



ALLSCOTT MEADS PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER

HEADTEACHER MESSAGE FROM MISS PARKINSON

As we come to the end of the first half of the Spring Term, there is so much for us to celebrate together. It has been a wonderfully successful few weeks for all our children—filled with hard work, great fun, and countless moments of pride. From the wide variety of sports events to the brilliant theatre productions we've enjoyed, the term has been rich with opportunity and excitement. Highlights such as the immersive Stone Age experience day and the hugely popular Titanic debate captured the imaginations of our oldest pupils and showcased their enthusiasm for learning. We are also incredibly proud of our children and families for their fantastic fundraising efforts, and of course, our tremendous achievement in winning the LCT Primary Attendance Trophy! As the days begin to grow lighter and we edge closer to Spring, we would like to wish all our children and families a very happy and restful half term break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on **Monday 23rd February** for another fun filled half term.



LCT ATTENDANCE WEEK WINNERS!!

We are incredibly proud of our fantastic attendance at Allscott Meads. This term, we were absolutely delighted to receive the LCT Trust Primary School Attendance Award. This award is part of a Trust-wide initiative that celebrates all things attendance-related, and it recognises the continued commitment of our families and children in ensuring that attendance remains a top priority. To mark this wonderful achievement, the children enjoyed a cosy pyjama day, a fun and relaxing reward for their ongoing efforts to maintain excellent attendance and, in turn, support their learning and progress.

Well done to every single one of our pupils, your hard work really does make a difference!

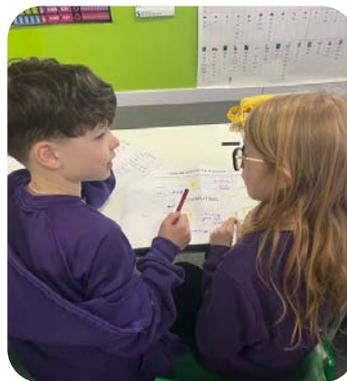
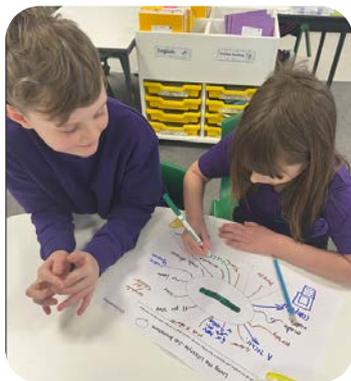


BUMBLES OF HONEYWOOD VISIT



We were delighted to welcome Bumbles of Honeywood back to Allscott Meads Primary once again, courtesy of JS Roberts Building Company. These visits are always met with huge excitement, as our pupils absolutely adore the sessions. The character-led, storytelling approach provides a wonderfully engaging way for children to explore an enterprising mindset, encouraging them to think creatively, share their ideas, and respond thoughtfully. This experience continues to be highly valuable in supporting the development of essential life skills. Preparing our children for life beyond the curriculum is incredibly important to us, and opportunities like this form a key part of our whole-school offer.

A heartfelt thank you to JS Roberts for their ongoing support in bringing these enriching opportunities to our school.



EYFS WORKSHOP

Round Hill Class had such a brilliant time with Shrewsbury Museum this term!

Th children loved diving into what life was like at home in the past. They had a go at ironing with old heavy irons, polishing brass, making a cup of tea without an electric kettle, and even washing clothes in a dolly tub before pegging them out to dry. They also sorted suitcases for children preparing to head off to the countryside during the war. It was a really hands-on morning, and the class were buzzing with excitement and questions, a fantastic way to bring history to life for our youngest learners!



SCHOOL VALUE - SPRING 1 - SUCCESS



This term we celebrate our key value of 'Success'

It is really important to us to recognise the children's valuable contributions and continued successes. Our school values enable us to share the positive attributes that make a big difference to our little community.

Book winners this half term are Emmie, Zakariya, Clara, Elijah, William, Albie, Ruby D, Jackson, Lauren, Siya, Arlo, Reggie, Elian, Gauri, Shelby, Charlotte, Poppy C, George A, Felicity, Ruvarashe, Ivy and Olivia In addition to featuring in our values book these children have been acknowledged with a Head Teachers Award to mark their special achievements. Many congratulations, we are delighted with your special contribution to our happy school community!

