

## Welcome!

It has been lovely to welcome all of the pupils back into school and we are so pleased with the fantastic start they have made to the academic year. Thank you to all parents and carers for your understanding of new procedures and your ongoing support.

### EYFS

After a classroom makeover during the summer holidays, the children in Nursery and Reception have really enjoyed learning with a wide range of new resources. The new furniture continues to encourage children to lead their learning and make decisions, independently accessing the resources. It has been wonderful to see them so happy and settled as they begin to develop friendships here at Alveley.



### Cedar Class

Cedar have started their new topic 'Toys'. Children have taken time to share their favourite toys and think about why they are so special.



The class have enjoyed lots of stories which link their learning to their topic. This week Cedar are enjoying the story of Dogger as they develop their own story about a lost toy.

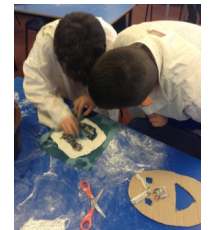
### Elm Class

Elm have had an exciting start to the new school year! They have started their Rainforest topic and have thought carefully about all of the things they might be able to see, hear, touch and smell in an actual rainforest! Elm have also looked at where in the world rainforests are located and what type of animals are found in rainforests.



### Oak Class

Within their topic of Ancient Greece Oak class have enjoyed creating ModRoc masks. They began by studying the three types of Greek plays, then pupils decided between Satyr, Humour and Tragedy as the theme, before designing their own mask.



### School Meals

Our new Autumn menu provided by Caterlink has been enjoyed by many pupils since returning to school. The menu has a selection of new meals and returning popular favourite options. The menu can be found on the school website.



Each day children have the option of a hot meal, baked potato or sandwiches, all meals have the option of salad and a range of puddings are available.

### School Council

Congratulations to all of our new School Council members. After reminding ourselves of the roles and responsibilities of school councillors, children had the opportunity to stand for school council to represent their year group. Voting took place in each class and then our school council



representatives were announced in our virtual assembly.



DATE	EVENT
23rd October	PD Day
26th—30th October	Half Term
2nd November	Autumn Term Starts
18th December	Close for Christmas
4th January	PD Day
5th January	Spring Term Starts
15th—19th February	Half Term
2nd—16th April	Easter Break
19th April	Summer Term
31st May—4th June	Half Term
16th July	Close for Summer



It has been wonderful to see continued use of Tapestry with updates, reading records, spellings and timetables. Children should aim to read at least three times a week at home, please update Tapestry each times.

### Forest School Project

We are really pleased to be able to resume our plans of our Forest School development project during October. All of the developments are led by the children's ideas. We are very grateful to the FOAS committee and parent volunteers who are kindly making the project possible! Volunteers are kindly working together to support us to develop the outdoor learning environment which is used by all of our classes each week. Further volunteers are very welcome to become involved in the project!

### Donations

We would appreciate donations of pots, pans, colanders, wooden spoons and metal utensils which can be safely used in the new mud kitchen in Forest School.

We will have a 'drop off day' on **Monday 12th October** for all donations! Please bring donations when dropping off or picking up pupils.

