Alcester Academy WEEKLY BULLETIN



11th July 2025

Sports Day—Thursday 3rd July 2025

Alcester Academy Celebrates Sporting Excellence at Sports Day

Alcester Academy was abuzz with competitive spirit and enthusiastic cheers throughout the afternoon of Thursday 3rd July as students from years 7 to 10 participated in our annual school sports day. The event, held under bright skies, saw our four houses—Billesley, Greville, Oversley and Ragley battle it out for supremacy across a wide range of athletic disciplines.

The day was a true celebration of teamwork, determination and individual prowess. From thunderous sprints on track to the impressive throws and jumps in field events, every student contributed to their

house's point totals. I was absolutely delighted to see the array of talent on show across the school within the field of athletics contributing to a significant number of Alcester Academy Sports Day records being broken!

A roaring display of house spirit

The heart of Alcester Academy's Sports Day truly beat with endless energy and unwavering support from all four houses. With many students

proudly representing their house colours, top field quickly became a sea of blue, green, orange and red which created a fantastic atmosphere to allow our students to excel. The cheers throughout the afternoon were relentless from the sides of the track and provided a constant wave of encouragement for every participant.

While the competition for the Alcester Academy sports day trophy was fierce, participation and effort were clearly the stars of the show. I was especially pleased to see such a significant number of students step up to win points for their houses throughout the afternoon.



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The race for the trophy

As the day progressed, the points accumulated and the competition for the coveted Sports Day trophy grew increasingly intense. Girls started on the track first with boys taking up their field events. We will now take a look at our House totals for each year group before congratulating out overall winner.















Year 7 Summary

Our year 7s put on a thrilling display of athleticism and teamwork in their first sports day with us mination, earning them top honours in their track at the Academy. In the field events, Oversley boys showcased their strength and skill, clinching victory, while the Greville girls demonstrated remarkable prowess to secure their win. The track events were equally exciting, with Oversley boys once again proving dominant, crossing the finish line first in multiple races. Not to be outdone, the

Ragley girls exhibited incredible speed and detercompetitions. Overall, it was a fantastic day for year 7, filled with impressive performances and great sportsmanship. Overall, the year 7 results were the closest of the year groups with Oversley taking the win by only 2 points and only 3 points separating Ragley and third place Greville.

	,	YEAR 7			
FIELD EVENTS					
	BILLESLEY	GREVILLE	OVERSLEY	RAGLEY	
	2	6	8	7	
LONGJUMP	3	4	1	5	
a Managaran Marina	10	4	12	2	
JAVELIN	11	3	7	6	
	5	8	9	1	
	2	3	11	6	
SHOT PUTT	5	10		9	
	4	7	12	1	
DISCUS					
TRIPLE JUMP					
TOTAL	42	45	68	37	
	2	1	4	3	
LONG JUMP	6	8	7	5	
	1	12	7.	10	
JAVELIN	1 3	12 11	7 5	10 2	
JAVELIN			7 5 6		
JAVELIN	3	11 8 8	7 5 6 7	2	
JAVELIN SHOT PUTT	3 4 2 5	11 8 8 3	7 5 6 7 4	2 9 6 1	
	3 4 2	11 8 8	7 5 6 7 4	2 9 6	
	3 4 2 5	11 8 8 3	7 5 6 7 4	2 9 6 1	
SHOT PUTT	3 4 2 5	11 8 8 3	7 5 6 7 4 9	2 9 6 1	

TRACK EVENTS					
	BILLESLEY	GREVILLE	OVERSLEY	RAGLEY	
	6	7	4	8	
100m	1	5	3	2	
100111	5	6	2	8	
	3	4		7	
	8	5	7	4	
200m	2	3	6	1	
200					
	6	7	8	3	
200	5	4	2	1	
300m					
	13	8	16	15	
000	10	7	14	11	
800m	4	6	12	5	
	2	1	9	3	
4 x 100m	4	6	8	2	
TOTAL	69	69	91	70	
	8	2	5	7	
100m	3	7	4	6	
100111	5	6	2	8	
	4		1	3	
	4	8	6	7	
200	3	5			
200m					
	7	3	5	16	
200	6	2	1	4	
300m					
	16	12	13	15	
200	7	10	5	14	
800m	6	9		11	
}		8			
4 x 100m	8	2	4	6	
TOTAL	77	74	46	97	

