



Audlem St. James C.E. Primary School

*Let your light shine'*

*Matthew 5:16*

21<sup>st</sup> July 2022

End of Year at Audlem St James CE Primary School



This will be my last newsletter of the year. It has been an emotional rollercoaster for us all however we have stood together for the whole year, and this has made the school community stronger. It has been lovely to see lots of parents and children at the events throughout the year and the feel that we are finally going back to normality within school. I am a strong believer in the quote below:



This is why I became a teacher over twenty years ago and I am extremely proud to be the headteacher of this fantastic school. I hope you all have a relaxing summer break with your families and friends. Take care, stay safe and look after each other. I am really looking forward to September.





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**To Year 6**

Our door will always be open and you will always be welcomed back with open arms. I hope when you are older you will look back on your time at Audlem St James with fondness and your memories will make you smile. Enjoy the next part of your educational journey and remember to use the toolkit we have given you throughout your time at high school. Let your lights shine!

From Mr Perry

My final thought for you all is:

*The past cannot be changed. The future is yet in your power.*

**Praise Book Children**

This week's Praise Book children are:

**Mrs Maughan and Mrs Burgess' Class** - Olivia New  
**Mrs Kemp and Mrs Hayward's Class** - Ralph Evans  
**Mrs Richardson/Miss Ratcliffe and Mrs Smith's Class** - Ashden Malkin  
**Mr Davies' Class** - Megan Chesters  
**Miss Morris's Class** - Betsy Hockenhull Campbell and Nazar Yurchenko  
**Mr Blenkiron's Class** - Rhiannon Morgan  
**Mrs Bird's Class** - Ollie Binns

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:

**Resilience:** 20 Y5 children who were in school on Tuesday 19 July and Harrison Farmer

**Reflectiveness:** Alfie Brooks

**Responsibility:** Noah Jenkinson, Heidi Boyle, Maddie Fell, Isla Moulton, Billy Cornes and Harrison Farmer

**Readiness to Learn:** Harry Morgan and Harrison Farmer

**School**

**Amethyst Class** This week in Amethyst class, we have read You be You by Linda Kranz. This followed on from a story called Only One You that we had read by the same author when the children started last September. In maths, we played dice games and had fun with the Numberblocks. We also enjoyed spending a morning with our Year 6 buddies for one final time.



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**Sapphire Class** Sapphire Class thoroughly enjoyed partaking in the role play of their class Wedding and especially loved the party afterwards! We have had a wonderful final week of term doing some sketches and painting of types of transport, creating a Summer Holiday's bucket list, imagining what we would do if we were the teacher for a day and thinking about what we have to look forward to and our goals for Year 2.

**Pearl Class** has worked this week with Thomas Spooner, a fashion designer. They created patterns and images on fabric. Thomas is going to use this material to create items of clothing. We are very much looking forward to the result.

**Amber Class** This week started with Amber Class trying to keep cool! We found a novel way to chill with our own 'tray foot spas' and Mr Davies helped refresh us by using his water pistol to let us know who he wanted to answer questions! We reflected on our year in Amber class and created posters to help the next generation of 'Amberites' with advice and support. We have also enjoyed our last PE session with Miss Firth before our last day on Thursday where we played on our own toys from home before breaking up for the summer holidays!

**Emerald Class** This week year 4 have been editing their five part narratives in English. In maths, we have been using the 24 hr clock and the 12 hour clock. The class survived the heatwave by cooling off with some cool water foot baths on Monday and Tuesday. Work has continued on the volcano models and they were erupted today! It has been a lovely end to an amazing year with Emerald Class and we have spent some time reflecting on successes and thinking about what year five might be like.

**Ruby Class** In Ruby Class this week, the children have continued to consolidate their ability to measure using a protractor. In English, they have been writing spooky stories for children about the legendary Monkey Man who lives down the Shropshire Union Canal... In science, the children have been categorising animals and learning what traits make an animal belong to a particular class. On Tuesday, the children enjoyed a spa day in class - getting to soak their feet in their trays while listening to soothing music. In geography, they have been learning about South America. They joined in with one of Mr Blenkinsop's songs, played a sorting game against each other and researched a S.A. country of their choice.

**Diamond Class** Year 6 have had a wonderful final week. They started by reading their prayers and poems at the church service on Monday, and have also been thinking about how to prepare for Year 7. We have been thinking about making new friends, how to recognise and deal with bullying and what to do when old friendships change. The class have also been taking part in their puberty workshops and have had the opportunity to ask lots of questions. We are looking forward to our final day where they get to say goodbye to all their old teachers, teaching assistants and all the wonderful staff who have helped provide a safe and welcoming school for them. We will miss you Year 6; you have been amazing!

#### **Attendance - this week and for the whole year**

In EYFS/KS1, Amethyst have had the best attendance this week and in KS2, Amber has the best attendance. Well done to both classes.

In challenging times, only a few intrepid children have achieved 100% attendance for the whole academic year; Freya Barnett, Anna Hyncica, Noah Jenkinson, Jessica Martin, Seth Minshull, James Pritchard, Jake Quigley and Calum Wilson. Congratulations to these eight children. They have been awarded special certificates in Praise Assembly this morning.

#### **Gadgeteers at Nantwich Library this Summer**

All children have been sent bookmarks concerning this summer activity. Please encourage your child to join in.

#### **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.

A. Perry.