



# Audlem St. James' C of E Primary School

*'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16*



7<sup>th</sup> July 2023

**Audlem St James CE Primary School**



This week again has been a hectic week with Year 6 getting ready for their end of year showcase as well as preparing for Primary College which will be a great success as they learn new life skills. This has been an emotional week for both staff and children as they realise that a new part of their education is now only around the corner. As I said to them **'Teachers give children roots to grow and the wings to fly'**



As they enter high school I know that they will achieve their dreams because they will carry on being dedicated to doing the best that they can possible do.

### Thought of the Week

**Don't worry about hard times because some of the most beautiful things we have in life come from changes and mistakes.**

### Praise Book Children

This week's Praise Book children are:



- Mrs Burgess' Class** – Harriet Walley
- Mrs Kemp and Miss Cooke's Class** – Mia Sargeant
- Mrs Richardson and Mrs Smith's Class** – Eve Ahmad and Isla Bonell
- Mr Davies' Class** – Brodie Cowden
- Miss Morris's Class** – Caleb Bowen-Jones
- Mr Blenkiron's Class** – Charlie Stretch

You are all amazing Shining Stars!





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## 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:

**Resilience:** Olivia New, Alice Peake

**Responsibility:** Jake Quigley

**Reflectiveness:** Betsy Hockenhull-Campbell

**Readiness to Learn:** Arthur Hughes, Isla Moulton and Joe Bennion

## School

**Amethyst Class:** In Amethyst Class this week, we read the story 'Juniper Jupiter' by Lizzie Stewart. We wrote about our own superhero powers and searched for a perfect sidekick. We made a comic strip of our ideas and a wanted poster. In maths, we created our own 'How many legs?' problems. We combined different characters to find the total number of legs we would have altogether. We also enjoyed playing lacrosse in PE and learning about colour mixing in science.

**Sapphire Class:** This week in Sapphire Class we have been writing biographies about Goldilocks' life. In maths, we have started our unit on time. We focused on 'before' and 'after.' Also, we have been learning about the differences between evergreen and deciduous trees. On Thursday, the children thoroughly enjoyed their morning in Pearl Class! Next week, the children will be going on a school trip to Manchester Airport.

**Pearl Class:** This week in Pearl Class we have continued our music lesson, learning a new song and noticing how many beats are in words. We have visited our sunflowers and looked at their progress. In reading we have continued reading Fantastic Mr Fox and we have been looking at new vocabulary and inference. We had an exciting time meeting our new teacher Miss Morris and experiencing what it will be like in Year 3. We designed and made wheeled vehicles using dowel to make axles and boxes to make chassis. We are embellishing our designs and are hoping that they run well in the playground once they are finished. In maths we are exploring position and direction. We have learned about turning anti-clockwise and clockwise.

**Amber Class:** The class enjoyed the library assembly on Wednesday and we are looking forward to the Reading Challenge this summer holiday – Ready, Set, Read! Children have been reflecting on the year and have spent time with their new teacher in their new class. In maths, we have finished learning about money and are about to start the subject of time. We have been playing a new game of "kick rounders".

**Emerald Class:** This week, Emerald class have worked on estimating and calculating amounts of money in the decimal form. In English, the children improved sentences about 'Where the Forest Meets the Sea' by adding fronted adverbials, alternative nouns and adjectives. The class learnt about flooding in Geography and practised painting techniques in art. They also brought in items to represent themselves to photograph for their final pieces in art. Year 4 studied ice cream flavours in French and wrote call and response 4 beat rhythms in Music. The class enjoyed their transition morning in year 5 and took part in their final forest school session of the year.

**Ruby Class:** This week in Ruby Class, the children have been focusing on identifying and plotting co-ordinates on grids and graphs. In English, we have been finishing off our End of Year Evaluations to accompany next week's reports. The children have also been designing posters with straplines to advertise Shakespeare's plays.





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In D&T, the children have been sawing, gluing, sanding, and painting their car toy projects.

In RE, we discussed Jewish and Muslim places of pilgrimage. The children came up with their own questions about this and researched the answers on the internet before "visiting" these places and other holy sites using the VR headsets.

**Diamond Class:** This week, Year 6 had a very exciting workshop with the Science teachers from Brine Leas School. They learned about whether different solutions are acids or alkalis by testing the pH level of each. They also saw a great demonstration of what happens when we mix the two together. The class have also started to practise in their costumes and the scenery is up, which altogether is helping to really bring our year-end show to life.

### Attendance this week

This week, the best attendance in KS1 and Early Years was in Sapphire class. In KS2, Diamond class has had the best attendance. Congratulations to both year groups. This week the average attendance has been 94.43% which is a little higher than last week but still considerably below our target of 96% or above.

### Nantwich Summer Reading Challenge

The Nantwich Library summer reading challenge starts on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July and runs through the summer holidays until Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September. A representative from the library has talked to children in assembly this week. Please click on the following link for more information and resources for this year's challenge which is entitled **Ready, Set, Read.** [www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/school-zone-src](http://www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/school-zone-src)

### Friends of Audlem School

The Summer Fair is being held on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July from 5pm-7pm and we would love to see as many parents, students and family there as possible to support this event. Raffle tickets have been sent home this week so please return any stubs with cash as soon as possible. We are also asking families to send in/donate any unwanted (excellent condition) teddies, toys, puzzles etc that we can use as prizes for our summer fair. These can be given to a member of the Friends team or dropped into the blue wheelie bin located outside of the main entrance no later than July 12<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for all your support so far.

### 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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