Year 7 OVERALL TOTALS

BILLESLEY GREVILLE OVERSLEY RAGLEY

222 249 254 252

















Year 8 Summary

The year 8 results reflected a highly competitive and memorable competition between the houses. In the field events, the Billesley boys delivered an outstanding performance, securing a well-deserved victory through their power and precision. The Greville girls also shone brightly in the field, demonstrating exceptional technique and determination to emerge as the winners. When it came to the track events, the Billesley boys continued their winning streak, dominating the races with their

impressive speed and endurance. The Oversley girls showcased incredible athleticism on the track, pushing themselves to the limit and ultimately claiming victory in their respective events. It was a day filled with remarkable achievements and strong competitive spirit from all year 8 students, building on their successes from year 7. With house points combined for year 8, Billesley took the win overall.

		YEAR 8			
FIELD EVENTS					
	BILLESLEY	GREVILLE	OVERSLEY	RAGLEY	
	8	- 6	4	1	
LONG JUMP	7	2	5	3	
	12	7	6	10	
JAVELIN	5	11	2		
	8	1	4		
	3	1	7	5	
SHOT PUTT	11	6	10	2	
	9	12	4	8	
DISCUS					
TRIPLE JUMP	Page				
TOTAL	63	46	42	41	
	8	5	6	4	
LONGJUMP	1	2	7	3	
	1	10		10	
JAVELIN	8	11	- 2	12	
	3	7	6	4	
	5	6	11	3	
SHOT PUTT	2	12	10	7	
emessions	1	9	8	4	
DISCUS					
HIGH JUMP					
TOTAL	29	62	55	47	

	TRA	CK EVE	NTS	
	BILLESLEY	GREVILLE	OVERSLEY	RAGLEY
	7	4	8	3
4.00	6	1	5	2
100m	8	6	4	7
	5	3		2
	8	5	6	4
200	7		3	2
200m				
	6	8	4	3
	5	7	2	1
300m				
	15	12	16	9
800m	14	7	13	8
	11	2	6	5
	10		3	4
4 x 100m	8	6	4	2
TOTAL	110	61	74	52
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	4	5	8	7
100m		100000	8 3	7 6
100m	4	5		
100m	4 2	5 1	3	6
100m	4 2 8	5 1 6	3 7	6 2
	4 2 8 3	5 1 6 5	3 7 5	6 2 1
100m 200m	4 2 8 3 4	5 1 6 5	3 7 5 8	6 2 1
	4 2 8 3 4	5 1 6 5 7 5	3 7 5 8	6 2 1 6
200m	4 2 8 3 4 3	5 1 6 5 7 5	3 7 5 8 2	6 2 1
	4 2 8 3 4 3	5 1 6 5 7 5	3 7 5 8 2	6 2 1 6
200m	4 2 8 3 4 3	5 1 6 5 7 5	3 7 5 8 2	6 2 1 6
200m 300m	4 2 8 3 4 3	5 1 6 5 7 5 6 5	3 7 5 8 2	6 2 1 6
200m	4 2 8 3 4 3 4 3	5 1 6 5 7 5	3 7 5 8 2 2 8 7	6 2 1 6
200m 300m	4 2 8 3 4 3 4 3	5 1 6 5 7 5 6 5	3 7 5 8 2 2 8 7	6 2 1 6
200m 300m	4 2 8 3 4 3 4 3	5 1 6 5 7 5 6 5	3 7 5 8 2 2 8 7	6 2 1 6

Year 8 OVERALL TOTALS

BILLESLEY GREVILLE OVERSLEY RAGLEY

 275
 250
 254
 188



























Year 9 Summary

The year 9 sports day was a testament to the students' dedication and competitive spirit. In the field events, the Ragley boys demonstrated exceptional power and technique, securing a well-deserved victory. The Oversley girls also excelled in the field, showcasing their skills to claim the top spot. On the track, the Billesley boys proved to be a formidable force, dominating their races

with impressive speed and endurance to take overall victory. Meanwhile, the Ragley girls displayed incredible determination and agility, securing a decisive win in their track events. It was a day of outstanding performances and fierce but friendly competition across all disciplines for year 9. Across all events year 9 Ragley students took 1st place within the year 9 competition.

