



Audlem St. James' C of E Primary School

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21 April 2023

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Happy Easter Everyone

I would like to welcome you all back to the Summer term and the term of HOPE. All the children have come back to school with smiles on their faces and gone back to working hard in the classrooms.

Thought of the Week

"Let us be grateful
to people who
make us happy;
they are the
charming
gardeners who
make our souls
blossom."

- Marcel Proust

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Parent Survey

I would like to thank everyone for their input into the Parent Survey before Easter. This has now been analysed and some key areas have been identified for us to improve on as a school.

These are:

- Communication to parents on what we are doing in school, and we will look at this over the next term.
- To ensure that children have more access to Sporting competitions across Key Stages throughout the year.
- To bring back Parent lunches and Open Days so more adults can see the children learning in school.
- We will also look at how we can improve on letting you know your child's progress throughout the year.
- To carry on looking at Before and After School provision within Audlem St James.





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Uniform

Please can you ensure that all pupils come to school in full school uniform including appropriate, black school shoes.

Praise Book Children

This week's Praise Book children are:



Mrs Burgess' Class – Leo Smith
Mrs Kemp and Miss Cooke Class – Harry Morgan
Mrs Richardson and Mrs Smith's Class – Riley Critchley
Mr Davies' Class – Toby Le Grice
Miss Morris's Class – Anya Miah
Mr Blenkiron's Class – Charlie Stretch
Mrs Bird's Class – Riley Morris

You are all amazing Shining Stars!

The 5 'R's

As a school we are concentrating on the 5 'R's – **resilience, reflectiveness, responsibility, resourcefulness and readiness to learn**. These are the children who have shown such qualities this week:

Responsibility: Freddie Fellows; Maddie Fell, Frankie Sherwin; Tobias Dinsdale

Readiness to Learn: Harriet Hollins; Maddison Wood.

School

Amethyst Class This week in Amethyst Class, we have read the story 'Silly Doggy' by Adam Stower and created a "Wanted" poster. We included labels and wrote sentences together to describe the animal. In maths, we found missing numbers in a number sentence and have been making numbers beyond 10. We have also continued our Read Write Inc phonics lessons and enjoyed playing with our Year 6 buddies on the school field.

Sapphire Class This week in Sapphire Class we have learning how to count in twos and fives in maths. In English we have been writing diary entries from the perspective of one of the characters in our class story. In science we have been exploring our classroom and outside environment to find out the materials that have been used to make the objects. In history we examined 'The Potato Eaters' painting by Vincent van Gogh. The children are really looking forward to their class assembly which will be on Tuesday next week.

Pearl Class This week in Pearl Class we have learned to key vocabulary related to division. They learned to make equal groups when grouping and to share equally. The children have been reading Major Glad and Major Dizzy by Jan Oke with a particular focus on tense. They have changed sentences from the present to the past tense. The children have answered the question 'What is a Coronation?' They learned that the William the Conqueror was crowned King at Westminster Abbey on Christmas Day in 1066. The children enjoyed learning about the state carriage and the crown, sceptre and orb that symbolise the monarch's power and governance. Our new topic is Global Gardens and so, the children went on a discovery walk around the school grounds. They identified plants that grow in our school environment.

Amber Class Amber Class have enjoyed their first week of the Summer Term learning about their new history topic The Ancient Egyptians. We have discussed lots of words and phrases about the period and have been building our vocabulary. This was also a focus of our English sessions where we have been looking up synonyms in a thesaurus about our new stimulus, Journey by Aaron Becker. Our new class reading book is The





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Egyptian Cinderella which has also helped us to understand some of our history vocabulary. We have introduced our new science topic - 'Light' and we have also been starting to write about King Charles III for ahead of the Coronation.

Emerald Class This week, Emerald Class have been absolute superstars learning about fractions. They have aced mixed numbers and putting fractions on number lines! The class have completed an extended writing task in English - retelling the story of Escape from Pompeii. The class evaluated their clay pot sculptures in art and also completed a my happy mind session for PSHE. In History, the children thought about legacies left behind by The Romans and in Science they learnt about the organs involved in the digestive process.

Ruby Class This week in Ruby Class, the children have been continuing to deepen their understanding of decimal places up to the thousandths. In English, we have begun to look at our new text 'The Paperbag Prince'; we have worked on using subordinate clauses to express contrast, and have been inferring information from our new class read 'The Last Wild'. We have started to look at the usefulness of rivers and have identified whether various landmarks are examples of physical or human geography. In Art, we have been creating "joiners" in the style of David Hockney related to King Charles III and his upcoming coronation. In Science, we have also discussed many of the major changes brought about by puberty in humans.

Diamond Class In Year 6, this week, the children have been learning how to collect and organise data on spreadsheets using Excel. In their RSE lesson, they have also been thinking about mental health and how to manage change and loss. In Art, the class have been finding out about the types of art created by the Maya civilisation and what materials were used for their sculptures and jewellery.

Attendance this week

In KS1 and Early Years the best attendance is in Pearl class and in KS2 the best attendance is in Emerald class. Congratulations to both year groups. This week the average attendance has been 95.76% which is very good.

Friends of Audlem School – Coronation Cream Tea – Friday 5th May

Friends are planning to hold a coronation cream tea in the school grounds from 3.15 until 4.15. A poster is attached with full details. All are welcome.

Audlem Kids' Art Competition for 4 to 11-year olds

We have attached a poster regarding this £1 entry competition organised by the Audlem Music and Arts Festival Committee.

Tulip Walk – Norton-in-Hales – this weekend

This event takes place 22 and 23 April 2023, £5 entry for Severn Hospice and St Chad's Church. A poster is attached.

Finally

It is important that our newsletter and all other forms of communication we send out to parents and carers, give you a clear and detailed picture of our work in school, so that you are kept up to date with events in school and our community. If you have any ideas, comments or suggestions about the content of newsletters please get in touch with me.

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