

# Alcester Academy



## Spring 2025—Online Safety Bulletin

### Navigating the world:

### social media & your child's digital footprint

Welcome to this term's online safety bulletin. The theme of this term's bulletin is 'navigating the world: social media & your child's digital footprint'. As our children navigate their teenage years, they're increasingly immersed in the digital world. This newsletter aims to provide you with insights into their social media use and the importance of understanding their digital footprint.

#### Understanding Your Teen's Social Media Landscape

- **Popular Platforms:**

Teenagers are using a wide range of platforms, including TikTok, Instagram, Snapchat, YouTube, and increasingly, platforms like Discord for community engagement. Each platform has its own culture and purpose, from short-form video creation to instant messaging.

- **Why Social Media Matters to Teens:**

For pupils, social media plays a crucial role in their lives, extending beyond simple entertainment. It offers a platform for connecting with peers, fostering a sense of belonging during a critical developmental stage. Social media can also be a valuable educational tool, enabling collaborative learning, access to information, and the development of digital literacy skills.

- **Potential Challenges:**

While social media offers benefits, it also presents risks for young people. Excessive use can lead to cyberbullying, exposure to inappropriate content, and the development of unrealistic social comparisons, impacting self-esteem and mental well-being. Additionally, online interactions can expose children to privacy risks, including the sharing of personal information with unknown individuals. The constant availability of social media can also disrupt sleep patterns and academic focus. Parents should be aware of these potential dangers and engage in open conversations with their children about safe and responsible online behavior, including setting appropriate boundaries and monitoring their activity.

#### The Importance of a Digital Footprint

- **What is a Digital Footprint?**

Your child's digital footprint, the trail of data they leave online, is increasingly important in today's world. This footprint, comprised of their social media posts, online activity, and shared information, can significantly impact their future opportunities. Colleges, universities, and potential employers often review online profiles, and a negative or inappropriate digital footprint can have lasting consequences. Teaching your child to manage their online presence responsibly,

including understanding privacy settings and considering the long-term impact of their posts, is crucial. By fostering awareness of their digital footprint, you empower them to build a positive online reputation and protect their future prospects.

- **Why It Matters:**

- \* **Permanence:** Once something is posted online, it's difficult to completely erase.
- \* **Reputation:** Online activity can shape how others perceive them.
- \* **Privacy:** Shared information can be accessed by unintended audiences.

- **Helping Your Teen Manage Their Digital Footprint:**

- \* **Open Communication:** Talk to your teen about the potential consequences of their online actions.
- \* **Privacy Settings:** Encourage them to review and adjust their privacy settings on all platforms.
- \* **Think Before Posting:** Remind them to consider the potential impact of their posts before sharing.
- \* **Responsible Sharing:** Discuss the importance of not sharing personal information like addresses, phone numbers, or passwords.

- \* **Monitor, but don't invade privacy:** find a healthy balance of checking in with your teen, without making them feel that you don't trust them.
- \* **Lead by example:** your own social media habits will be noticed by your children.

#### **Tips**

- **Stay Informed:** Keep up-to-date with the latest social media trends and apps.
- **Establish Ground Rules:** Set clear expectations for social media use, including time limits and appropriate content.
- **Encourage Critical Thinking:** Help your teen evaluate the credibility of online information.
- **Promote Healthy Habits:** Encourage offline activities and face-to-face interactions.
- **Report Concerns:** If you witness cyberbullying or other harmful online behaviour, report it to the appropriate platform and school authorities.
- **Utilize Parental Controls:** there are many software solutions available to help monitor and limit your child's online activity.

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## Useful Sites:

It's important for parents in the UK to have access to reliable information about their children's digital footprints. Here are some key UK-based websites that offer valuable advice:

### CEOP Education (Child Exploitation and Online Protection)



- \* They provide resources and advice for parents on various online safety topics, including understanding and managing digital footprints. Their information is very reliable.
- \* Here is a link to their digital footprint page: <https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk/parents/articles/what-is-a-digital-footprint/>

### NSPCC (National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children)



- \* The NSPCC offers comprehensive online safety guidance for parents, covering digital footprints, social media safety, and other related issues.
- \* Here is a link to their online safety page: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

## Childline

# childline

ONLINE, ON THE PHONE, ANYTIME  
[childline.org.uk](https://www.childline.org.uk) | 0800 1111

- \* Childline provides information and support for young people, but also offers valuable advice for parents on how to help their children stay safe online, including managing their digital footprint.
- \* Here is a link to their digital footprint page: <https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/taking-care-your-digital-footprint/>

## Family Lives



- \* This website provides advice for families, including information on digital footprints and online safety.
- \* Here is a link to their digital footprint page: <https://www.familylives.org.uk/advice/your-family/online-safety/digital-footprints>



- \* This website provides information on children's rights, and provides helpful information on how to minimise children's data footprints.
- \* Here is a link to their page on minimising data footprints: <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/news/ten-top-tips-for-minimising-childrens-data-footprints/>

We hope this newsletter provides you with valuable information to help your child navigate the digital world safely and responsibly.

