

# Alcester Academy WEEKLY BULLETIN



22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024

## SPORTS NEWS \* SPORTS NEWS \*

### End of term—final word

As we reach the Easter break, I am proud to look back on another brilliant year for Alcester Academy within our Autumn and Spring terms. Despite the considerable wet weather we have had this year, I have been delighted with our students continued obsession with sport and the progress being made in established and emerging sports at Alcester Academy. Within this edition of the school bulletin I hope you will enjoy reading some match reports for a number of end of term sporting fixtures across the year groups.

This Wednesday we had a fantastic evening of celebration for Alcester Academy sport. We were joined by GB Athlete Joel Fearon, who gave us an inspiring insight into his experiences of competing in sport at the highest level. I look forward to sharing with you a full report of our Sports Awards Evening in the school bulletin after the Easter break, but well done to all



students involved in Alcester Academy sport from the past year, those nominated and our award winners for 2023-2024.

We look ahead to the summer term and resuming our traditional summer sports both within extra-curricular clubs and within curriculum PE. We also look forward to the Academy's first cup final for a number of years with our year 11 football team taking on Myton School on Wednesday 10th April—details to follow.

Wishing you all a Happy Easter and restful holiday.

Mr P Moffatt  
Head of PE



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### Student Spotlight

#### Will (year 9) Pentathlon and Cross Country

On Sunday 10th March, Will travelled to Sheffield where he competed in the England Indoor Pentathlon Championship. This consists of hurdles, shot put, long jump, high jump, and 800m. To get to this standard of competition Will had to get an invite to compete through previous qualifiers—in itself an impressive achievement.

After getting two personal bests during the event - one in shot put and one in hurdles, next up was the long jump and high jump competitions for Will. At the end of the day he went on to run the fastest time of the day in 800m which is an absolutely outstanding achievement.

Overall Will placed 12 out of 24 of the best Pentathlon athletes across the country and beyond, meaning Will now ranks as the 12th best Pentathlete in the whole of the UK—congratulations!

On the 16th March, Will competed in the English Schools Cross Country Championships. With a field of 343, it was a very quick start with boys fighting to get into position. Will finally settled down into his stride as the race developed. Feeling strong on his last lap Will started to overtake several of his competition. The grip was almost none with tough wet and muddy conditions underfoot. Pushing through to the finish, Will continued to overtake more competitors going into the finish, with the thick mud taking a lot out of Will's legs and energy, he was able to pull himself through to a 39th place finish.

Well done Will on your truly outstanding achievements, you are an outstanding athlete and it is a real testament to the dedication you have shown to both sports.

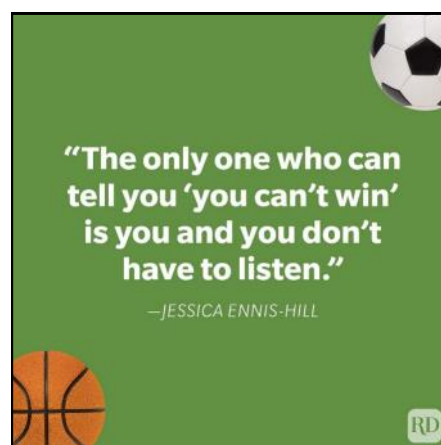


#### Marijke (year 9) Cross Country

On the 16th March, Marijke competed in the English Schools Cross Country Championships. As the number 1 runner in qualification for the Warwickshire County team, Marijke had qualified for this elite event with a special achievement being reached. The Championships gave Marijke a further opportunity to add to her amazing experiences within cross-country and compete against some exceptional long distance runners.



We are extremely proud of you Marijke for the dedication and determination you have shown and finishing as a representative at national competition is a phenomenal achievement within any sporting context.





## Josh and Oli Basketball

Josh and Oli (year 11) continue to experience outstanding success within basketball, where they have represented Worcester Wolves National Under 16s this year.

The team won their league this weekend and are now through to the playoffs where they will test themselves against some of the best basketball players from across England. A fantastic achievement for our two basketball stars, best of luck from us all at Alcester Academy for the playoffs.



Next up we faced Stourport who raced to a 12-2 lead at half time but the boys pulled it back well in the second half to lose 20-8 in the end.

Nunnery Wood were up next and we couldn't seem to find the basket going down 8-4 but things perked up in our fourth match where we found our scoring touch to close out the tournament with a 10-6 victory.

All in all a great day of basketball and congratulations to the whole squad—Ben, Noah, Noah, Luca, Olly, Freddie, Ethan and Henry—on their progress throughout the day.

