



# Aldwyn Primary School

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Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2026



Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November Y3/4 Glow Disco  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November Y5/6 Glow Disco  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November Y1/2 Glow Disco

**Change of Date:** Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November Individual and sibling photographs

## Celebrating Our Sporting Success!

We are incredibly proud to share that our school has received several fantastic awards in recognition of our commitment to sport and physical education!

We were delighted to receive the School Games Gold Award, celebrating our dedication to providing opportunities for children to participate in sport and physical activity. We also received the Excellent Commitment to Sport Award, recognising our enthusiasm and commitment to attending sporting events and ensuring our pupils have the opportunity to represent our school.

In addition, we were proud to receive the FA Barclays Equal Access for Girls to Football Award, recognising our commitment to promoting equal opportunities and encouraging girls to get involved in football.

Finally, a very special congratulations goes to Miss Hind, who received a Special Recognition Award for her outstanding commitment to sport. This award recognises the dedication, enthusiasm and hard work she has put in throughout the year to provide our children with fantastic sporting opportunities and experiences.

These awards are a wonderful recognition of our school's sporting achievements and our ongoing commitment to teamwork, inclusion and helping every child reach their potential.

Well done to everyone who has contributed to making sport such an important part of our school community!



This week Nursery went on a listening walk around school as part of our phonics lesson. Everybody got a super listening ear to help them hear the sounds. The children were very well behaved as we walked round to the different classes, the teachers we saw were very impressed! We heard lots of different sounds.

Here is a list of some of the things we heard;

- Footsteps
- A poem
- Lockers
- Pots and pans
- Printer
- Children talking
- Mr B
- A beep of a fob
- Splashing
- Wind blowing
- Laughing



This term, Year 2 have been learning all about materials and their properties in Science. This week, they put their knowledge to the test by carrying out a fair test to investigate which material would be best for making a raincoat. The children explored how waterproof different materials were and used their observations to decide which would be the best choice.

They had great fun investigating like real scientists!





## Attendance for this week

93.9%

Congratulations to RH, 1PD, 2S,

3F, 4KO, and 5H

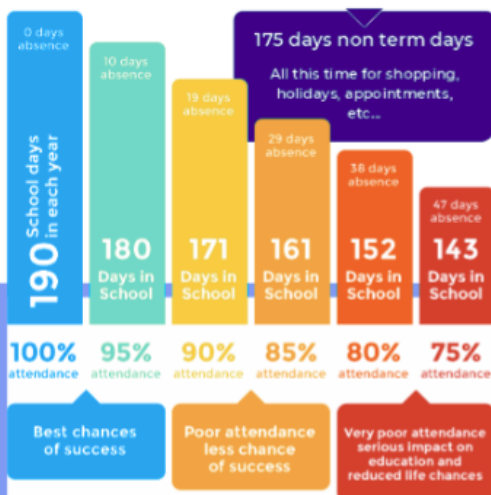
who all achieved the Victorious Trust target this week.

Well Done!



## Aldwyn Primary School

...being in school at least 95% of the time (180 to 190 days)



STRIVE TO BE ON TIME

**EVERY MINUTE COUNTS**

| MINUTES LATE       | IMPACT ON YOUR ATTENDANCE IN A YEAR |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 5 Minutes a Day =  | 2.43 days<br>98.72% attendance      |
| 10 Minutes a Day = | 4.87 days<br>97.43% attendance      |
| 15 Minutes a Day = | 7.31 days<br>96.15% attendance      |
| 20 Minutes a Day = | 9.74 days<br>94.87% attendance      |
| 30 Minutes a Day = | 14.62 days<br>92.31% attendance     |

Thank you to the school community for your generous Harvest donations for the Droylsden Foodbank. The amazing amount has been collected and taken to the Foodbank and will be used in the local community.

A special thank you goes to Joshua in Reception who has chosen to use his own pocket money to fill a shopping trolley full of goods for the Foodbank. Thank you, Joshua!





