



Aldwyn Primary School

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Looking Ahead...

Please see Autumn Diary Dates within the newsletter

Last week in Year 6 Maths, we have been comparing additive structures using Cuisenaire rods and recreating bar models. The children then worked on proving how different parts can be equivalent to the same whole, developing their reasoning and mathematical thinking. Great work Year 6!



In RE this week, Year 2 have been learning about Jesus' disciples. We learnt that Jesus picked people who often made bad choices to be his disciples so that he could show them the right way to live. We listened to the story of Matthew, the tax collector, who was chosen to be a disciple and how people may have felt about this choice. We learnt that Christians believe that Jesus can forgive anyone for the wrong choices that they make and that many Christians show forgiveness too. We created posters to show our understanding of forgiveness.





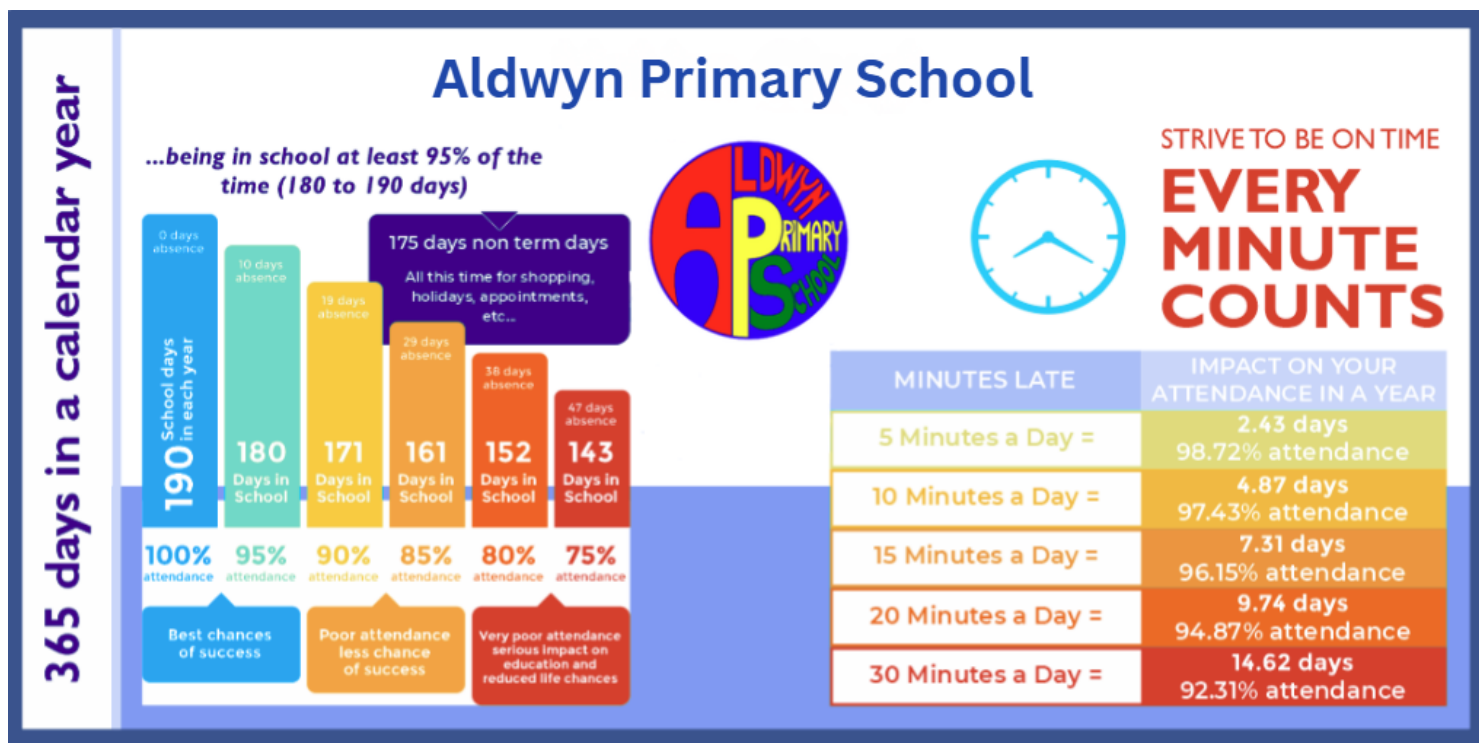
Attendance for this week

95.29%

Congratulations to RA, RH, 1PD, 1PE, 2H, 2S, 4KO, 5C

and 6T who all achieved the Victorious Trust target this week.

