



Welcome To Alder Class



Class Staff

Teacher: Mrs Earnshaw

Teaching Assistants: Mrs Leeming



Curriculum and enrichment:

During the year, the children will be studying the Vikings and re-enacting the Battle of Hastings, exploring Space and building circuits.



Timetable

Visual timetable

PE days – Tuesday and Thursday

Forest School – Spring Term

Class timetable changes

Active learning



Practicalities – School Uniform

- School uniform and PE Kit – all information can be found on the website
- Please label uniform so that lost items can be reunited easily
- Please have a waterproof coat with a hood in school – children will be outside during break / PE if it's showery.



Packed Lunches / Snacks / Dinners

- Please label packed lunch boxes with child's name.
- Children should have a named water bottle which contains only water.
- Break times- please bring healthy snacks (fruit/vegetables only).
- Birthday treats – allergies / intolerances



Practicalities

- If someone different is collecting your child, then please contact the office in advance so that they can inform the class teacher.
- Important dates
- Messages home



Behaviour

We very high expectations of pupil behaviour.

We reward good behaviour through: Dojos, star of the week, golden tickets...

- Our 3Bs of behaviour:

- Be respectful

- Be safe

- Be a good learner



- A copy of our behaviour policy is available on our website.

- We want the children to feel safe and secure in class so that they can feel confident to join in class discussions and feel supported by their peers that in making mistakes, they can learn.



Reading

- National Year of Reading
 - Reading is still important in the upper juniors.
 - When listening to your child read – many are now free readers and have good fluency – questioning them on what they have understood is a fantastic way of supporting your child and assessing their comprehension skills.
 - Our aim is to promote a love of reading!
 - Class library
 - Reading challenges



Home Learning

- Regular reading
- A SPaG activity – based on that week’s focus or an activity based on prior learning
- A Maths sheet - based on that week’s focus or an activity based on prior learning
- Given on a Friday – to be handed in on a Friday. We will go through these activities together in class



Particularities of Year 5

- In Y5, there aren't any official tests – phonics, times tables, SATs...
- Our aim, is to build the children's confidence and independence laying firm foundations which the children can build on.
- End of year production – supportive role
- Christmas and Easter Service



Reporting to Parents

Parents Evening - October 2026

Parents Evening - Spring Term 2027

End of Year reports July 2027



Thank You