**Together, we can help ensure a safe and positive online environment for our children.  
We'll continue to share important updates and helpful resources throughout the year  
to support you and your family in staying informed.**

**If you have any urgent concerns, please don't hesitate to contact our school safeguarding team.**

**Thank you for your continued support!**



# Alcester Academy WEEKLY BULLETIN



16<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Good afternoon everyone,

I will write in full to you next week as the very short half term concludes. In the interim, there are a few key messages to update you on.

## Young Enterprise team— *Endangerlings*

Congratulations to *Endangerlings* for making the next round of the competition at Warwick University yesterday.

I am so proud of *Endangerlings* for their hard work at the regional finals yesterday. The team came away with an award for creativity after their brilliant year. Miss Bartlett has written in more detail later on in this edition.



## Food Festival

Good luck to our young bakers for tomorrow's contest at the Town Hall! Judging starts at 11.30am. Thanks to Wild-farmed who have donated some flour for the event. Watch X for updates during the day. I'm grateful to Mr Tuckey for organising this opportunity.



## What's inside this week...

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## Newquay Trip

The year 9s have had a tremendous week in Newquay. The weather has helped to make this fabulous too! Look at these blue skies! Miss Buckthorp will write in full next week for your interest. Thanks to staff for supervising the week and to the students for exemplary behaviour. I'll look forward to welcoming them all back later this afternoon.



## Bon Voyage...

To the Paris trip departing next Friday. Again, we'll update you after half term on this. Stay safe everyone!

## Year 8 Options

Thank you to parents and students for returning choices on time. Mr Hollis is now avidly working on these and we will be in touch after half term again.

## Year 10 Exams

Teachers have begun to talk to the year 10s about their exams starting week beginning 9th June.

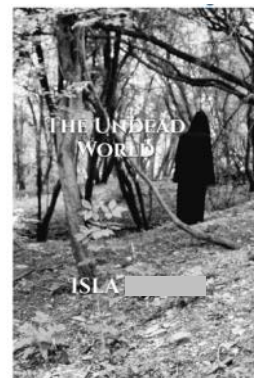
## Uniform Update – warm weather

If the temperatures soar, I will adapt the uniform in order to make students more comfortable. I will communicate with you in order to inform you. Please assume otherwise that full uniform for year 7-10 is expected every day.

## Congratulations to...

Isla in year 8 on recently becoming a published author! We are so proud of you Isla.

Page 1 of the book starts with:  
*'Screams, Pain, Tears. Three words to describe what happened. This was the end. Nothing could change it, nothing could make it so that it never happened. But this didn't break me down. It made me the person I was destined to be.'*



There is a copy in our school LRC if any students wants to find out more.

Wishing you all a beautiful weekend ahead.

Best wishes,  
Sarah Mellors—Headteacher

## Could You Be Our Next School Governor?

### Alcester Academy is seeking committed individuals to join our Governing Body

Our Governors come from a wide range of backgrounds and share a common goal: to ensure every student at Alcester Academy receives the highest quality education and support. Working closely with the Headteacher, Senior Leadership Team, and staff, Governors provide strong strategic direction and help shape the school's future.

We are proud of our welcoming, inclusive, and positive school ethos, and we believe that a strong Governing Body plays a vital role in sustaining this environment.

You don't need experience in education—just a willingness to contribute, learn, and make a difference. While the time commitment is flexible, we ask Governors to attend at least four meetings per term.

If you're interested in finding out more, please contact Mike Dean, Chair of Governors, at [mikedean@alcesteracademy.org.uk](mailto:mikedean@alcesteracademy.org.uk), or get in touch with the Academy office [admin@alcesteracademy.org.uk](mailto:admin@alcesteracademy.org.uk).