YEAR 9						
110	FIELD EVENTS					
	BILLESLEY	GREVILLE	OVERSLEY	RAGLEY		
	8	3	6	7		
LONG JUMP	4	1	2	5		
	2	10	6	12		
JAVELIN	7	3	11	4		
	8	5	1	9		
	8	12	7	11		
SHOT PUTT	3	1	2	9		
	10	4	6	5		
DISCUS						
HIGH JUMP						
TOTAL	50	39	41	62		
	7	6	8	3		
LONG JUMP	5	1	4	2		
	2	6	12	8		
JAVELIN	4	9	10	7		
	1	11	5	3		
1	4	12	10	11		
SHOT PUTT	6	3	5	2		
	9	- 8	7	1		
DISCUS						
нібн јимр						
TOTAL	38	56	61	37		

	TRA	CK EVE	NTS	
	BILLESLEY	GREVILLE	OVERSLEY	RAGLEY
	7	5	8	6
100***	4	1,	2	3
100m	5	4	7	8
	3	1	2	6
	7	3	8	4
200m	6	1	5	2
200111				
	8	3	5	7
200	6	1	2	4
300m				
	16	12	15	11
900	13	10	14	9
800m	5	6	8	7
	2		4	3
4 x 100m	8	2	6	4
TOTAL	90	49	86	74
"	4	6	8	7
100m	1	3	5	2
100111	7	8	4	5
	6	- 3	1	2
	8	5	6	7
200m	4	2	1	3
200m				
1	8	4	5	7
200		3	2.	6
300m				
	16	14	8	15
800m	10	13	7	12
800111	7-45	9	5	11
		6	3	7
4 x 100m	8	6	2	4
TOTAL	72	82	57	88

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Year 9 OVERALL TOTALS				
BILLESLEY	GREVILLE	OVERSLEY	RAGLEY	
250	226	245	261	













Year 10 Summary

The year 10 sports day served as a magnificent culmination of their athletic journey through school, truly setting an inspiring tone for the rest of the year groups. This year's event was a showcase of exceptional individual athletic talent, with students pushing their limits and achieving remarkable feats. In the fiercely contested field events, the Oversley boys demonstrated their formidable strength and skill, securing a well-deserved victory. Equally impressive were the Greville girls, who exhibited outstanding technique and determination to claim top honours in their field disciplines. On the track, the Oversley boys

delivered a dominant performance, amassing an incredible 117 points to secure a resounding victory in the boys' track events. Not to be outdone, the Oversley girls showcased truly unparalleled athleticism, going on to surpass the boys' impressive score with an astounding total of 133 points, solidifying their triumph in the girls' track competitions. It was a memorable final sports day for year 10, marked by extraordinary individual achievements and a collective spirit of excellence. Overall, it was no surprise that Oversley stormed into first position with an incredible total over 365 points!

	Y	EAR 1	0		
FIELD EVENTS					
	BILLESLEY	GREVILLE	OVERSLEY	RAGLEY	
LONGJUMP	6 2	1.3.	7	5 4	
JAVELIN	4 7	3	12 10	9 11	
SHOT PUTT	5 8 2	12 1	9 11	6 4 7	
DISCUS	6	5	3	10	
HIGH JUMP					
TOTAL	40	24	68	56	
LONG JUMP		5 6	8.	7	
JAVELIN	1 3 5	6 12 7	2 8 10	9 11 4	
SHOT PUTT	6 4 3	8 11 10	12 5 2	9 7	
DISCUS					
HIGH JUMP					
Market Control of the					

	TRA	CK EVE	NTS	
	BILLESLEY	GREVILLE	OVERSLEY	RAGLEY
	8	2	4	6
400	7	1	3	5
100m	8	6	4	5
	7	1	3	2
	8	5	7	6
200	3		4	2
200m				
	6	7	16	5
200	3	1	4	2
300m				
	12	11	32	13
800m	10	3	15	7
800111	9	2	14	6
	8		5	4
4 x 100m	16	2	6	4
TOTAL	105	41	117	67
	8	4	7	6
100m	4		6	5
200111	1	6	5	5
		3	15	2
		7	8	6
200m			5	
200111				
	8	4	7	5
300m	3	1	6	3
300111				
	9	15	32	14
800m	5	11	13	12
800m	4	10	7	
		8	6	
4 x 100m	2	8 6	6 16	4

