation.

Tesco In-Store Vote Update!

We are thrilled to announce that West Alvington Primary School's application to Tesco Stronger Starts has been successful! Our project to create a sensory room, which will enhance the children's emotional wellbeing, has been put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores. Voting will take place from the first week of July 2024 until the end of September 2024.

The project with the highest number of votes in our region will receive up to £1,500, the second-placed project up to £1,000, and the third-placed project up to £500. Winning this funding would significantly benefit many children at our school. We encourage everyone to support our project by voting for the West Alvington Sensory Room when shopping at Tesco. Thank you for your support!

Warm regards,

Miss Coombe

Information for next week:

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check week

Monday - Hazel phonics dress up day

Tuesday - PE club - 4.15pm finish

Wednesday - Art club 4pm finish / Yr 4 sailing / Chestnut, Reception, Yr 3, Yr 5 and Yr 6 Forest School

Thursday - Sporty stars 4.15pm finish

Friday - Year 3 & 4 Plymouth Trip / Yr 5 & 6 Water safety @ Dartmouth Pool

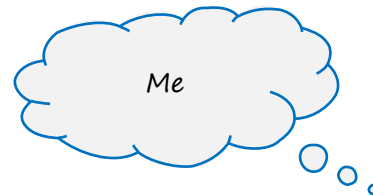
Chestnut Nursery

Miss Lees and Miss
Vennard



WOW Words!

We will introduce and explore new and exciting words with the children. Some we have been using...



Tapestry Tuesdays!

It would be wonderful if you could all upload a photo from your adventures over the weekend for our Tapestry Tuesday! It doesn't need to be something extra special; it could just be a walk in the woods or even snuggling up for a family movie night. We can't wait to see!

Hazel Class Years R-2

Miss Cose and Miss Elliott



This week in Hazel...

What a fantastic first week back at school! The children have beautifully settled back into our daily routine. This week in our music lesson with Mrs Bickle, it was a pleasure to see their progress and ability to play the steel drums. As artists, we have begun our new unit of printing. We are studying the work of Aboriginal artist, Gloria Petyarre which links fantastically to our Geography unit of Australia. As scientists, we are looking at the different seasons. This week we explored Autumn and learnt about why leaves change colour and why they fall of trees. This half term, we are having a focus of online safety. We worked with Oak class to address the main ways to stay safe online and we will be continuing to talk about this across the half term.

Finley shared some special things with us in show and tell this week. Finley has such a passion for gems and crystals. He brought in his gemstone poster and showed us his collection! He is aiming to collect every gemstone on the poster. I was amazing to see the knowledge that he holds! Thank you for sharing these important things with us
Finley!

Show and Tell: each child will be allocated a Wednesday to bring in something special to share (no toys please).

Next Week: Henry and Flynn

Reminders for next week:

Monday - Phonics dress up day

Wednesday - Reception Forest school

Home Learning

Spellings - KS1 only

Your child will come home with spellings each Friday. These will be tested the following Friday.

Reading

Please find all information of expectations in their reading record.

RWinc book bag book, reading record and library book due in: Thursday

New books : Friday

Oxford Owl Quizzes

Each week your child will be set a quiz to complete which will correspond with what they have been learning at school!

Quiz completed by: Thursday New Quiz: Friday



Reception children:

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Star of the Week

Ava

You have shone like a bright star this week by showing all of our class values. You are such a kind and caring girl with the biggest heart - you are such an important part of Hazel!

Attendance

Our attendance target is 98%



Last week's attendance was **100%**
Well done Everyone!

Oak Class Years 3-6

Mrs Hatch and Mrs
Andrews



This week in Oak Class...

Welcome back to Summer Term 2! This week has flown by and been crammed full of exciting opportunities for our children. On Wednesday, Year 4 loved their first session with the Salcombe Dinghy Club. They sailed Pico Lasers and enjoyed team games on Mill Bay Beach. Their faces said it all on their return to school - such proud sailors! Year 5 & 6 were also proud to represent our school when they joined Miss Coombe at Holy Trinity Church in Salcombe on Thursday afternoon to mark the 80th anniversary of D-Day.

Art Club created some wonderful Pop Art inspired by the work of 'Sunrise' (1965) by Roy Lichtenstein. A big 'thank you' to Bex who makes this after school club possible each week.





Home Learning

Home learning consists of reading, spellings, Maths and curriculum themed projects.

Reading

Reading is key to everything your child will do in school. At West Alvington, we want our children to be confident readers with a love of books. Your support with reading is essential. Children are expected to read at least four times a week with a parent. Please record the name of the book your child has read and the pages they have read.

Home Learning

This week, I would like you to think about how you stay safe online at home. Think about the ideas we came up with during our assembly with Hazel Class. Create a poster using the resource we have looked at today (you each have one to take home). Parents, please have a look at this website for help and information about keeping children safe online:

https://oursaferschools.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Gaming_Infographic.pdf

Spellings

As you know, we are trialling a new mixed age spelling scheme in Oak Class for which the children each have their own spelling folders. We will make time to practise these in school as well as send copies home. Please support your child to learn these spellings.



Star of the week

Oliver T

For your incredible geographic journal of a nomad travelling from the Mediterranean, through Egypt and across the Sahara Desert!

Awesome, thank you Oliver SUPERSTAR! 😊

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Dates for your Diary

- 05.6.24 - 03.7.24 - Year 4 Sailing Salcombe Dinghy Club (weekly x 5 weeks)
- 10.06.24 - Phonics Day - Dress Up Hazel Class
- w/c 10.6.24 - Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Week
- 14.6.24 - Year 5 & 6 Junior Water Safety Pool Session @ Dartmouth
- 18.06.24 - EYFS & Year 2 Shuffle Up Afternoon
- 19.6.24 - Hazel and Chestnut Trip 3 Great Attractions
- 20.06.24 - KS1 Multiskills AM / KS2 Athletics PM all @ KCC
- 24.6.24-25.6.24 - Year 4 Residential
- 01.07.24 - EYFS and Year 2 Shuffle Up Afternoon
- 02.7.24 - Year 5 & 6 Junior Water Safety - Beach Safety @ Blackpool Sands
- 03.7.24 - Year 6 Transition Day KCC
- 04.7.24 - Induction evening for students, parents, and carers
- 05.7.24 - 09.8.24 - The Big Step Summer Programme
- 08.7.24 - Summer Performance Dress Rehearsal AM
- 08.7.24 - Summer Performance @ Church PM (Time TBC)
- 15.7.24 - Year 6 Canoeing Trip @ Bowcombe
- 16.7.24 - Sports day - PM (Time TBC)
- 17.7.24 - Whole School Trip to Dartmouth
- 19.7.24 - Oak London Trip to Parliament
- 24.7.24 - Last Day of Term

Forest School Dates

Wednesday 12th June - Oak and Chestnut and Reception

Wednesday 26th June - Hazel and Chestnut

Wednesday 10th July - Hazel and Chestnut

Dress accordingly and Chestnut please arrive promptly by 9am.