*Mike Dean—Chair of Governors*

## Dates for your diary:

Thursday 12th June 2025

Year 7 Parents' Evening. SchoolCloud

## Alcester Academy Term Dates

### SUMMER TERM 2025

Half Term

Monday 26th – Friday 30th May 2025

Back to school

Monday 2nd June 2025

*School closed*

*Friday 27th June 2025—Teacher training day*

Summer Term ends

Friday 18th July 2025 at 12.40pm

## UKMT Junior Challenge Results

Students at Alcester Academy have recently taken part in the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge. The challenge is a national competition across schools, which aims to enhance problem-solving and logical thinking skills among KS3 pupils.

At Alcester Academy, we have year 7 and 8 students from math sets 1 and 2 take part in this competition annually. We had some fantastic results in school, with students gaining bronze, silver and gold certificates.

One student, Jayden in year 8, not only received a gold certificate—the highest level of award—but he has also been invited to the next round of the competition, the UKMT Junior Kangaroo. This is a significant accomplishment, as only the top 5% of participants nationally advance to this stage.

As a school, we're incredibly proud of Jayden's achievement. We wish him all the best of luck in the follow-on round.

*Miss Home*



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## Year 9 Rotational Symmetry Competition

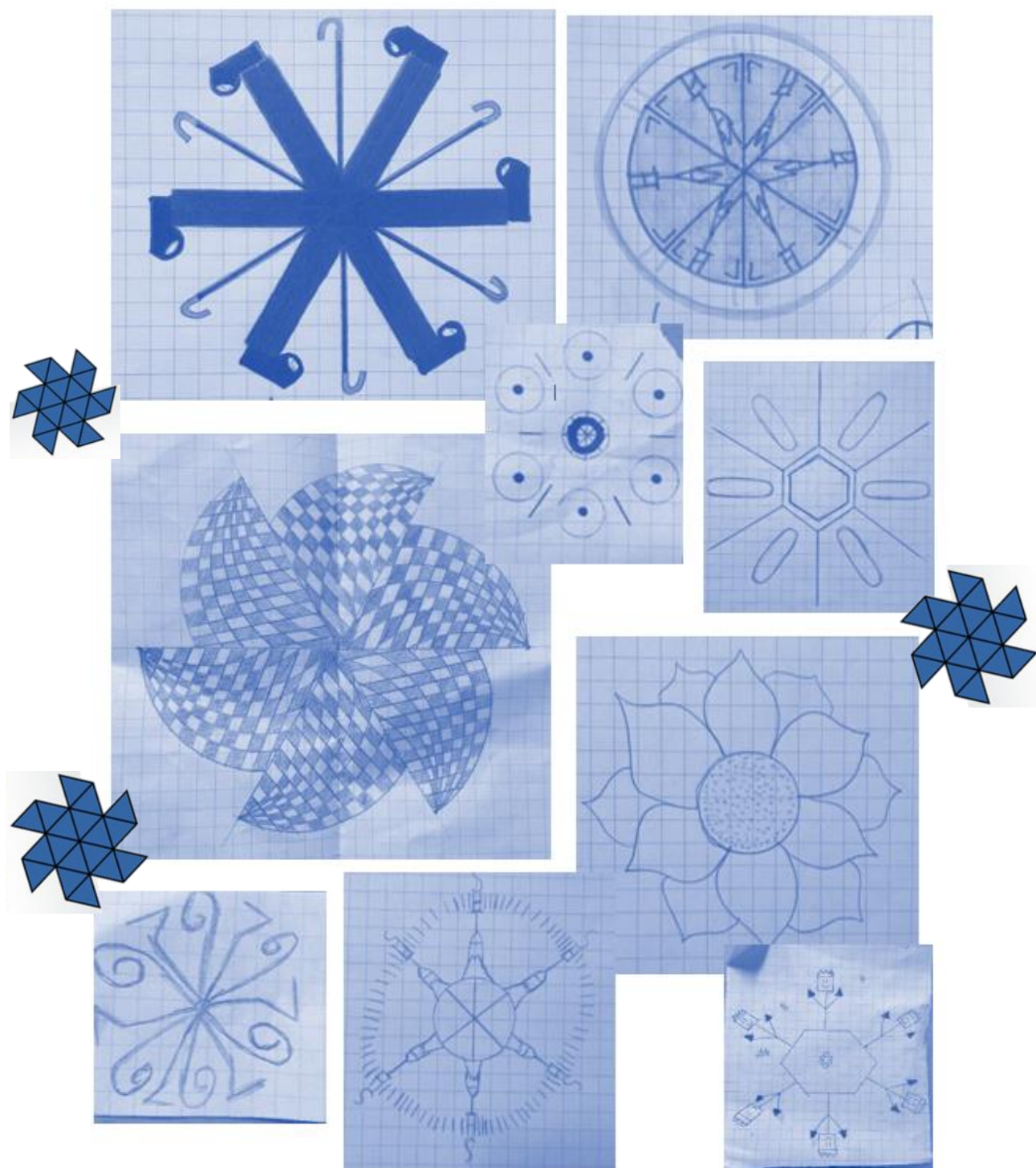
Year 9 remainder groups have been exploring rotational symmetry and took part in a competition to design an image with rotational symmetry of order 6.