Year 10 OVERALL TOTALS

BILLESLEY

GREVILLE

OVERSLE

RAGLEY

211

205

365

- 232













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Overall House Points

Overall, the Alcester Academy 2025 Sports Day saw Oversley emerge as the clear champions, securing a dominant first place by a remarkable 60 points. Billesley were the well-deserved runners-up for 2025, while Ragley clinched a commendable third place, narrowly beating Greville by just 3 points in a thrilling finish to the competition.

OVERALL	7	8	9	10	TOTAL	POSITION
BILLESLEY	222	275	250	211	958	2
GREVILLE	249	250	226	205	930	4
OVERSLEY	254	254	245	365	1118	1
RAGLEY	252	188	261	232	933	3





Eddie getting ready for his busy day as student sports day photographer 2025, working alongside the legendary Mr Hollis. Well done on the fabulous photos this year—you both captured the energy and spirit of the day perfectly!

Sports Day Fever!





Congratulations to the Greville staff relay team, as Mr Dallow crosses the finish line first!



Mrs Hall and Mrs Timofte enjoying the day on the top field!



Mr Powell taking a well earned rest in the shade.

2025 School Records

A brilliant total of six Alcester Academy school records were broken during this year's sports day. Many congratulations to all students who are now event record holders following the 2025 Sports Day.

It is no surprise that Oversley house have broken a number of records due to their brilliant victory and overall points total this year.

Event	Record	Name(s)
Year 10 Girls Long Jump	4.40m	Scarlett
Year 10 Girls Relay	61.57	Oversley (Daisy, Jess, Scarlett & Harriett)
Year 10 Girls 800m	2.44.35	Marijke
Year 10 Boys 300m	41.53	Will
Year 10 Boys 800m	2.09.62	Will
Year 10 Boys Relay	50.56	Billesley (Luke, Dan, Jake & Arthur)

Alcester Academy Sport 2024-2025

The penultimate week of term signals the end of the school year for extra-curricular sport. I look back with pride on the significant number of achievements reached this year and we look forward to returning in September to kick start the 2025-2026 school year of sport!

Wishing our Alcester Academy students and wider community a wonderful summer break!

Mr Moffatt—Lead PE

Headlines by Mrs Mellors

Good afternoon everyone

Thanks to Mr Moffatt for leading today's bulletin regarding Sports Day last week. We had a superb day, and we were all extremely proud of the competitors and the way in which the student community supported each other; true academy values in operation! On the very next day, Mr Moffatt then led the Wimbledon trip for our sports students, too. It was won-

derful to see the students meeting men's singles player, Andrey Rublev in person, ranked World No.5 as part of this experience.

Briefly, in other news this week, our year 9 geographers conducted their field work in Bristol on Monday. Thanks to the staff team for supporting this important trip. They reported exemplary conduct and behaviour from the students. And of course, last night, we held our annual celebration event in school with numerous award winners and the reveal of our new School Captains for 2025-26.

Congratulations to Dylan and Arturo, Tash and Ishal on their success with these roles. It was an extremely close campaign however and I want to thank all of the students who put themselves forward. I'm very proud of all of them.

Thank you all for bearing with us in the increasing heat last night. We were very proud to share Celebration Evening with so many students. I'd like to give my thanks to those performers who contributed to the evening also.



We will be taking some time off during the summer holidays. Here are some useful contacts if you have any concerns regarding safeguarding during this period of time. These details will be on the website homepage over the summer holiday.

If you have concerns that a child is suffering any form of abuse, neglect or cruelty contact the Warwickshire Children and Families Family Connect immediately by calling 01926 414144. Lines are open Monday to Thursday 8.30am - 5.30pm, Friday 8.30am - 5.00pm. If you need to get in touch out of usual office hours, please contact the Emergency Duty Team immediately by calling 01926 886922. If you think that a child is at immediate risk, contact the Police immediately by calling 999.