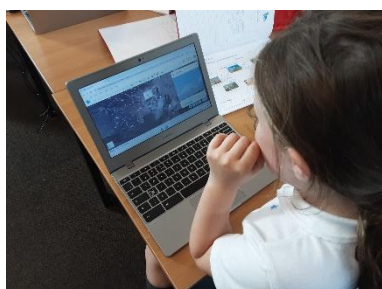
Well Done!



This term, Year 2 have been exploring the exciting geography topic 'Why Our World Is Wonderful.' This week, we took our learning into the digital world, using our Chromebooks and Google Earth to locate, explore, and research some of the most amazing places on our planet.

We travelled virtually around the globe, discovering the Great Wall of China, the Statue of Liberty, the Great Barrier Reef, Mount Erebus, the Great Pyramid of Giza, the Amazon Rainforest, and Mount Etna. We used Google Earth to find out where these incredible places are located.

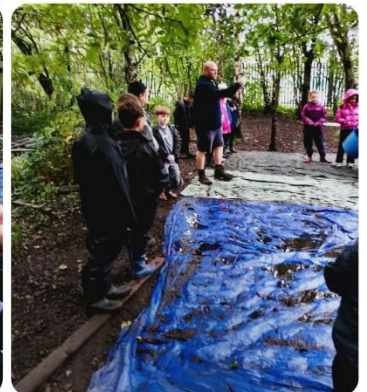
We are looking forward to continuing our journey around our wonderful world and discovering even more fascinating places!



A huge congratulations to our footballers on an excellent tournament at Man City! Finishing 3rd out of 8 teams is a fantastic achievement, but more importantly, the boys showed incredible talent, teamwork and sportsmanship throughout. You should all be incredibly proud of yourselves. We were even lucky enough to see the Man City Women's team training, which was a fantastic experience and a brilliant added bonus to an already memorable morning! Well done boys — you represented Aldwyn so brilliantly!



Year 4 have had a fantastic time getting outdoors and enjoying their Woodland Explorer session this week. The children have loved having the opportunity to explore the natural environment, work together and develop their confidence through a range of exciting outdoor activities. We are already looking forward to our next woodland adventure!