Maths teachers are currently voting for their favourite, and the winner will be announced next week.

They've all shown great creativity and mathematical thinking—look at what they've produced!

Watch this space!

*Miss Home*



## Young Enterprise Triumph: *Endangerlings* Take Second Place and Creativity Trophy

Yesterday, Alcester Academy's Young Enterprise team, *Endangerlings*, were at the University of Warwick participating in the Midlands Finals following their success at the County Finals two weeks ago. They were competing against eleven other teams from sixth forms around the Midlands.

On arrival the team had to set up their stall in order to showcase their products to the judges. This was also the perfect opportunity to check out the competition! As always, their stall looked fabulous and there were nervous glances from some of the other schools. Confidence was high and they had never looked stronger.

The next stage was a Young Enterprise workshop where students all worked together to pitch for a product of their choice. Many laughs were had as students began to relax into the games before they were called for interview. Heads held high, they marched into the panel of judges and were grilled about their business. The smiles on their faces said it all when they emerged ten minutes later. It couldn't have gone better, and moral was at an all-time high.

Lunch and a campus tour later, it was presentation time. The theatre was packed to the rafters with teams, staff and of course our amazing parents who were there to support as always. The team did a phenomenal job, and we all knew that they couldn't have done any better. They had never looked stronger, and we were all extremely proud of them.

We are delighted to say that following the judge's deliberation, *Endangerlings* were awarded the creativity trophy. Although we sadly didn't make it through to the national finals, coming second is a fantastic achievement and we couldn't be happier.

This isn't the end of the *Endangerlings* journey though! They are delighted to now be collaborating with West Midlands Safari Park where they will be attending as VIP guests on 29th May. Look out for further details in the bulletin after half term.





## Epraise Leaderboard—past 7 days

### Top Students—this week:

1	Isla	8RO	Billesley	45 points
2	Leo	7LX	Ragley	19 points
2	Lottie	10MA	Billesley	19 points
2	Arthur	10BI	Billesley	19 points
2	Harriett	10MA	Oversley	19 points
6	Macie	8SO	Billesley	18 points
6	Kaitlyn	7TN	Billesley	18 points
6	Sam	10BW	Greville	18 points
9	Wilf	8AN	Billesley	17 points
9	Ella	10MO	Greville	17 points



### Top Tutor—past 7 days:

1	11MR	320 points
2	7WI	275 points
3	7RA	270 points
4	7LX	264 points
5	7TN	260 points

### Top Staff—past 7 days:

1	Mrs Marshall	322 points
2	Mrs Gorner	274 points
3	Mr Rossiter	266 points
4	Mrs Hirji	262 points
5	Miss Lewis	233 points

### Top Subjects—past 7 days:

1	Science	558 points
2	English	551 points
3	Maths	354 points
4	History	268 points
5	Art	185 points

### Top House—this week:

1	Ragley	1273 points
2	Billesley	1261 points
3	Oversley	1210 points
4	Greville	1164 points



## Attendance Updates

**Whole School Attendance  
this week is 94.9%**

**Top Tutors attendance this week:**

7RA with 98.5% attendance  
8AN with 99.1% attendance  
9GA with 97.7% attendance  
10BW with 90.5% attendance  
11MR with 100% attendance

If your child is absent from school, please inform the Attendance Officer, Mrs 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](mailto:louisehatcher@alcesteracademy.org.uk).

Thank you, Mrs 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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## LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME

### UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Supreme Court has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time (Platt v Isle of Wright 2017). The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who is absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996.

The law states a leave of absence may only be granted by a school if an application is made in advance and if it considers there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application.

Schools must judge each application individually considering the specific facts and circumstances and relevant background context behind each request.