School contact over the summer holiday

I will not expect staff to monitor their emails over their summer break, and I respectfully ask that parents do not make contact with staff during this time, therefore. Thank you for supporting this. After a busy year, I want the staff to feel able to switch off and recharge. If you need to resolve anything before the summer, please be sure to make contact with the school on Monday or Tuesday next week.

SLT will be back in school towards the end of August and we are looking forward to year 11 GCSE results.







Staff Leavers

I wrote to you two weeks ago to inform you of the staff leavers for this year. Mrs Ross, teaching assistant will also be leaving us at the end of term. I'd like to thank Mrs Ross for her service to the school and wish her the very best for the future.

New PE Kit

I was informed only this week that the National School Wear Centre in Alcester will NOT be stocking the new PE kit. Naturally, this is not as planned, and I can only apologise to parents for being let down in this way for a second summer now. I can endorse the professional service provided by Price & Buckland however and thank them sincerely for overstocking the kit on our behalf. Price & Buckland

We'll be running through September reminders with the students next week in assemblies. Miss Buckthorp, Assistant Headteacher will send out a summary for you all on the uniform expectations.

Please don't be persuaded that we have any radical new rules or changes in place for September! Everything remains consistently the same aside from the new PE kit.

Lockers

Be sure to remind your child/ren to empty lockers and take home anything that might be needed over the summer break. This includes anything left in the cloakroom areas too.

Sports Day Fun

Thank you to Lacie in 7LX for starting a new trend for each House last week. Greville were very grateful for the donation of fabulous balloons to show the support for their zone on the day. I really hope that this idea might catch on in future years to come.



Good luck to Y10 D of E

...on their Bronze expedition this weekend with our supporting organisation, Rezilient. Stay safe and cool everyone!



Year 10s—stepping up

Year 10s have been finishing off their first round of careers interviews this week with Miss Bartlett before we start considering their year 11 post 16 applications.

Civic Service tomorrow

On behalf of the school community, I'd like to offer our congratulations to the Mayor of Alcester, Counsellor David Henderson on the occasion of the Civic Service dedicated to his role tomorrow at St Nicholas Church.



Rock Academy

All the best to our bands who start their performances at 3pm on Sunday at the Alcester Inn, as one last fund raiser to end the year! Thanks everyone!

With thanks

...to Andy Barter Charity for their recent donation to school. We are all very grateful indeed.

Next Friday—18th July

Just a reminder that we break up at 12.40pm next Friday. Thank you.

Please tell any relatives picking students up about the way one road system in operation.

We will have a non uniform day and will send out guidance around this next week. Please talk to the students about not going open water swimming once they leave school, and staying safe over the summer break with regard to this.

Parents, thank you for everything that you have done to support the staff, students and school this year. This is never taken for granted and is appreciated very much indeed. When we are able to work together in a united way, this has the very best outcomes for the students. We are a very special school, and I am grateful for all of the opportunities that are in place for the students throughout each

academic year. I'm looking forward to a lovely final week with the students and staff. I will write a short bulletin next Friday for you all. Thank you to Miss Home and Mrs Hands for helping to proof, and present these words each week. I'm often in a rush to get this together for you all and their close eye as editors is valued a great deal.

Wishing you a relaxing weekend ahead.

Sarah Mellors—Headteacher



Alcester Academy Term Dates

SUMMER TERM 2025

School closed Friday 27th June 2025—Teacher training day

Summer Term ends Friday 18th July 2025 at 12.40pm

AUTUMN TERM 2025

School closed Monday 1st September Teacher training day

reaction training day

Autumn Term begins

Years 7 and 11 only

Years 8, 9 and 10 only

Wednesday 3rd September 2025

Wednesday 3rd September 20

Years 8, 9 and 10 only Wednesday 3rd September 2025 All students back Thursday 4th September 2025

Half term Monday 27th – Friday 31st October 2025

Back to school Monday 3rd November 2025

Autumn Term ends Friday 19th December at 12.40pm

SPRING TERM 2026

School closed Monday 5th January 2026

Teacher training day

Spring Term begins Tuesday 6th January 2026

Half Term Monday 16th – Friday 20th February 2026

Back to school Monday 23rd February 2026

Spring Term ends (Easter) Friday 27th March at 12.40pm

SUMMER TERM 2026

Summer Term begins Monday 13th April 2026

School closed Friday 1st May 2026

Teacher training day

May Bank Holiday Monday 4th May 2026

Half Term Monday 25th – Friday 29th May 2026

Back to school Monday 1st June 2026

Summer Term ends Friday 17th July 2026 at 12.40pm

School closed Monday 20th July 2026

Teacher training day

Epraise Leaderboard—for the past 7 days

Top Students—past 7 days:

