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Friday 27th February 2026

Diary Dates

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day

Thursday 19th March – Parents will receive Spring Reports

Week beginning Monday 23rd March – KS2 Decorated Egg display – more information to come

Wednesday 25th March 9am EYFS Easter Bonnet Parade

Wednesday 25th March 9.45 Y1 & 2 Easter Bonnet Parade

Thursday 26th March – Y5 Enrichment visit to Jodrell Bank

We are incredibly proud of the talented girls from Years 4, 5 and 6 who were selected to represent Aldwyn at the Manchester City Girls' Football Festival. Competing against twelve other teams, they demonstrated outstanding teamwork, skill and determination throughout the tournament. The girls worked tirelessly for one another, showed fantastic sportsmanship and never gave up, ultimately securing an impressive third-place finish. Their resilience, commitment and positive attitude truly reflected the spirit of our school, and we could not be prouder of their remarkable achievement.



We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March.

Children are invited to wear something comfortable for the day. This could be a famous character from your child's favourite book, as in previous years, but there is no pressure to buy a costume. The message of the day is that books are something to be loved and enjoyed, children may choose to come to school dressed in their pyjamas or a onesie as though they are ready for a bedtime story instead of a costume. Children may bring their favourite book into school to share with others.

This year, we are asking the children to be 'Character Champions.' We would like them to think about their absolute favourite book character and become their champion for the day, making the case of why they are so wonderful. Older children could prepare and present a short persuasive speech about their characters, whilst younger children can come up with a small presentation, producing a picture and talking about what they love about their characters. This could be done on paper or online. Be creative! We will be asking children to talk about their favourite characters on the day through speaking and listening activities - there will be debates and conversation all through the day.

During the day the children will also learn about different authors and take part in book related activities.

At the end of the day, the children will bring home a £1.00 book token which they can use to buy one of the specially published books for World Book Day (available at supermarkets and book shops) or they can put it towards the purchase of another book.

This week in Year 4, we stepped back in time to experience what life was really like as a Roman! Children experienced what it was like to sleep in a *cubiculum* (a Roman bedroom) and the conditions they endured. They even got to try on Roman wear, which was a real highlight! But the fun didn't stop there- students had a taste of ancient Roman military tactics with a hands-on experience of Roman formations.

They learned how the *testudo* (the shield wall) kept soldiers safe, how the *cuneus* was used to break through enemy lines, and how the *orbis* defended troops from attacks. We even got to throw javelins, channelling our inner Roman Warrior with a thrilling competition to see who could throw the furthest!

Finally, teamwork was key as we worked together to build a Roman-style road using sand and stone, just like the Romans did to create their impressive empire wide road system. We had a fun and action-packed day learning all about Roman history! To top it off, the sunshine came out for us all!



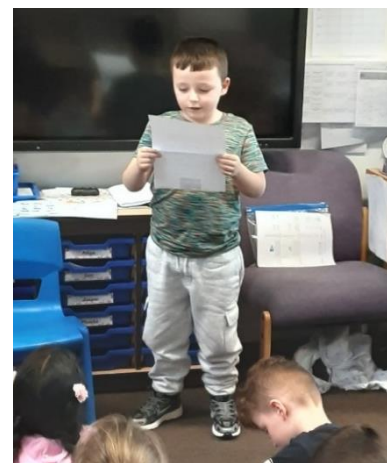
Over the half-term holiday, Mr Clark was checking the school CCTV when he noticed something very unusual on the school field. There, in a nest, was a large egg-shaped object!

Mr Clark shared the CCTV image with Miss Haygarth and Miss Sutton, who then showed it to the Year 2 children. Everyone was very surprised and full of questions. Where had the egg come from? What could be inside it? How did it get into our field? On looking at the CCTV closer, Mr. Clark noticed something he didn't expect to see. A creature roaming close to the key Stage 2 play equipment.

Year 2 decided to put their excellent writing skills to good use and wrote a letter to the Manchester Museum asking for advice.

On Wednesday, we received an exciting reply! Kian read the letter beautifully to the class using expression and fluency. The museum informed us that they had collected the egg on Tuesday evening and had identified it as a Diplodocus egg - from a Diplodocus, which is now extinct (or are they?).

The children were amazed!



This week, Year 4 has been introduced to our exciting new English text, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. In our first lesson, we were introduced to the main character, Charlie Bucket, who absolutely loves chocolate - it's his favourite thing in the entire world! After reading the first chapter, we explored the world of sweets by using our five senses- taste, sight, touch, and sound and hear to describe some of our favourite treats using adventurous adjectives.

The most enjoyable part of the lesson was when we had the opportunity to taste some of the delicious sweets we had described! It was a fantastic way to bring our learning to life, and we can't wait to continue our journey through this magical story in the coming weeks.

This week in Design and Technology, Year 2 became budding Gordon Ramsay's as they made their own healthy wraps!

The children practised important food preparation skills, including careful slicing, spreading, and rolling. They learned about healthy ingredients, kitchen hygiene, and how to create a balanced meal.

It was wonderful to see their independence and enthusiasm - and of course, they thoroughly enjoyed tasting their delicious creations at the end!

'I liked making my wrap, I liked spreading the hummus. It was really nice.' Alivia

'My favourite part was putting the chicken on it because I got to eat bits.' Joel

'My favourite ingredient was the cheese. I am going to make it at home.' Imogen



Year 4 Cross-Curricular Project: Healthy Food and Lifestyle Choices

This term, Year 4 are taking part in an exciting cross-curricular project all about **Healthy Food and Lifestyle Choices**. Throughout the term, children will explore how the food we eat affects the way we feel, the importance of making balanced choices, and how simple changes can lead to healthier habits.