## U13 Girls Football v Studley

Congratulations to our U13 girls for an impressive win over Studley last week. The girls started strongly and raced into a well deserved early lead, with some direct football and excellent finishing. Studley battled back in the second half to keep the match competitive but our girls defended well and resiliently to hold on to the win.

An entertaining watch for spectators with plenty of goals for both teams and great spirit and determination shown by all.

Well done to Daisy who was voted Player of the Match by our opponents.



## Year 7 Junior NBA Basketball

On Wednesday Stourport HS hosted the group stage of the year 7 Junior NBA tournament. We started off with a local derby v AGS, and narrowly lost out on *Golden Basket* after an 8-8 draw in regular time, with Noah scoring with seconds to go to tie it up.



## Year 7 Netball Tournament

Our year 7 netball team finished in 3rd place in the South Warwickshire B Team Tournament held at AGS. It was a great evening enjoyed by all!



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### Year 10 Basketball v Stratford

On Monday year 10 travelled to take on Stratford in the District Basketball Cup Semi Final. After two even quarters it was honours even with both teams playing solid defence and shooting well. It was more of the same in the second half but Stratford managed to find another gear and stretched away in the final quarter, leaving the final score as 57-45 to SHS.

It was a great display of Basketball by both sides and it was good to see the scoring shared around with Finlay, Jonas, Archie and Zak all netting, and Kobe leading the way with 25 points. Well played to all squad members.



### Year 10 Football v Aylesford



Last week our year 10 team travelled to Warwick to take on league leaders Aylesford in their end of season football match. Despite playing some good football early on following kick off, Aylesford began to assert control on the match, particularly with some direct counter attacking play. Despite the best efforts of the team, Aylesford continued to add to their teams total with some ruthless finishing up front. In spite of going in at the break

leading by 5, our year 10s did not give up and were determined to make a fight of the second half. The lads regrouped and battled well, showing great resilience and determination. Final score 7-1 to Aylesford. Some tough lessons learned for our year 10 team to take into next year's cup football.

### Year 9 Football v Campion

Our year 9 team took on Campion School last week in a league match, with the lads desperate for their first win of the season. We took a large squad over to Leamington for the match and it was brilliant to have 16 year 8 and 9 students representing the Academy in this fixture.

Despite tough playing conditions and heavy rainfall during the match, our U14s played some brilliant football throughout the match. The Campion goalkeeper was brilliant, particularly in the first half, keeping out a number of efforts on goal from Toby and Tom. The team were playing with great confidence and passing the ball well and also using the counter attack to great effect. Unfortunately against the run of play Campion were awarded a penalty which was put away into the bottom corner. Campion then soon after added a second against the run of play with Alcester pushing for the equaliser. Our team continued to battle on into the second half although an unfortunate own goal put an end to a comeback for Alcester. Despite not being the wanted result, it was a much improved performance from our year 9s who played some brilliant football throughout the match.

Tom in year 8 was voted player of the match by his peers on the journey home—well done!



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### Sport – Summer term

We look forward to seeing you back and well rested after the Easter break.

Sports Clubs for Summer term will begin in the second week back w/b 15/4/24, with timetable to follow w/b 8/4/24.

There are just two fixtures taking place in the first week back after Easter:



### **\*\*THIS WEEK'S SPORT\*\*:** **W/B 8/4/24**



<i>Day</i>	<i>Extra-Curricular Club &amp; Staff</i>	<i>Location</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>No clubs– staff training</i>	
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Archery (Selected) – Bowmen of Alcester– PW Year 10 Rugby v AGS and Tudos Grange - MO</i>	<i>Gym Alcester Rugby Club</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Year 11 Football Cup Final v Myton School - MO</i>	<i>Central Ajax FC.</i>
<i>Thursday</i>		

### Year 11 Football – District Cup

We wish our year 11 football team the very best of luck as they take on Myton School in the District Cup final on 10/4/24 taking place at Central Ajax FC. KO time and match squad tbc.



## Headlines by Mrs Mellors

Dear Parents and Carers,

Phew! That was the quickest term ever. I'm certain that you'll agree with that too. We have fit in such a lot together. Thank you all.

Thanks to Mr Moffatt for taking the time to highlight all things related to PE and sport first this week. We are looking forward to giving you a full update on Sports Awards evening in the edition after Easter. We had a really wonderful evening here in school this week with Joel Fearon as our very special guest presenter. He was so easy to listen to with a good degree of humour built in too. Congratulations to everyone who was nominated, for terrific commitment in their fields. Thank you to parents and carers for supporting this also. It was so lovely to see everyone.