A huge well done to our Tag Rugby team, who had an outstanding performance at last Friday's competition! The team demonstrated exceptional teamwork, communication and skill throughout the event, showing great determination and sportsmanship in every game.

They achieved an impressive four wins and one draw, finishing top of their group and securing their place in the final.

The team went on to achieve an incredible result in the final this Tuesday, winning the whole event undefeated and being crowned Tameside Tag Rugby Champions!

We are incredibly proud of the way the children represented our school, demonstrating fantastic teamwork, resilience and sportsmanship throughout.

A huge congratulations to the whole team on this fantastic achievement!



Last Thursday, our Year 6 football team took part in an exciting tournament organised by First Sport Coaching. The team played brilliantly throughout the group stages, showing fantastic teamwork, determination and sportsmanship to finish top of their group and secure a place in the Premier League knockout stage.

They then faced a tough challenge against Greswell in a closely contested match. With nothing separating the teams, the game went to penalties, where unfortunately, our team were knocked out 2-0.

Although the result wasn't what we had hoped for, the boys should be incredibly proud of their efforts. They represented the school brilliantly, worked hard for one another and showed great resilience throughout the tournament.

Well done, Year 6! We are very proud of you all!



This week in Art, Year 2 have been learning about the artist Frank Bowling. We explored a range of his colourful and expressive paintings, discussing the different shapes, colours and patterns he used in his artwork.

Frank Bowling is famous for creating large abstract paintings filled with vibrant colours and exciting textures. He was born in Guyana in 1934 and later moved to London, becoming one of Britain's most celebrated abstract artists

To inspire our own creations, we visited the computer suite and used 2Paint a Picture to design digital artwork in the style of Frank Bowling. We experimented with bold colours, different brush effects and abstract shapes to create unique and imaginative pieces. The finished artwork reflected many of the techniques and vibrant colours that make Frank Bowling's work so distinctive. We also discovered how artists can communicate ideas and feelings through colour and design.

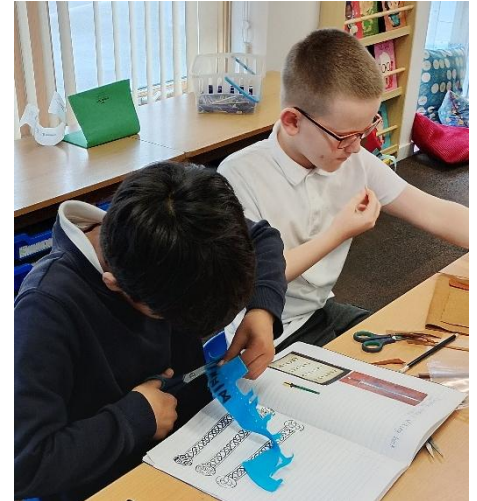


In English, Year 4 took part in our Big Debate: "Should people be allowed to cut down trees in the rainforest?" The children prepared arguments for and against, considering different viewpoints before sharing their ideas in a class debate. They practised giving clear reasons to support their opinions, listening carefully to others and responding respectfully to opposing arguments. It was a fantastic opportunity to develop their speaking and listening skills while exploring an important environmental issue.



## Year 5 Textiles DT – Viking-Inspired Book Covers

Year 5 have been busy bringing history and creativity together in their Textiles DT unit! After researching Viking designs and creating their own mood boards, the children have begun bringing their ideas to life by creating Viking-inspired book covers out of felt. They have been developing and testing their sewing skills, experimenting with design choices and showing great creativity as they turn their initial ideas into colourful, handmade creations.



### The Aldwyn Art Gallery

The Aldwyn virtual art gallery has been updated with wonderful art from across school that has been completed during this half term.

Check it out on the school website

[Aldwyn Art Gallery](#)

### Aldwyn Parent Survey

We currently have a parent survey open to collect views and comments from parents about the daily experience of pupils at Aldwyn. Please follow the link, or scan the QR code to complete the survey. The survey will remain open until Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November.