ENRICHMENT THROUGH VISITORS

This half term, we have been fortunate to welcome a variety of visitors who have enriched our curriculum and brought learning to life for our children.

KS1 were treated to a visit from the wonderful Jam Jar Theatre Company, who delivered a powerful, environmentally inspired performance. The children were captivated from start to finish, and the experience sparked thoughtful conversations about caring for our world. It was a truly memorable opportunity for all involved.

We were also delighted to host a Stone Age workshop for our Lower Key Stage 2 pupils. This immersive experience transported the children back in time, allowing them to explore Stone Age life through hands-on activities and engaging storytelling. The workshop added real depth to their history learning and created a buzz of excitement throughout the phase.

A fabulous bread making workshop provided by Caterlink this term ensured our KS2 children experienced first-hand how their food is made. They loved the workshop, but it soon became clear it's not quite as easy as it might look!! Huge thank you to Cater link staff!

We always value opportunities that broaden our children's experiences, and these visits have certainly been highlights of the term.





VALENTINESBAKE SALE



Love was in the air at Allscott Meads as we celebrated the end of our Spring 1 half term with a gorgeous Valentine Bake Sale!! A heartfelt thank you to our wonderful families for providing such a wonderful array of treats!! A huge thank you to our children, parents and carers for buying them as we sold out in record time raising nearly £200 for school fund! Thank you again so much!



YEAR 5 AND 6 ENGLISH & HISTORY: THE TITANIC DETECTIVE AGENCY

Year 5 and 6 have thoroughly enjoyed immersing themselves in *The Titanic Detective Agency* this term, using the text as a springboard for their historical research into the tragic events of **1912**. The children have been completely absorbed in exploring the real-life stories, decisions, and unanswered questions surrounding the disaster, drawing powerful links between their reading and their enquiry-led history work.

This learning journey culminated in an **extremely lively and persuasive debate**, where pupils reenacted a formal enquiry similar to the one held at the time. With clarity, confidence, and impressive conviction, the children argued the case against **J. Bruce Ismay**, examining his role and responsibility in the events that unfolded. As we all know, *where there is blame, there is always a claim!* Their thoughtful arguments demonstrated not only excellent understanding, but also a mature awareness of how accountability shapes outcomes.

The original enquiry into the Titanic was **seismic** in shaping future health and safety laws, ensuring that such a disaster would be far less likely to happen again. Our pupils grasped this brilliantly, recognising how historical events can lead to significant changes that protect lives for generations to come.

It has been wonderful to see such high levels of engagement, curiosity, and debate across both year groups—well done, Year 5 and 6!



SEVERN HOSPICE FUNDRAISING GRAND TOTAL



We are incredibly proud to share that we have raised an astounding £1,213.33 for Severn Hospice. We are also proud winners of their 'Outstanding Fundraiser' trophy. Nicky from Severn Hospice came to celebration assembly to present us with the giant cheque and trophy!! A phenomenal achievement for such a small school. This remarkable total reflects the generosity, kindness, and community spirit that make Allscott Meads such a special place.

I am truly grateful for the valuable contributions made by our families. Your support ensures that organisations like Severn Hospice can continue their vital work within our wider community.



PROMOTING A LOVE OF READING IN RECEPTION

We were so delighted to send home some of our **precious books** to our Reception children this week. Encouraging a love of reading from the earliest stages is incredibly important to us, and it was wonderful to see how excited the children were to share these texts at home. To continue raising the profile of reading across the school, we also organised some **buddy reading**, pairing our oldest and youngest pupils together. This was a truly joyful event, with children of different ages spending meaningful time reading side by side. Nothing inspires younger readers quite like the encouragement of older pupils, and it was heart-warming to see the care, patience, and enthusiasm shared between them.

This experience also reflects our strong school ethos of **belonging**. The care and acceptance we promote as a community are powerfully fostered through moments like this, where relationships develop naturally through shared reading.

Our mantra, "**Readers are Leaders,**" continues to guide our approach, helping all children understand that reading is aspirational and opens doors to future success. We look forward to continuing these moments throughout the year.



APPROVED TRAVEL PLAN 2025/2026

We are very pleased to announce that our school has been awarded a Level 1 Travel Survey Accreditation as part of our developing travel planning work, as part of our commitment to safer and more sustainable travel.

