Dear Families,

We've had a great week hearing all about the excitement of residential from our friends in years 5 and 6! They had a brilliant time and made so many memories. Well, done year 5 and 6 for being such great ambassadors for our school.

Our School Council have been hard at work this week creating some signs for our car park to reinforce the safety message for drivers and pedestrians. We look forward to seeing the signs popping up around the site.

Please see below for some exciting Easter dates and events.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Coombe

Spring Term Dates

| Date / Time | Event |
|------------------------|---|
| 26 th March | Oak/Chestnut Forest school |
| 31st March | Oak Kents Cavern Trip |
| 1 st April | Whole school Forest School |
| 2 nd April | Easter Service 2.30pm |
| 4th April | Non - School Uniform Day |
| | Whole School Welly Walk |
| | Easter Egg Hunt |
| | Last day of Spring Term |
| 24th April | Hazel class Geography Day @ Charleton |
| 29 th April | Energy Investigators workshop and Climate |
| | Heroes show |

Some important information for next week-

Forest School Dates - 26th March (Oak and Chestnut)

SATs Booster Club - Tuesday and Friday 8am start

Sports Club - Tuesday and Thursday 3.15 - 4pm

Art Club-Wednesday 3.05-4pm

Re scheduled parent consultations - Wednesday 3.30-6.00

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.

Hazel Years R-2

We really enjoyed our Forest School session last week in the lovely sunshine! We made some amazing dens using our den making kits and we made a great ball rolling system.

As scientists this week we have been making our house for Incy Wincy spider, we had to make sure that it was waterproof and that Incy Wincy spider would be protected in the house.

As designers this week we have designed our space buggy ready to make them next week with the wheels and axles.

In PE this week we were practicing our racket skills, we had to balance some tennis balls and shuttlecocks to see how well we could hold the tennis racket.



Spellings - KS1 only:

Year 1: have, live, give, gave Year 2: race, ice, cell, city

A new Oxford Owl book and quiz has been set 🕲

Reading

Reading is key to everything your little one will do in school, and we want every child to be confident readers with a love of books. Your support with reading at home is key to this. Your child will bring home their reading record along with their RWinc book bag book and library book. It is important that they read the book bag book with you at least three times a week. Library books are important for their reading comprehension. Please make a note of any comments in their reading record and we will follow them up in class.

RWinc book bag book and completed reading record due in: Thursday New books : Friday

Oxford owl:

You will have all received your Oxford Owl logins, there will be a quiz set on there for your child to complete by next Thursday



Reception children:

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.

I can't wait to see!

Star of the Week!



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Flynn for always being such a hard worker and trying his best!

This week in Oak Class...

Year 5 & 6 had an amazing time during their recent residential trip to Okehampton Dartmoor. It was an adventure filled with fun, challenges, and unforgettable memories!

Over the course of the trip, the children took part in a variety of exciting activities, including: weaseling, cycling along the beautiful Granite Trail, enjoying the stunning natural surroundings, abseiling, the climbing wall and high ropes. The whole trip was a fantastic opportunity for the children to develop important life skills such as teamwork, resilience, and communication, all while having a great time with friends. We are so proud of how the children embraced every challenge and made the most of their time in Dartmoor.



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 and remind the children to bring their reading diaries into school every day.

Home Learning

'Change and adapt' poster competition – more information here:

https://www.britishscienceweek.org/plan-your-activities/poster-competition/

The theme for 2025 is 'Change and adapt, — there are loads of STEM topics to be explored. Pupils could create a poster showing how plants and animals adapt to changing seasons or surroundings, or how humans have adapted to changing technology. They could look at climate change and how we can adapt our behaviours to protect the environment, or their favourite science experiment and how it shows change. The more creative the interpretation of the theme, the better!

Spellings

This week, our spellings rule is: Root words ending in...

't' keep the 't' and add -ion

action

adoption

attraction

direction

Root words ending in 'te'

remove 'e' and add -ion

creation

demonstration

devotion

No specific root word

caution

condition

fiction

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Year 5 & 6 for your achievements during residential! Well Done ©

Attendance Our attendance target is 98%



Last week's attendance in Oak class was 94% Last week's attendance in Hazel class was 95%

Well done Everyone!

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 26th March- Forest school (Oak class and Chestnut)

Wednesday 26th March- Rescheduled parents evening

Monday 31st March - Oak Class Trip to Kents Cavern

Tuesday 1st April - Whole School Forest School

Friday 4th April - Whole School Welly Walk

Monday 7th April- Monday 21st April- Easter Holidays

Tuesday 22nd April- Non-Pupil Day

Tuesday 29th April - Energy Investigators workshop and Climate Heroes show