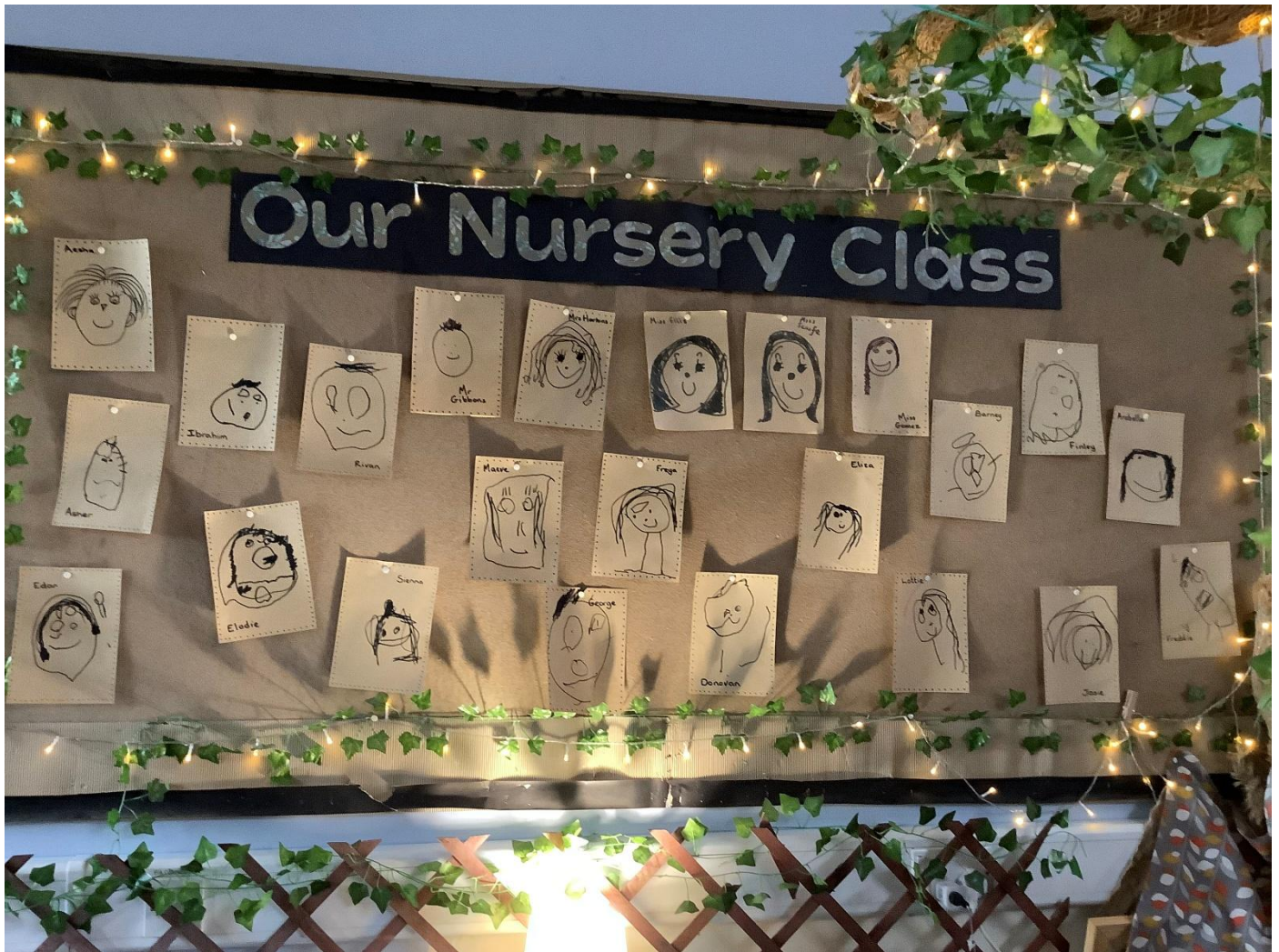


The Nursery children are settling well into Nursery life.

They are enjoying the morning routine of coming in and sitting on the carpet, starting to all join in with our good morning song, clapping and counting and answering the register.

They are all making lots of new friends, playing in the different areas inside and outside.

This week we have drawn and painted our self-portraits, haven't they done a super job!



Mobile Phone-Free School Environment

At Aldwyn Primary School, we are committed to providing a safe, focused and positive learning environment for all children. To support this, we operate as a mobile phone-free school in line with Department for Education guidance.

Our Expectations

Children should not bring mobile phones, smart watches or other internet-enabled devices to school.

This applies throughout the school day, including before school, breaktimes, lunchtimes and after school while pupils remain on site.

The school does not operate a "Bring Your Own Device" scheme. Children use school-provided technology for learning.

Why Are We Doing This?

Keeping mobile phones out of school helps to:

- Reduce distractions and improve concentration in lessons.
- Prevent disruption to learning.
- Reduce opportunities for online bullying or inappropriate use of technology.
- Support children's wellbeing and safety.

Children are also taught about online safety and the responsible use of technology through our curriculum.

Exception for Some Year 5 and 6 Pupils

We recognise that some children in Years 5 and 6 walk to and from school independently and may need a phone for their journey.

In these cases:

- Phones must be handed directly to the class teacher on arrival.
- Phones will be stored securely during the day.
- Children can collect them at the end of the school day.

Children who are accompanied by an adult to and from school should leave mobile phones at home.

Parents and Visitors

We ask all parents, carers, visitors and volunteers to support our phone-free environment by:

- Ensuring children do not bring phones to school unless they meet the Year 5/6 exception above.
- Using the school office as the first point of contact if they need to pass a message to their child during the school day.
- Keeping mobile phones out of sight during school events wherever possible.
- Not taking photographs or recordings of pupils unless specific permission has been given by the school.

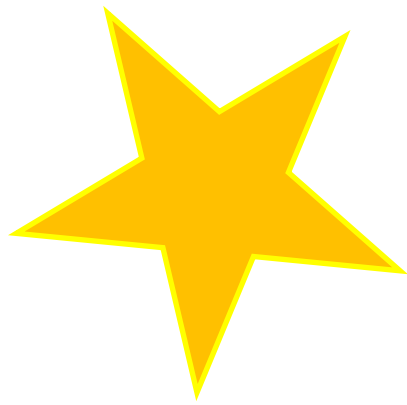
If a Child Brings a Phone to School

If a phone is seen or heard during the school day, it will be collected by staff and stored safely until the end of the day. Repeated incidents may be dealt with in line with the school's Behaviour Policy.