I'm grateful to Mr Badham and our Rock Academy for starting the week off with a glorious acoustic concert on Monday at the Grieg Hall. It was just what we all needed. Yet again, we were all in absolute awe of our fabulous bands. Don't forget that if you are able to spread the word on our Just Giving page for the refurb of the new Rock Academy space, we'd be very grateful.



### Neurodiversity Week

We have been thinking about neurodiversity week in school as our theme this week. [Neurodiversity Celebration Week \(neurodiversityweek.com\)](https://neurodiversityweek.com)

I'm grateful to those staff involved in organising the work for this. It impacts on so many of our families



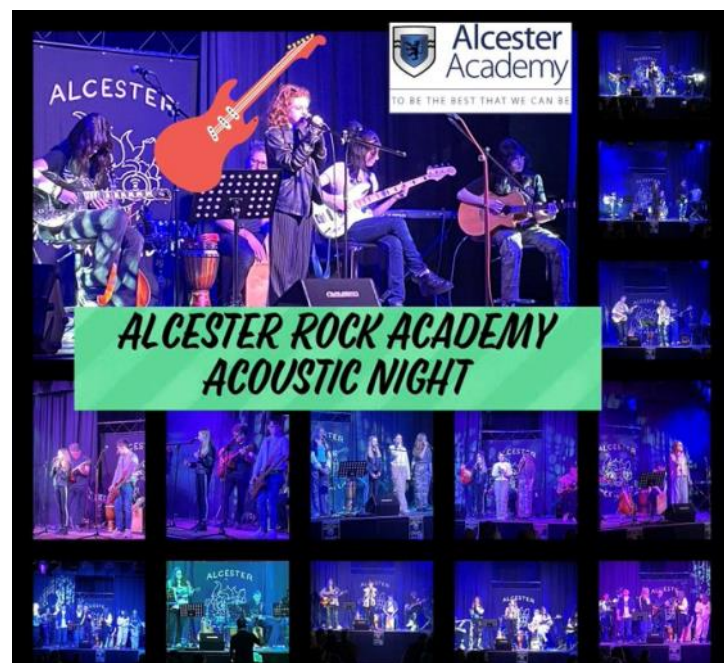
## Neurodiversity Celebration Week

**STUDIO APPEAL!**  
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**DONATE NOW WITH**  
**JustGiving™**

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/alcester-rock-academy>



## Year 11 updates

Many thanks to the AGS staff team for interviewing year 11s last Friday. It was a tense atmosphere around school, but our students did incredibly well.

Our traditional year 11 group photo was taken in the hall on Tuesday. I can't wait to see the proof of this.

I am writing to year 11 parents now on a weekly basis as we run up to the first GCSE exam on the 10th May. We look forward to seeing year 11 students in school next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for additional preparation sessions.

Good luck to the year 11s on their international football trip over Easter! I'm excited to hear all about it when you return. Stay safe everyone!

## Mock Trial Team

Congratulations to our fabulous mock trial team for their work on Saturday in Worcester. This was the conclusion of months of hard work with Mrs Farnell.



Congratulations especially to Jacob in year 9 who won in a highly commended category!

## Year 9 Super Learning Day

Year 9 had an informative day this week delivered by Loudmouth called *Calling It Out*. RSHE Workshop: harmful sexual behaviours, sexual harassment, sexual assault, pornography, consent, misogyny ([loudmouth.co.uk](http://loudmouth.co.uk))

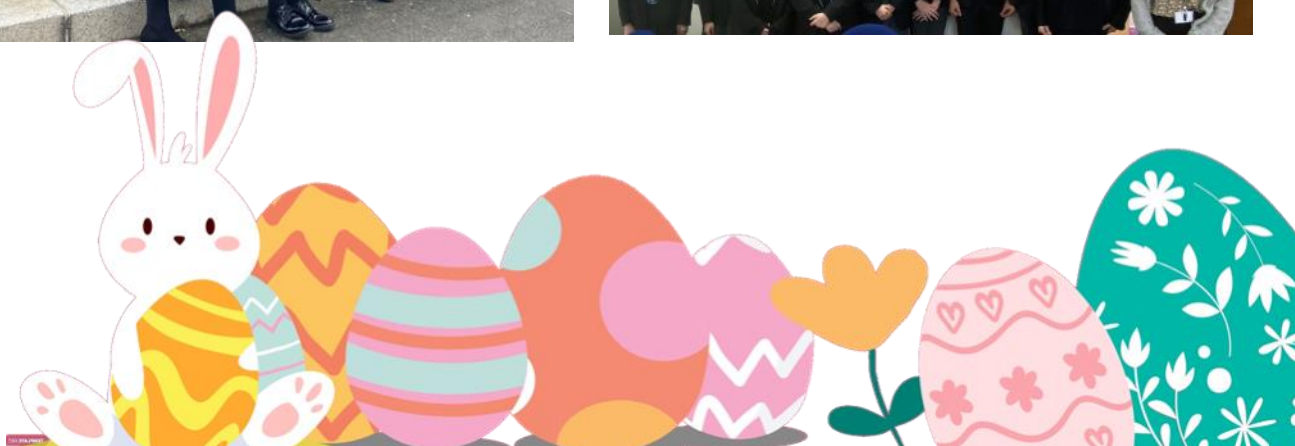
*Calling It Out reinforces to students the vital message of non-tolerance of harmful sexual behaviour. The performance and discussion-based workshop explore where these behaviours are coming from and alternative positive behaviours. The programme raises the groups' awareness of the huge impacts these everyday incidences of sexual harassment and assault can have on girls and young women and how we all have a role in safely challenging and reporting these behaviours.*