We are excited to be joining the Walk to School Once a Week (WOW) initiative. We hope this will encourage parents and carers to join us in reducing car use wherever possible and choosing a more active and environmentally friendly way to travel to school.

On a more serious note, the congestion outside the school gates at busy times is becoming a concern. Whilst we fully appreciate space and parking are limited, we respectfully ask all parents/ carers remain extremely mindful of the safety of children leaving the premises, please take additional care when parking close to pavements by school. We must also reiterate for health and safety reasons dogs remain outside the school premises.

Thank you for your continued support in making our school environment safer and more enjoyable for everyone, it is greatly appreciated.



ENVIROGRANT SUCCESS



We are delighted to share that Allscott Meads Primary School and Nursery have successfully secured an EnviroGrant of £1,000 for our school. Veolia’s EnviroGrant is run in conjunction with Telford and Wrekin and offers money to projects which benefit the local community and environment. This is a fantastic achievement that will make a significant difference to our ‘Farmers Market’ project through our Gardening Club.

At Allscott Meads, we love to grow fresh produce, and this funding will allow us to enhance this offer even further. The grant will be used to purchase a wonderful new market stall for selling our home-grown fruit and vegetables, as well as a bespoke welly rack to help keep our corridors tidy and free from the usual “welly clutter” we all know so well!

A huge thank you to Miss Roberts for her hard work and dedication in securing this funding. It is greatly appreciated and will have a long-lasting impact on our school community.





SCHOOL CLUBS

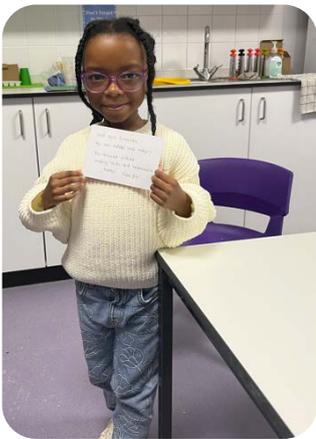


Our school clubs have continued to bring energy, creativity, and joy to Allscott Meads this term. Pudding and Pic Cookery Club has once again delighted us with a wonderful range of culinary treats. A huge thank you to Amy, who has created such a warm, welcoming atmosphere for the children every Friday. It has been the perfect way to round off the week, especially during these cold winter months.

We also extend our thanks to Mr Smith, our Crossbar coach for this half term, who led a brilliantly energetic dodgeball club. The children thoroughly enjoyed the high-paced sessions and the chance to get moving and have fun.

A big thank you as well to Miss Livesey, who has supported Film Club, always a popular and relaxing choice for many of our pupils.

We are already looking forward to offering a fresh selection of clubs after the half-term break. As the weather begins to improve, we are hopeful that many of these activities will be able to move outdoors, giving the children even more space to explore their interests and enjoy their time together.



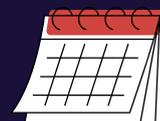
GIRLS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT SUCCESS

A huge **congratulations** to our Year 5 and 6 girls who delivered a truly determined and spirited performance at the **LCT Inter-Primary School Tournament!** The team played with immense heart, showing resilience, teamwork, and fantastic sportsmanship throughout every match.

What was especially wonderful to see was how **supportive** they were of one another—encouraging, celebrating, and lifting each other up at every opportunity. Their unity and positivity made the event a real joy to witness.

Well done, girls! You made us all incredibly proud.

UP AND COMING EVENTS



Save the Dates: Important Events and Reminders

- Friday 13th February - Break up for half term
- Monday 23rd February - Return to School for the second half of the Spring Term
- Monday 2nd March - Friday 6th March - Year 5 and Year 6 visit to Arthog
- Thursday 6th March - World Book Day - Letter to follow
- Monday 16th - Wednesday 18th March - Bikeability - Letters to follow
- Week beginning - 16th March - Parents Consultations - More details to follow
- Friday 27th March - Break up for Easter Holidays
- Tuesday 14th April - Return to school for the Summer Term
- Monday 4th May - Bank Holiday - School is closed
- Friday 22nd May - Break up for Half Term
- Monday 1st June - Return to school for the second half of the Summer Term
- Friday 17th July - Break up for Summer Holidays

Thank you again for everything you do to support us, it is all greatly appreciated!



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