[Aldwyn Parent Questionnaire – Fill in form](#)



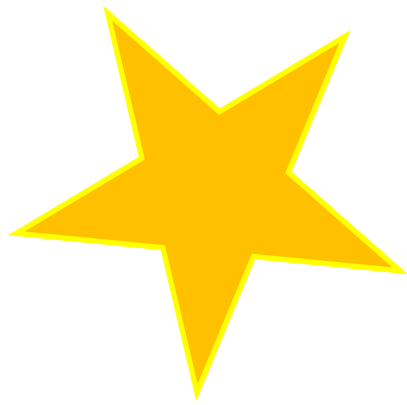
# Parents Come Dine With Me

We enjoyed welcoming many of our Year 2 parents to 'Come Dine with Me' on Wednesday dinner time. It was a great opportunity for the children to enjoy sharing a school lunchtime with their adults. Thank you to Mrs Phillips and her wonderful team in the kitchen for facilitating the event.

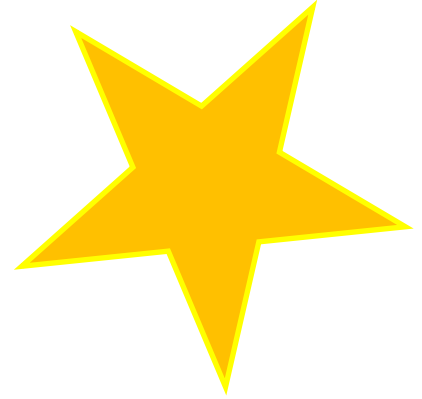
Our next Come Dine with Me is for Year 1 families and will take place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November. Parents wishing to attend must book via the Arbor shop by 23.59pm on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November.

**We are not able to take bookings after the cut-off date.**





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:**

|           |       |           |          |        |          |
|-----------|-------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|
| Catherine | Rowie | Sebastian | Rose     | Sophie | Max      |
| Isabelle  | Jet   | Phoebe    | Emmeline | Junior | Muhammad |
| Amelia    | Sean  | Holly     | Ellie    | Seren  | Grayson  |
| Harper    | Isla  | Jenson    | Endri    | Heidi  |          |

### 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.

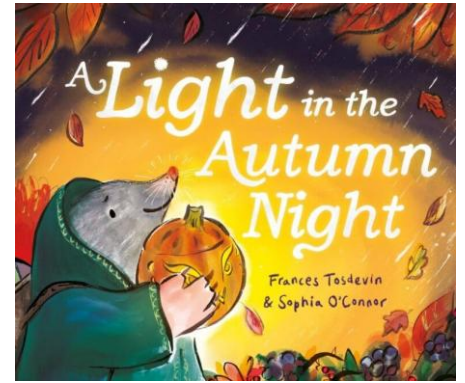


This week and during half term we celebrate the birthdays of:

|           |         |        |          |
|-----------|---------|--------|----------|
| Ariana    | Tristan | Imogen | Eva      |
| Azavier   | Rory    | Isla   | Isabelle |
| Havantika | Cole    | Miller | Halle    |
| Sienna    | Ellie   | Laiba  | Reggie   |



# Aldwyn Book Corner



## A Light in the Autumn Night

Mole loves autumn, but when night falls, he prefers to stay safely inside. The dark is far too scary. One night, Mole kindly shares his glowing pumpkin light with friends who pass by in the wind and shadows. But when Mole steps into the darkness himself and his light goes out, fear takes over.

Lost and alone, he soon discovers that the kindness he gave has followed him into the night.

A warm, gentle tale about overcoming fear, the comfort of friendship, and how even the smallest light can shine brightest when it's shared.

Our Review Panel says...