A leave of absence is granted entirely at the school's discretion. Generally, a need or desire for a holiday or other absence for the purpose of leisure and recreation would not constitute an exceptional circumstance.

Where a leave of absence is granted, the school will determine the number of days a pupil can be absent from school.

When making an application for Leave of Absence parents are advised to give sufficient information and time to allow the Head teacher the opportunity to consider all the exceptional circumstances and to notify parents of their decision. The school may also request further information on the application and supporting documentation where appropriate.

It is advised that if the resident parent has not received notification or a response regarding the leave of absence application, it is the parents' responsibility to ascertain if the leave is authorised prior to the start of the leave.

The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent ie the parent with whom the child normally resides.

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child is expected to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence. Where a leave of absence is requested, but additional days taken either prior to or after the request may be considered as part of the leave of absence.

Leave of Absences which are not made in advance cannot be authorised in line with legislation. This will result in the absence being recorded as 'unauthorised'.

All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Warwickshire Attendance Service, part of Warwickshire County Council. Penalty Notices are issued in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices and in the first instance, as an alternative to prosecution proceedings.

#### Leave of Absence taken in the academic year 2024-25

The law relating to Penalty Notices changed with effect from 19 August 2024. Therefore, Penalty Notices issued for Leave of Absence taken from September 2024 will be issued in accordance with the updated legislation.

- Penalty Notices are issued to each parent of each absent child, (for example 2 children and 2 parents, means each parent will receive 2 invoices – 4 in total).
  - First Leave of Absence offence: The Penalty Notice amount of £160 to be paid within 28 days, this is reduced to £80 each child if paid within 21 days.
  - Second Leave of Absence offence within a 3 year period (from the date of issue of the first penalty notice): The amount of £160 paid within 28 days. No reduced amount.
- Payment plans will not be offered and/or payments received outside of the 28 day period will not be accepted. Where a penalty notice expires unpaid the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider criminal prosecution.
- Third Leave of Absence offence within a 3 year period (from the date of issue of the first penalty notice): A penalty notices will not be issued, and the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal prosecution proceedings under S444 of Education Act 1996.

**Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority.**

## Casual Driver

**Casual Driver Required Hourly Rate £13.74**

**Closing date: Friday 30th May at 12 noon**

**Starting: As soon as possible**

### [ADVERT ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE](#)

#### **The Post**

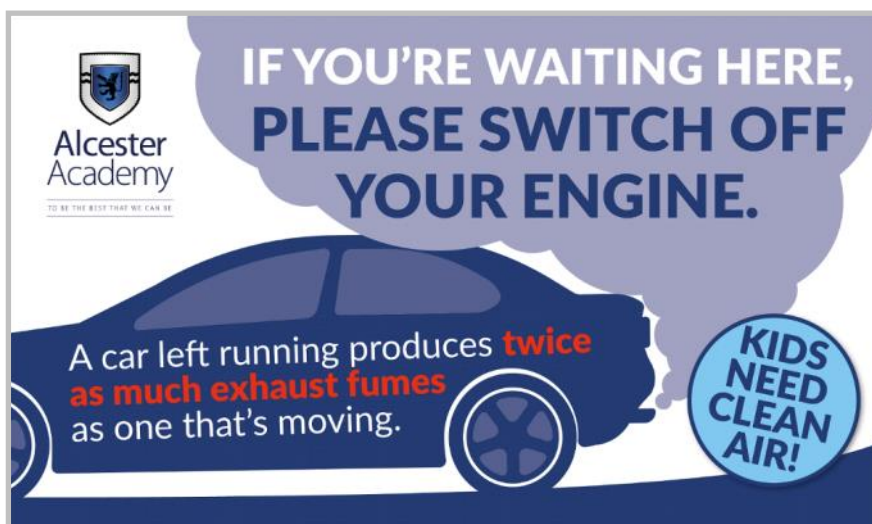
Driver required to transport students in years 7-11 from addresses in Alcester and Bidford to Alternative Education Providers in Warwickshire. Morning and afternoon collections required. Timetable of requirements will vary.

Relevant driving skills and valid licence allowing the post holder to drive a "D1" size vehicle is essential. The successful candidate will need to be prepared to complete a minibus driving test organised by the Academy.

#### **Application Process**

Interested applicants should hold a clean driving licence and be subject to a full DBS check. Could suit retired person. Please email the school if you are interested, with a full CV [admin@alcesteracademy.org.uk](mailto:admin@alcesteracademy.org.uk).