1	Lacie	7LX	Greville	32 points
1				
2	Savanna	10MO	Oversley	26 points
3	Imogen	10BI	Billesley	22 points
4	Eleanor	10PL	Oversley	18 points
4	Rose	7TN	Ragley	18 points
6	Alessandro	7RA	Billesley	17 points
6	Harriet	10MO	Billesley	17 points
8	Lottie	10MA	Billesley	16 points
8	Sam	10BW	Greville	16 points
8	Kian	10BI	Billesley	16 points

Top House—past 7 days:

1	Billesley	959 points
2	Oversley	952 points
3	Greville	886 points
4	Ragley	875 points

Top Subjects—past 7 days:

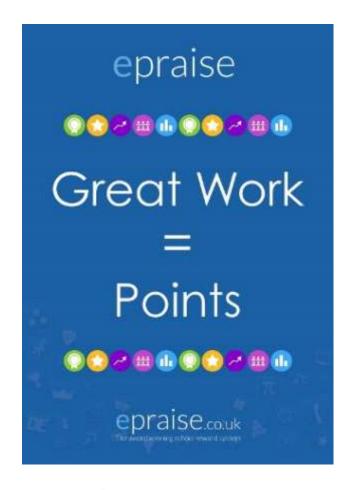
1	Maths	423 points
2	English	363 points
3	Science	295 points
4	French	160 points
5	Art	151 points

Top Staff—past 7 days:

1	Mrs Hirji	272 points
2	Miss Home	223 points
3	Mrs Gorner	200 points
4	Mrs Weatherley	160 points
5	Mr Yarrington	151 points

Top Tutors—past 7 days:

1	7TN	266 points
2	8NA	221 points
3	7LX	213 points
4	7RA	203 points
5	8DA	200 points







A brilliant Bristol day for year 9 fieldwork





What a fantastic day in Bristol we had with our year 9s! The weather was definitely on our side with sunshine all day and this meant students were able to undertake their two fieldwork studies on characteristics of sustainability in Cabot's Circus and Canon's Marsh.

For many of the students this was their first trip to this city and so a real eye opener. What an amazing, diverse, cultural and beautiful city Bristol is, affirmed by one student who said to me "I'm coming back here! I love it".

Students completed all their fieldwork and are now ready to write up their work in preparation for their exam. Excited to say that this year group will very soon be receiving their trip letters for Iceland in October 2026—details to follow!

Many thanks to Mr Bowater, Miss Bishop, Mrs Anderson and Mrs Austin for supporting the trip.

Mrs Sandells- Lead Humanities









A Maths Star in the Making!

This year, year 7 and 8 took part in the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge. Jayden's performance in this was outstanding and he qualified for the second round of competitions as a result—the Junior Kangaroo.

Jayden has been awarded a Certificate of Qualification in recognition of his outstanding performance in the Junior Kangaroo competition. This is a fantastic achievement that highlights his advanced problemsolving and analytical skills.

Well done, Jayden!



LIK Maths Trust

Juniar Kangaron 2025

CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION

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Miss Home

A Special Shout-Out—Sophia, year 10

A huge well done to Sophia, who has shown outstanding commitment to supporting numeracy throughout this academic year. She has generously offered her time to help with a range of mathsrelated events. Most recently, she volunteered to assist with the year 7 Numeracy Leader interviews, and earlier in the year, she helped run the Year 7 House Competition.

Her willingness to get involved, support others and represent the school are exactly the qualities we look for and value in our Numeracy Leaders. Thanks to her dedication, Sophia has now been invited to officially join the Numeracy Leader team next year. Well done to all students involved!





Meet Our New Student Numeracy Leaders 2025/26

We are delighted to share the results of this year's Student Numeracy Leader interviews. Over thirty students across year 7 and 8 put themselves forward for the role and took part in a formal interview process.