*This is a gorgeous, autumnal story with glowing illustrations that would make a great class read aloud. Mole has placed his pumpkin outside and lit the golden glow of the candle, but he is afraid of the dark so rushes back inside. His friends visit, dressed up and eager for treats and mole obliges, also sharing his light with his friends as theirs have blown out in the windy weather. When he realises they have dropped some of their warm clothes in the storm, Mole sets out to find his friends, but when his light blows out, fear takes over. However, the kindness he gave others returns to him and as he travels back home with company, he realises there can be beauty in the darkness too.*

A beautiful and gentle story about sharing your light through acts of kindness and the power of friendship to overcome fears.

Review taken from [www.Booksfortopics.com](http://www.Booksfortopics.com) a wonderful website showcasing a wealth of fabulous books for children.





# GLOW *Disco*

**£3 . 50**

**Price includes small snack and drink**

**Spends stall and sweet stall will be available to buy things from at the disco.**

**Y3/4 3<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER 3.15 - 4.30**

**Y5/6 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 3.15 - 4.30**

**Y1/2 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 3.15 - 4.15**

**To attend please sign up via Arbor and send £3.50 cash in an envelope to your class teacher by Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**



# BONFIRE DAY

## SPECIAL MENU

A tasty feast for our little firework fans!

★ Bangers (Sausages) & Mash



★ Catherine Wheels (Cheese Whirls)



★ Diced Potatoes



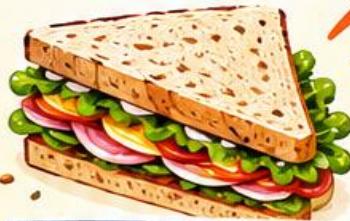
★ Burning Ember Beans



★ Corn on the Cob



★ Jacket Potatoes & Sandwiches Also Available



Orders are via  
**Arbor**

Just order a hot meal  
and children can choose  
at the counter. 😊

 Mrs Phillips  
**Desserts**  
Selection



Thursday 5th November



Due to the Glow Discos, Sports Clubs will start W/B 9<sup>th</sup> November

# AFTER SCHOOL

# SPORTS

# CLUBS

GET ACTIVE, HAVE FUN, MAKE FRIENDS!



3.15PM - 4.15PM



£4 PER SESSION

## TUESDAY

### BOYS FOOTBALL

YEARS 4-6



## WEDNESDAY

### GIRLS FOOTBALL

YEARS 4-6



## THURSDAY

### MULTISPORTS

YEARS 1 & 2



## FRIDAY

### BOYS & GIRLS FOOTBALL

YEARS 2-3



BE ACTIVE!  
BE AWESOME!



SPACES ARE LIMITED -  
COME ALONG AND JOIN THE FUN!



LET'S  
GO!



🎄 Christmas Fair 🎄  
Friday 4th December | 3.30–  
5.30pm

Our Christmas Fair is fast approaching, and we're really looking forward to bringing everyone together for a lovely festive afternoon!

To help make the fair as successful as possible, we would be incredibly grateful for any donations families are able to contribute. Every donation, big or small, really does make a difference and helps us to provide some fantastic stalls, prizes and treats.

Our donation days will be:

- 📅 Friday 13th November – Chocolates & sweets
- 📅 Friday 20th November – Unwanted gifts (new and unused, please)
- 📅 Friday 27th November – Bottles
- 📅 Friday 4th December – Mince pies & cakes

📅 **Can you help with our raffle?**

We'd also love to hear from any parents, carers or local businesses who may be able to donate a raffle prize, voucher, experience or product. Perhaps you own a business, work for a company that could help, or know somebody who might be happy to support our school. We would be so grateful for any prizes you can offer – they will help make our Christmas raffle extra special!

If you would like to donate a raffle prize or are interested in having a stall at the Christmas Fair, please speak to Mr Beaty or Mrs Clark, who will happily pass your details or donation on to the Friends of Aldwyn.

❤️ Thank you, as always, for your wonderful support and generosity.

We really couldn't make events like this such a success without our fantastic school community.