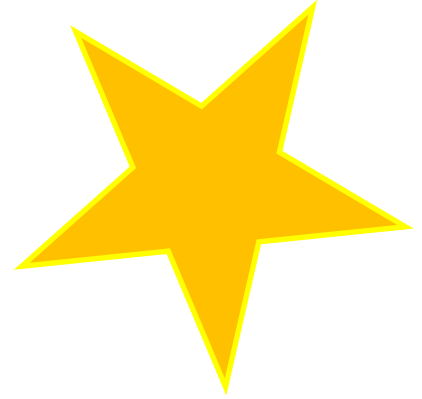
Medical or Additional Needs

If your child requires a device for medical reasons, a special educational need or another agreed purpose, please contact Mr Beaty so that appropriate arrangements can be discussed and put in place.

Thank you for your support in helping us maintain a safe, calm and focused learning environment for all our pupils.



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:**

Ellie	Cole	Sienna	Tristan	Kasen	Libby
Clover	Cobain	Hollie	Bobby	Harrison	Grayson
Grayson	Kian	Rumaan	Iqra	Bobby	Aurora
Rohan	Willow	Ted	Heidi	Jude	Finley
	Lottie	Leia	Charlie	Alexi-Mia	

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.



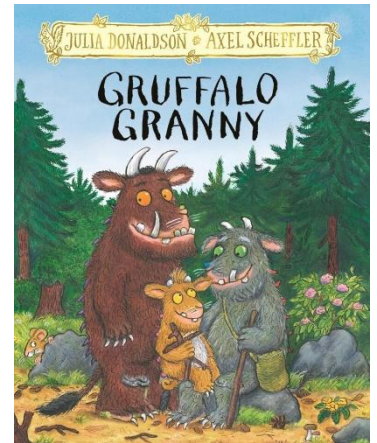
This week we celebrate the birthdays of:

Dawud	Rivan	Harrison	Reeva
Billie	Georgie	Josephine	Anton
Grayson	Barney	Sophie	Ewen



Aldwyn Book Corner

Gruffalo Granny



The brand new Gruffalo picture book from Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler

The Gruffalo said to his daughter one day,
“Your Gruffalo Granny is coming to stay.”

Return to the deep dark wood with the first new Gruffalo story in over 20 years, and meet Gruffalo Granny as she visits the Gruffalo family. This fresh and exciting new Gruffalo adventure features the return of much-loved characters and is destined to become a classic.

Julia Donaldson said “I really hope that children – and adults too – will enjoy the new story, as I know what a wonderful experience shared reading can be. I was delighted when Axel came on board, and am even more so now that I’ve seen the brilliant sketches he’s already done for the new book.”

Axel Scheffler said “. . . One day out of the blue there came a wonderfully clever and inspired new text by Julia. How does she do this? Could I decline? Of course not! As I have had to draw the odd Gruffalo and his daughter over the last 20 years, I’m not completely out of practice.”

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





Parents Come Dine With Me

We would love to welcome you into school for a special lunch with your child!

This is a lovely opportunity for you to share a meal, see your child in their school environment and enjoy some quality time together.

Dates & Year Groups

Year 6	23 September 2026
Year 5	2 December 2026
Year 4	7 October 2026
Year 3	14 October 2026
Year 2	21 October 2026
Year 1	18 November 2026
Reception	25 November 2026



How to book

Bookings should be made via Arbor School Shop.



Cost

£4.50 per person



Cut off date

Bookings must be made by the Friday before your child's date.

We look forward to seeing you!



Autumn Term 2026 Diary Dates

Date	Event	Year Groups Involved
21st September - 2nd October	Year 5 Swimming	Year 5
23rd September	Parents Come Dine With Me	Year 6
30th September	European Day of Languages	All
7th October	Parents Come Dine With Me	Year 4
9th October	World Mental Health Day (Wear Yellow)	Whole School
12th October	2027 Intake Open Evening	2027 potential applicants
14th October	Flu Vaccinations	Rec to Year 6
14th October	Parents Come Dine With Me	Year 3
w/c 19th October	PGL Fundraising Walk	Year 6
20th October	EYFS Harvest Assembly	Nur & Rec
21st October	Parents Come Dine With Me	Year 2
21st October	Parents Evening	All Years
22nd October	Year 1 / 2 Harvest Assembly	Year 1 & 2
Half Term		

Further information about each event will be shared closer to the time. This is not an exhaustive list of events but a calendar of key events that will happen during the term.
On occasion, there may be necessity for a date to change, we will inform parents asap if this is the case.