*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.*



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### Student Spotlight

This week I am proud to share the success of a significant number of students who are excelling within the sports which they compete in outside of school. Each spotlight will focus on an individual who has reached a fantastic outcome in their chosen sport in recent times. Each commitment serves as an inspiration and highlights the incredible talent and passion for sport we have within our Academy. It really is fantastic to see such a wide range of sporting talent being shown across a range of sports.

### Will—Athletics

#### Year 10, Oversley

Many congratulations to Will in year 10 who recently competed in the two day Warwickshire combined events championships, held at the Pingles Stadium in Nuneaton.

Will went into the competition knowing it was going to be a tough challenge, as he was up against the best year 10 and year 11 athletes in the county. His exceptional talent shone through during this competition with Will taking 1st place overall, and as a result qualifying for the next round of regional competition for combined events.

This is an outstanding accomplishment for Will and Alcester Academy and we are extremely proud to have a county champion athlete representing us in competition. We wish Will the best of luck with his training and preparation ahead of the regional event later this year.



### Poppy—Tennis

#### Year 7, Ragley

Our year 7 tennis superstar Poppy continues to build her experiences within the game as she continues to compete and excel whilst playing at an impressive level.

Poppy recently won a LTA Grade 4 U16 tournament in Leamington, playing some great tennis and beating a very strong and older opponent in the final, who is currently the Cambridgeshire No.1 in U14 age category. Poppy has also represented Warwickshire at the U14 girls county cup in Cheshire, playing at position 2 in the team of 5





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girls. As a part of the Warwickshire team Poppy and her teammates beat Cheshire and Northamptonshire but narrowly missed out on the chance to compete at the national finals. Overall it was an amazing weekend for Poppy to be a part of and experience.

We wish Poppy good luck as she continues to work hard both on and off the court with a busy summer of competition ahead of her.

### **Sophie—Football** **Year 11, Ragley**

Last week Sophie in year 11 signed off her Warwickshire County U16 representation by helping the team to secure a 0-2 away victory versus Staffordshire. In an entertaining match Sophie played a big part in helping her team to victory in the match. We are extremely proud of Sophie's achievements in football, both within school and the commitment she has shown to football for the Warwickshire County for the previous three years.



### **Danny—Karting** **Year 10, Billesley**

Danny in year 10 continues to show tremendous potential within karting following an impressive 3rd place achieved in a race meet at Fulbeck Kart Circuit.

Danny arrived around midday on Friday and got his kart prepared for a few hours with his driver coach. He then started to learn the track and was quite happy.

Saturday morning came and he was at the track for 8.00am ready for scrutineering which he passed. The heats started and the racing was good. It started to get very warm which affected the pressures in the tyres so these had to be checked and adjusted every time Danny went out. The kart wasn't pulling well out of the corners so a change to the sprocket was made to assist. Danny was struggling towards the end of the first day and had a headache, but he pushed through the first qualifying and got a 49.4 time.

Danny was feeling refreshed as he entered race day on Sunday, although the track temperature





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was warm from the start. Second qualifying went well and Danny got a 49.1 which he was happy with. There were then x3 heats before the final and the first heat went well. On the second heat, another racer unfortunately pushed Danny off the track causing him to lose time and position. Ending up in 4th for the last heat.

Out for the final and Danny was in 5th position and the rolling start didn't go too well with Danny ending up in last place. There was some fast racing and the number 56 came off the track as his chain came off. Everyone went flying past him, then into the second chicane another racer made a poor judgement and both number 19 and Danny took advantage. From there on in Danny pulled away from him and by the end of the race had created a 10 second gap and earned third place!

It was a long hot weekend, but some great driving and mechanic work from Danny. Well done on this fantastic performance!



### U13 Ragley and Alcester Cricket team

Congratulations to Alcester Academy students Noah, Barney, Josh, Hugh and Eli who all represented the U13 Alcester and Ragley Cricket team at the weekend and were victorious in their fixture v Lapworth.

We are proud of all of our year 7 students who were a part of this impressive victory where the team won by 143 runs and even more importantly showing the most amazing sportsmanship and teamwork along the way to victory. Congratulations to you all and good luck for the summer ahead.



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### **Savanna and Rosie—Football Year 10**

Congratulations to Savanna and Rosie in year 10 whose club team Inkberrow won the Worcester FA U15 County Cup for a second season running. Despite an incredibly hot day for a final the team, captained by Rosie, did exceptionally well to run out 7-1 winners.