We're pleased to announce that the following students have been selected to represent Alcester Academy as Numeracy Leaders from September:

Year 7: Connor, Theo, Alina, Poppy, Teddy, Violet, Ellie, Eva, Leo, Noah, Emily, Fliss, Nora

Year 8: Kaitlyn

The interviews were led by our current year 10 Numeracy Leaders—Georgia, Harriet, Milo, Sam,

and Arturo—who did a fantastic job conducting the interviews and selecting next year's team.

The current numeracy leaders based their decisions on the students who gave the most thoughtful answers, showed the greatest enthusiasm and shared exciting ideas for promoting numeracy across the whole school.

We would also like to thank Sophia (year 10), James (year 9) and Charlie (year 9) for their brilliant support throughout the interview process.

We're really looking forward to working with this fantastic new team of leaders and can't wait to see the impact they will have around the Academy.

Miss Home

































Free online First News over the summer for Alcester Academy students

The *First News* Summer Reading Scheme is a free initiative for all pupils of subscribing schools. It gives you full digital access to their award-winning children's newspaper, games and puzzles via the First News app throughout the summer holidays. The scheme helps you to stay curious, informed and reading while school is out.

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- Daily news stories available to read or listen to
- Access to the FYI video news show (in partnership with Sky Kids)
- Weekly news quizzes
- Puzzles and word games (Wordie, Crosswords, Sudoku, and more)
- Interactive polls and competitions

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The LRC at Alcester Academy is place for you to Study, Do Homework or even just to spend a little bit of time out of the sun.

The LRC is open every lunch time and break time for you to swap out books, do homework and read.



End of Term Early Finish

The summer term will once again finish at 12.45pm on Friday 18th July 2025.

In order to support the safe dismissal of all children, we would like parents to use the one-way system along Gerard Road. Please enter Gerard Road via Captain's Hill and exit via Gerard Road leading into Throckmorton Road. Alternatively, parents can make arrangements to collect children from Captain's Hill.

Unfortunately, none of our transport companies are able to change their schedules to accommodate this early finish so you will need to make alternative arrangements to collect your child.

If your child travels by a public service bus, please ensure you either check the timetable for an earlier service or make alternative travel arrangements for their journey home.

Kind regards School Office



Attendance Notices

Whole School Attendance this week is 92.6%

Top tutors this week:

7RA and 7TN with 96.1% attendance! 8NA with 98.3% attendance 9CR with 97.6% attendance 10MO with 95.2% attendance If your child is absent from school, please inform the Attendance Officer, Ms Louise Hatcher, of the reason before 8.30am each day.

This can be done through SchoolComms, by calling 01789 762285, or by emailing louisehatcher@alcesteracademy.org.uk. Thank you, Ms Hatcher



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Notice for Parents

To comply with the School Attendance (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2024 and Data Protection expectations, it is vitally important that Alcester Academy keeps accurate and up to date information relating to every pupil on roll.

The information we are required to record includes:

- Pupil's full legal name (and if appropriate, their preferred name).
- The name, address and contact details of every person known to the school/academy who is a parent* to the pupil with whom the pupil normally resides (this is the address that has been used to register with their GP).
- The name, address and contact details of any additional parent*.
- Any other emergency contact details.

In order to gather this information, every year we send out data collection forms. Parents are asked to complete the form with as much information as possible and then return to the school, signed and dated. We would ask that even where there are no amendments to the data collection sheet, parents return the form, signed and dated.

Alcester Academy requests that if you change your contact number, move home or there are any other circumstances which may impact your child, the school is notified as a priority.

N.B. *The Education Act 1996 defines a 'parent' as a). any natural parent, whether married or not, b). any parent who, although not a natural parent, has parental responsibility as defined in the Children Act (1989) for a child or young person c). any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child or young person.