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Publish Date	Event	Year Groups
3rd November	Year 3 / 4 Glow Disco	Year 3 & 4
4th November	Individual & Sibling Photos	Whole School
4th November	Year 5 / 6 Glow Disco	Year 5 & 6
5th November	Year 1 / 2 Glow Disco	Year 1 & 2
9th November	EYFS Glow Disco	Nur & Rec
11th November	Shakespeare Performance	Year 6
13th November	Children In Need (Own Clothes)	Whole School
18th November	Parents Come Dine With Me	Year 1
20th November	Scroogical Pantomime	Years 3 - 6
24th November	Year 5 Art Gallery Visit	Year 5
25th November	Parents Come Dine With Me	Reception
30th Nov - 3rd Dec	Bikeability	Year 6
2nd December	Parents Come Dine With Me	Year 5
2nd December	Antartica Day	Year 4
4th December	Christmas Fair	Whole School
9 & 10th December	Christmas Performance	Nur & Rec
11th December	Christmas Dinner Day	Whole School
11th December	Christmas Jumper Day	Whole School
14th December	Year 1 / 2 Christmas Carol Concert	Year 1 & 2
15th December	EYFS & Year 1 / 2 Christmas Party	Nur & Rec, Year 1 & 2
15th December	KS2 Carol Service at St Mary's	Years 3 - 6
16th December	Year 3 / 4 Christmas Party	Year 3 & 4
17th December	Year 5/6 Christmas Party	Year 5 & 6

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Year 6 applications for high school. Application portal is now open.

SCHOOL OPEN EVENING DATES AND TIMES

SCHOOL NAME	OPEN EVENING	TIME
Alder Community High School (Community)	Thursday 8th October 2026 https://www.aldercommunityhighschool.org.uk	4:30pm – 6:30pm
All Saints Catholic College (Voluntary Academy)	Wednesday 7th October 2026 https://www.allsaintscatholiccollege.com	4:30pm – 7:30pm
Audenshaw School (Academy)	Thursday 8th October 2026 http://www.audenshawschool.org.uk	5:00pm – 7:00pm
Denton Community Academy (Academy)	Wednesday 23rd September 2026 https://dca.northerneducationtrust.org	5:30pm – 7:30pm
Dixons Ashton (Academy)	Thursday 8th October 2026 http://www.dixonsash.com	5.00pm – 8:00pm
Dixons Pennine Academy (Academy)	Thursday 8th October 2026 https://www.dixonspa.com	4:30pm – 7:30pm
Droylsden Academy (Academy)	Thursday 24th September 2026 https://www.droylsdenacademy.com	6:00pm – 8:00pm
Fairfield High School for Girls (Academy)	Thursday 1st October 2026 https://www.fairfieldhighschool.co.uk	6:00pm – 8:00pm
Hyde High School (Academy)	Thursday 1st October 2026 http://www.hydehighschool.uk	5:00pm – 7:00pm
Laurus Ryecroft High School (Free School)	Wednesday 7th October 2026 https://www.laurusryecroft.org.uk	5:30pm – 8:00pm
Longdendale High School (Academy)	Thursday 24th September 2026 https://longdendalehighschool.org.uk	4:00pm – 8:00pm
Mossley Hollins High School (Academy)	Thursday 1st October 2026 https://www.mossleyhollins.com	5:30pm – 7:30pm
Rayner Stephens High School (Academy)	Thursday 24th September 2026 https://raynerstephens.org.uk	4:30pm – 8:00pm
St Damian's RC Science College (Voluntary Aided)	Monday 28th September 2026 https://www.stdamians.co.uk	5:30pm – 7:30pm
St Thomas More RC College (Voluntary Aided)	Thursday 24th September 2026 https://www.stmcollege.org.uk	5:00pm – 7:00pm
West Hill School (Academy)	Thursday 24th September 2026 https://www.westhillschool.co.uk	4:30pm – 7:00pm

Information is correct at time of writing. Please check individual schools' web sites before you plan your visit.

Apply online: www.tameside.gov.uk

Admissions Team: 0161 342 4004

Applications for Tameside residents must be made via
www.tameside.gov.uk/schools/admissions by 31st October 2026