### **George—Basketball Year 10, Oversley**

Well done to George in year 10 who recently won the 2024-2025 season after winning the play offs with his club team the Warwickshire Hawks. George's team have had an outstanding season winning all but one match which is a fantastic achievement! Many congratulations to George and the U15 Warwickshire Hawks team.



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28th July – 22nd August 2025

## SUMMER ROWING CAMPS

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### This week's sport

#### South Warwickshire Athletics Trial for the Warwickshire County Championships

Congratulations to our Alcester Academy athletes who have made selection for the South Warwickshire District athletics team who will be competing at the upcoming Warwickshire County Championships.

Dexter  
Daisy  
Arthur  
Will  
Tom  
Jake  
Scarlett  
Amelia  
Marijke  
Morgan

### Summer Sport

Please continue to check the weekly bulletin for clubs advertised a week in advance and on the notice board outside the changing rooms in PE.

There is no need to sign up for any clubs apart from archery, you are free to turn up at 3.25pm that afternoon.

### Next week's Sport timetable:



## \*\*THIS WEEKS SPORT\*\*: W/B 19/5/25



Day	Extra-Curricular Club & Staff	Location
Monday	No clubs – staff meeting	
Tuesday	Archery (Bowmen of Alcester) – Selected group	Gym
Wednesday	U13 Cricket v AGS	AGS
	U13 + U15 Girls Tennis v Stratford	Courts
Thursday	Year 8 Rounders	Field
	U13 + U15 Boys Tennis v Stratford	Courts
	South Warwickshire U14 Rounders Tournament	SGGS



# SUMMER OPEN MORNINGS AT ALCESTER ACADEMY



**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2025**



*The Staff and Governors of Alcester Academy warmly invite you to our*

## ***Summer Open Mornings***

**Summer Open Mornings offer a pre-bookable guided tour of the school at 9.30am or 11.35am, with a member of the SLT. To book a guided tour call the main office on 01789 762285 or alternatively email [admin@alcesteracademy.org.uk](mailto:admin@alcesteracademy.org.uk).**

**The school will also be holding  
Guided Open Mornings in the Autumn term.  
Respectfully, we ask families to book either a  
Summer Open Morning or an Autumn Open Morning.**

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# Extra Curricular Timetable

Summer 2025



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## Monday

### Lunchtime

Pride Group- E4  
Acoustic Group- Hut  
ART- A1 & A2

## Tuesday

### Lunchtime

Pop Band- Hut  
ART- A1 & A2  
Mr Palmieri's Maths Clinic  
ALL YEARS- M1  
Board Games - H3

### After School

European languages club -L2

## Wednesday

### Lunchtime

Orchestra - Hut  
ART- A1 & A2  
Chess club- M3  
Introduction to Media-E5  
Public Speaking - H2

### After school

Cooking Club -  
Alternate weeks  
Introduction to Spanish - L1  
(Summer 2)

## Thursday

### Lunchtime

Young Enterprise- IT3  
Rock Band- Hut  
Photography Club - A1  
Lego club - S4  
Warhammer club Y8- H5  
ART- A1 & A2

### After School


Art Club ( GCSE only)- A1 & A2  
Musical Theatre Club - Drama  
History Film club -H1

## Friday


### Lunchtime

STEM/Science- T2  
Year 11 Year book-H4  
ART- A1 & A2

*Endangerlings* Game  
Club - PE 1




"FRIENDS"  
OF  
ALCESTER ACADEMY



# **Bottle Donations.**

Can you spare any bottles for our bottle tombola  
at the Street Market on Sunday 8th June?



**Wine**

**Beer**

**Spirits**

**Pop**

**Squash**


**Olive Oil**

**Vinegar**


**Sauces**

**Shampoo**

**Perfume**



Donations can be brought into the school office anytime.



## CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY



An Alcester Court Leet Production

**Film And Television  
1970's to present day**

**Street Market**

Date:

**8<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025**

Time:

**1 PM-5 PM**

Location:

**ALCESTER  
HIGH STREET**

Sponsored by: **Alcester Moorfields Trust** 





# CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

ALCESTER TOWN COUNCIL

SAVE MONEY – REDUCE WASTE – RECLAIM YOUR SPACE

## GIVE & TAKE YOUR TOYS & GAMES

BRING ALONG YOUR UNWANTED, GOOD QUALITY TOYS AND GAMES AND HELP YOURSELF TO ANYTHING THAT HAS BEEN GIVEN BY OTHERS

THURSDAY 29TH MAY 10AM – 1PM

AT THE DEPOT

ERIC PAYNE COMMUNITY CENTRE ST. FAITHS ROAD B49 6AG

Questions? Call Wendy 01789 766084 info@alcester-tc.gov.uk



## NEW referral route for our children and young people's social groups

Groups are safe spaces for 7–18 year olds to connect with others, talk about different topics, and take part in activities without the need to mask.



