

# 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,

We've had such a packed week at West Alvington! Highlights include Hazel's trip on the steam train to the rare breeds farm and butterfly experience, Oak and Hazel's multi skills sessions at KCC and sailing for year 4. We are so delighted to be able to offer these magical experiences for our children. A big thank you to the staff and volunteers who made it all possible.

Next week we look forward to our Year 4 residential trip at Forest and Beach with our friends from Dunsford, Dartington, Thurlestone and Charleton. We can't wait for archery, beach walks, campfires, den building and of course the excitement of a night in a tent with our friends!

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Coombe

**\*\*Please see updates within our 'Dates for your diary' section of this bulletin with times for our Summer Performance and Sports Day which have now been added\*\***

## Information for next week:

Monday and Tuesday - Year 4 Residential

Tuesday - PE club - 4.15pm finish / Vision screening for Reception children

Wednesday - Art club for Oak 4pm finish / Yr 4 sailing / Chestnut and Hazel Forest School

Thursday - Year 6 visit to KCC 12.30 - 1.30pm. Sporty stars 4.15pm finish

**For our summer production, we need a large amount of recycled plastic. We would be very appreciative if families can help us gather this. Thank you in advance!**

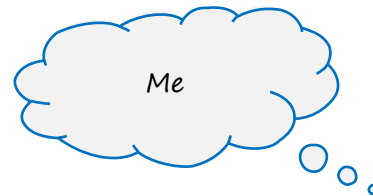
## Chestnut Nursery

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...

All our children shone on our school trip this week. We were blown away by their manners and maturity. It was a pleasure to take you all out! They were so excited to have a trip on the steam railway and loved meeting the train guard. There was so much joy when feeding the animals at the rare breeds farm and they loved watching the otters being fed. What an amazing class we have!



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

**Next Week: Loki and Michael**

### 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:

It would be wonderful if you could all upload a photo from your adventures over the half term 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.

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#### **Star of the Week**

Ella-Mae

You have shone this week. You showed so much kindness towards our new EYFS starters and it was beautiful to see. Thank you for being so amazing!

#### Attendance

Our attendance target is 98%



Last week's attendance was 97%  
Well done Everyone!

## Oak Class Years 3-6

Mrs Hatch and Mrs  
Andrews



### This week in Oak Class...

We loved welcoming Year 2 into Oak Class on Tuesday afternoon. They planted Busy Lizzie's in our colourful hanging pots, in our little outside area, and told us all some rather interesting facts about themselves! We also enjoyed a whole school game of cricket. What a fabulous afternoon - we are looking forward to their next visit later this term. As geographers, on Thursday morning, the children learnt about the difference between weather and climate. They considered how the weather and climate in Egypt might impact the people, animals and plants that live and grow there.



The children had a fabulous time at the KCC Quaddkid Athletics afternoon on Thursday, what fantastic sportsmanship they showed - they enjoyed ice lollies to cool themselves down on their return to school.

## 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 look at this website:

<https://kidsfoodatlas.com/egypt/>

Research an Egyptian recipe for us to have a go at cooking at school. You might even want to have a go at home first - with an adult to help you. We will have a class vote to decide which one we will make before the end of term to mark the end of our Ancient Egyptian history learning.

### Spellings

Thank you for supporting the children with our new mixed age spelling scheme. The children have been working so hard on these and the results are incredible! Amazing effort Oak Class! Please continue to support your child to learn their spellings.



**Star of the week**

Heidi

You show our school values every day and we have loved watching you grow in Year 4! You are a warm hearted and kind friend to everyone in school and always the first to volunteer to help around the classroom. Thank you, Heidi. Well done 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)  
24.6.24-25.6.24 - Year 4 Residential  
27.6.24 - Year 6 KCC visit  
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 1.45pm start  
15.7.24 - New EYFS Shuffle Up Day  
15.7.24 - Year 6 Canoeing Trip @ Bowcombe  
16.7.24 - Sports day - 1.30pm onwards  
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 26<sup>th</sup> June - Hazel and Chestnut**

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July - Hazel and Chestnut**

Dress accordingly and Chestnut please arrive promptly by 9am.