## Year 8 Climate Conference

A student delegate has written a short piece later in the bulletin for you on our very first Climate Conference this week for year 8s. Thanks to everyone involved on such a successful day. Miss McKenzie and I thoroughly enjoyed posing as UN Ambassadors being persuaded to sign the Charter for Climate Change.

## Congratulations to our new Numeracy Leaders

I was delighted to award our new leaders with their numeracy badge this week. I'm excited to hear about their future work in school.





### New staff - Maths

Ms P Hirji will be joining the maths team permanently after Easter. Ms Hirji has been appointed as second in maths and will be Acting Head of maths during Miss Elliott's maternity leave. Ms Hirji joins us from a secondary school in Loughborough. We will then be fully staffed in this subject area. Mr Dallow rejoins us after Easter also. I know that everyone will make these staff feel very welcome.

### Congratulations to...

Huge congratulations and well done to Bob in year 8 for earning his black belt in Tang Soo Do. We are very proud of him.

### Reports

I have been thrilled to sign many letters of commendation this week for some exceptional reports. Well done to these students. I was just so proud!

### Uniform refresh

We've updated the students today regarding the inform expectations after Easter in our whole school assembly. We'd appreciate it if students do not return with false eye lashes and additional piercings especially. Shoes should be polishable as always.

Tailored shorts are allowed for girls and boys after Easter in all year groups. These should be mid grey, knee length with no cargo pockets.

Thank you all for helping to keep the students looking really smart. You should have received an separate letter with these reminders on earlier in the week.

Students enjoyed receiving their praise certificates this morning in tutor time. And we heard from the Student Leaders after School Council meetings this half term in their first virtual assembly to the whole school. The week ended then with a reward break time today. The Alcester Academy Easter Egg Hunt took place for the third year running and our students avidly hunted for their hidden tokens that were exchanged for chocolate treats!

I can't wait to report back after the year 10 Berlin trip after Easter. Thanks to staff who have given up their weekend and part of their holiday for this experience. I'm always grateful to the entire staff team, and to governors for the support offered each day to students at Alcester Academy. I would like to take this opportunity to wish them all a restful couple of weeks ahead.

And so, to a little bit of family time for us all. I do hope that you have a peaceful Easter holiday. We will be switching off for a while and so please do schedule any emails needed for when we all return on Monday 8th April.

Happy Easter everyone!

Best wishes,  
*Sarah Mellors*  
Headteacher





## Climate Conference event held in the LRC

On Tuesday, we had an off timetable extra-curricular day all about climate change.

Thirty students in year 8 all had the opportunity to research and plan and deliver a speech about a topic.

Topics ranged from British Antarctic Survey, Bangladesh and its Government, and not forgetting Tuvalu (the forgotten island!) and not forgetting the hosts!

I am now going to break down the day!

Lesson 1—To start off the day we all got into groups of four and got given our topic. We then researched all the negatives and positives suppressing wherever our topic was located.

Lesson 2—We then came up with different climate change solutions to help the countries avoid the different dangerous scenarios.

Lesson 3 & 4—During these lessons we wrote up our speeches and had our practise run through!

Lesson 5—In lesson 5 we presented our speeches to the UN leaders (Mrs Mellors and Miss McKenzie) and we had lots of fun!

Thank you to Mrs Sandells for organising this humanities day!

*Written by Monty (8TU)*



## Warwickshire Secondary Book Award 2024

Sixteen of our year 7 and 8 students have been reading and completing activities around six books that were shortlisted for the Warwickshire Secondary Book Award, run by the School Library Service. On Thursday 14th March pupils voted for their favourite reads and on Wednesday this week, along with Mrs Bennett who drove the minibus for us, we attended the Warwickshire Book Award Final at King's High School in Warwick.