Scan the QR for more details and to refer.

(024) 7601 2333  
casspartnership.org.uk  
navigation@casspartnership.org.uk



Warwickshire Libraries presents

## Words of Our Own: Writing Workshop

LED BY WARWICKSHIRE LIBRARIES' YOUNG POET LAUREATE

Come along to our Teen Writing Workshop! Discover new writing techniques with our Young Poet Laureate Ananditha Venkatramanan!

FREE EVENT!

YOU COULD BE OUR NEXT YOUNG POET LAUREATE!

"AMAZING AND EXCITING" Feedback from workshop attendee

SATURDAY 17TH MAY, 12.30PM - 2PM  
STRATFORD LIBRARY  
AGES: 12 - 16

For more information and to book your place, please visit:  
www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/words-of-our-own-creative-writing-workshop-tickets-125063974839?aff=oddtcreator  
or scan the QR code below:

Stratford Youth Theatre

Open

# AUDITIONS

Saturday 17th May

## THE THREE MUSKETEERS

AUDITIONS: Saturday 17th May.  
REHEARSALS: 4th - 15th August.  
PERFORMANCES: Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th August.  
AGES: 11 years and above.

CONTACT US: sytadmin@stratfordyouththeatre.com

Casting for all parts.  
Be part of the cast for this heroic retelling of The Three Musketeers and help us bring the unforgettable Athos, Aramis & Porthos to life this summer.



# CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY



## Are you looking after someone else's child?

This could be Private Fostering. Private Fostering is when a child or young person under 16 years old (or under 18 if disabled) goes to live with someone for 28 days or more by private arrangement with someone who is not a:

- parent
- close relative (brother, sister, aunt, uncle, grandparent or married step parent)
- guardian or a person with parental responsibility

If you think this may be a Private Fostering arrangement please contact Warwickshire Family Connect on **01926 414144** for support and guidance.

You can also visit **[www.warwickshire.gov.uk/privatefostering](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/privatefostering)** for more information on Private Fostering in Warwickshire.





# CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

## ALCESTER REPAIR CAFE

Would like to invite you to  
**THE BIG FIX 2025**  
to celebrate our skilled  
repairers!!

Breathe new life into your  
broken household items,  
reduce waste and save  
money!!  
Enjoy a complimentary  
drink and cake on us!!




Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2pm until 4:30pm at  
The Eric Payne Community Centre, Alcester.  
Tel: 01789 766084



## Bee Squared

### Best Wild flower competition



Remember those wildflower seeds you picked  
up last year? Send a photo of your flowers  
once they are in bloom and the best one will  
receive a prize to visit All Things Wild.  
Send to: [beesquaredalcester@gmail.com](mailto:beesquaredalcester@gmail.com)  
For more info visit: [alcester-  
tc.gov.uk/information/natural-environment](http://alcester-tc.gov.uk/information/natural-environment)  
last entries 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025

Bees are vital to the health of our planet and the food we eat. They are also a vital part of our natural heritage. By supporting bees, we can help to protect our environment and ensure a sustainable future for all. This competition is a great way to celebrate the beauty of our wildflowers and the hard work of our bees. We hope you will all enjoy taking part and we look forward to seeing your beautiful flowers in bloom.

## YOUNG VOLUNTEERS



**Summer Reading Challenge  
Volunteers need to be:**

- Confident with younger children aged 4-11-years
- Enjoy talking about books & reading
- Aged between 13 and 18 years-old

[warwickshire.gov.uk/jobs-volunteering/library-volunteering-opportunities-1/2](http://warwickshire.gov.uk/jobs-volunteering/library-volunteering-opportunities-1/2)

Scan the QR code & apply  
before Fri 30th May 2025




## Holiday Lunch Club

**FREE FOOD FOR KIDS!**

**Wednesday 28th May  
12:30pm – 1:30pm**

**FIRST COME FIRST SERVED!  
WHEN IT'S GONE, IT'S GONE!**

at the Depot,  
Eric Payne Community Centre  
off St Faiths Road  
Alcester B49 6AG