In the classroom, pupils will investigate a range of foods — looking at both the good and the not-so-good — and learn how these choices can impact energy, mood, and overall wellbeing. Their research will help them understand how to build a healthier diet and make thoughtful lifestyle decisions.

To showcase their learning, children will be working in the computer suite in pairs to **create their very own podcast**. They will write a script, record their voices, and use an AI-generated voice for any guest speakers they choose to include. Pupils will also select suitable music and sound effects to bring their podcast to life.

We are looking forward to hearing the creative and informative podcasts they produce!



Year 5 Blast Off Into Podcasting!

Year 5 have launched into an exciting new project this term — creating their very own space-themed podcast! To kick things off, the children explored a universe of fascinating topics, from the wonders of our Solar System and the drama of the Space Race to the incredible moment humans first landed on the Moon. They even delved into one of the biggest questions of all: *Is there life out there?*

This creative adventure ties in perfectly with their upcoming visit to the **Jodrell Bank Radio Telescope**, where they'll get the chance to see real science in action. With the trip just a few weeks away, the excitement is truly building!

Year 6 Prom 2026

WhatsApp group



Calling all Year 6 parents/guardians.

A group of Y6 Parents have come together to begin planning The Year 6 Prom. The prom is organised by parents and school are not involved in the process. If you would like your child to be able to attend the prom (and to be involved in the planning and preparation of the event) please scan the QR code to join the group.



Attendance for this week = **96.6%**

Congratulations to Nursery, RA, 2S,5H and 6M who achieved above the school target of 97% this week.



Well Done!



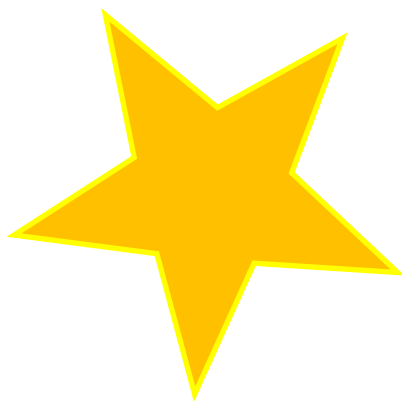
The Birthday Message

We wish you many happy returns of the day.
We hope you will be healthy and strong all the way
Strong to do right, slow to do wrong,
And thoughtful of others all day long.

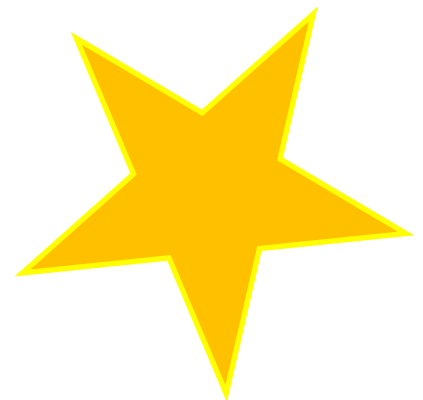


This week we celebrate the birthdays of:

Freya	Romey	Oliver	Darcie	Oliver
Scarlett	Mrs Parks			



To be our best at



We will:

- Care for people and property
- Value others at all times
- Listen, think and follow instructions
- Be helpful, kind and polite
- Enjoy and achieve in all our work

Each week, teachers choose a star of the week based on the Aldwyn Values.

The winners of this week's awards are:

Rudi	Arla	Wiktoria	Theo	Valentino
Alina	Oscar	Louie	Jax	Grace
Joseph	Imogen	Bobby	Muhammad	Georgia
Kayden	Shiloh	Mason	ConyJohn	Heidi
Niamh	Leo	Miller	Zayn	Elizabeth
	Oscar	Nico	Charlotte	



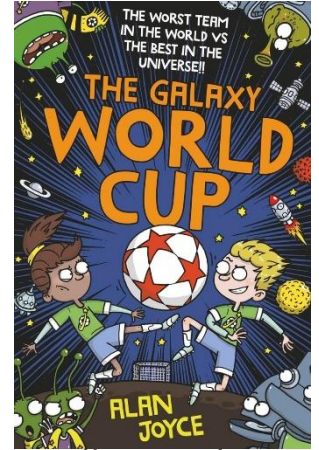
Aldwyn Book Corner



National Year of
Reading 2026

The Galaxy World Cup

By Alan Joyce



From wormholes to bouncy pitches, this side-splitting wacky story will appeal to ages 7-11 and any football fans!

When aliens mistake schoolboy Nick and his fellow misfits for the world's greatest football players, they are whisked across the Milky Way to compete in an intergalactic football tournament against REAL ALIENS.

The only problem?

They are NOT the greatest football players on Earth – they're the WORST!

But if they want to go home, they'll have to lace up their boots and try to actually score a goal ...

The debut novel from the 2024 Times/Chicken House Children's Fiction Competition shortlistee, Alan Joyce.

This intergalactic story, with themes of friendship and team spirit, is the perfect underdog story.

A fun and original football book just in time for the 2026 FIFA World Cup!

Review taken from www.Booksfortopics.com a wonderful website showcasing a wealth of fabulous books for children.



On Thursday 5th March, Mrs Phillips will be creating a special World Book Day inspired menu. If you would like your child to have a dinner on this day, please order it through the Arbor App by 7.30am Thursday 5th March

World Book Day

5th March



**Matilda's meatballs served in tomato sauce
or
James and the giant pizza**

**Fantastic Mr Foxes market veggies
Rapunzels hair (curly fries)**

**Room on the broom jacket potatoes
Mad Hatters sandwich selection**

**Willy Wonkas amazing chocolate cake
Paddington Bears marmalade buns**



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