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Examinations, Data and Administration Manager

Salary Scale NJC G Scale Point 11-17
Pro-rated for 40 working weeks/year
£24,827 Actual Salary
Closing date 12 noon on Friday 29th August 2025
Interviews TBC

Start date End of September 2025

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Board Description

- The post holder is responsible for the administration and organisation of all aspects of external examinations in accordance with the regulations laid down by JCQ and the awarding bodies and for whole school reporting and data assessment system (Bromcom).
- To work with the Deputy Headteacher in order to ensure the effective use of the school's MIS (Bromcom) in collecting data relating to student performance, behaviour and attitudes to learning in a format that allows for analysis and in the analysis of Year 11 data relating to external exams.
- To organise and manage the whole Academy Examination procedure.
- Responsible for all the Academy administration needs.
- Contribute to the school's statutory duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.

The Application Process

This should be by letter addressed to the headteacher, along with a completed application form. Please be succinct and concise using Arial 12 font. A written statement in support of your application will be accepted but we do not consider CVs.

Closing date 12 noon on Friday 29th August 2025

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Start date: End of September 2025

Alcester Academy reserve the right to appoint before the deadline for a suitable candidate. We reserve the right to follow up references provided in person. We do encourage interested candidates to come and visit the school before making an application.

If you have any questions with regard to this vacancy, please contact head@alcesteracademy.org.uk. We look forward to receiving your application.

Alcester Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Enhanced DBS disclosure is required for appointment to this post. For shortlisted candidates, please be aware that online searches may be done as part of due diligence check.



Connect with our community







The Big Picture Film Festival is back for another summer of fantastic film events! This year, the festival will take place from 28th August - 31st August 2025 at The Bear Pit Theatre, Rother St, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 6LU and other participating venues across Stratford-upon-Avon and surrounding villages (TBC).

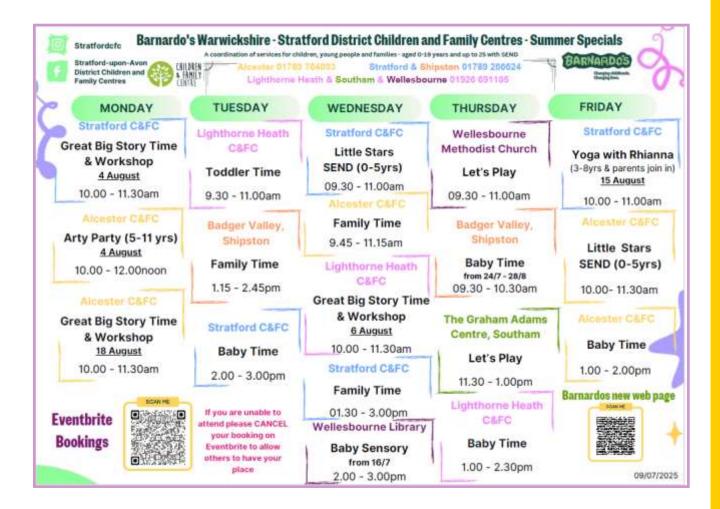
This year, the festival's theme is "Connection and Disruption" so expect our programme to reflect this via a dynamic variety of world class films, filmmaker Q&As and thoughtful collaborations with organisations in the town, including Stratford Net Zero, Stratford Amnesty Group, Stratford Youth Collective, River Hope and Stratford Welcome Here.

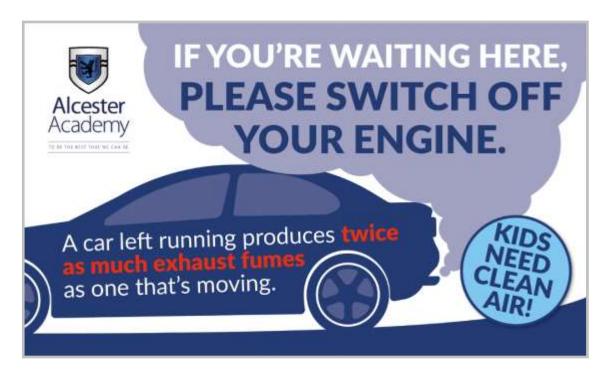
The festival operates on a Pay-As-You-Feel box office, so there is no financial barrier to attend.

Please check out the full programme below and for tickets and information, visit

www.ticketsource.co.uk/livelocaltix

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Put animals in the picture, and be in with a chance of winning some great prizes!

If you're 18 or under and can take brilliant photos, this is the competition for you! Send us your best animal images by 13 August 2025. Finalists are invited to an exciting awards ceremony at the Tower of London.