Three of the authors; S F Said, Nathanael Lessore, and Anthony McGowan attended, and the students were able to meet them and have books signed. They were also excited to have their photos taken with them.

We were very proud to have two competition winners! Eva won a prize for her fantastic drawing of a character from one of the books, and Hester wrote a blog about taking part in the book award.

The shortlisted books for the 2024 award were:  
The Door of No Return – Alexander Kwame,  
When I See Blue – Lily Bailey, The Lighthouse – Alex Bell, Steady For This – Nathanael Lessore, Dogs of the Deadlands – Anthony McGowan and Tyger – S F Said.

Twenty schools across Warwickshire took part in the award and the overall book voted for by all the students was—  
When I See Blue—Lily Bailey.  
*Mrs Hands*





## Safeguarding over the Easter holiday



<https://www.safeguardingwarwickshire.co.uk/safeguarding-children>

If you have concerns that a child is suffering any form of abuse, neglect or cruelty contact the Warwickshire Children and Families Front Door (Front Door) 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.





## Mock Trial battle for Alcester Academy

The year 9 mock trial team competed at Worcester-shire Magistrates Court on Saturday 16th March 2024 against ten other schools from the region.



Our formidable team consisted of three magistrates, four lawyers, four witnesses (including our defendant Jacob) and four court professionals. The prosecution team were up against a strong defence from Aston Fields and our witness for the prosecution, Finlay did a fantastic job of holding his nerve against some intense cross examination. The defence team successfully argued their case with Rosie and Arturo fighting to have the case against their client acquitted.

The comments from the judges praised the students' hard work, commitment and dedication and Jacob was highly commended by the panel.

It was a wonderful experience for me to bring this team of students to such a prestigious event and I am really very proud of everything they achieved.  
*Mrs Farnell*

### Alcester Academy Term Dates

#### SUMMER TERM 2024

<b>Summer Term begins</b>	<b>Monday 8th April 2024</b>
May Bank Holiday	Monday 6th May 2024
Half Term	Monday 27th – Friday 31st May 2024
<b>Back to school</b>	<b>Monday 3rd June 2024</b>
Summer Term ends	Friday 19th July 2024 at 12.40pm





Some of our year winners who received awards for the the most amount of Epraise points. A special mention to Chloe who received student of the term and top Epraise student for year 7.

# EASTER Egg Hunt



This morning saw our annual Easter Egg Hunt take place, with over 550 Easter Eggs on offer! The students had to find a token and then go to the hall to claim their prize.

It was a lovely way to end the term. *Miss Buckthorp*



## Congratulations to our Spring term winners!

Chloe	7KO	Student of the Term	Highest attainment in year group this term
Naomi	8SI	Student of the Term	Highest attainment in year group this term
Mia	9BI	Student of the Term	Highest attainment in year group this term
Osian	10PW	Student of the Term	Highest attainment in year group this term
Jess	11GO	Student of the Term	Highest attainment in year group this term

Macie	7KO	Progress	Best progress across all subjects this term
Lottie-Dot	8YA	Progress	Best progress across all subjects this term
Daisy	9SA	Progress	Best progress across all subjects this term
Lucas	10PW	Progress	Best progress across all subjects this term
Jacob	11HE	Progress	Best progress across all subjects this term

<b>EPRAISE Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Tutor</b>	<b>Points— Spring Term</b>
1st Place Year 7	Chloe	7KO	143 points
2nd Place Year 7	Jack	7TN	139 points
3rd Place Year 7	Ethan	7KO	123 points
1st Place Year 8	Ilani	8QA	149 points
2nd Place Year 8	Anthony	8QA	126 points
2nd Place Year 8	Matilda	8YA	119 points
1st Place Year 9	Immy	9SA	130 points
2nd Place Year 9	Georgia	9BW	119 points
3rd Place Year 9	Ashlyn	9BW	110 points
1st JOINT Place Year 10	Mia	10SO	86 points
1st JOINT Place Year 10	Osian	10PW	86 points
3rd Place Year 10	Liv	10AN	85 points
1st JOINT Place Year 11	Rachel	11GO	87 points
1st JOINT Place Year 11	Lucy	11GO	87 points
3rd Place Year 11	Henry	11GO	84 points



## Food Waste Week @ Alcester Academy

All schools want their pupils to eat as healthy as they can and as sustainably as possible. This week in tutor time we have been thinking about food waste and trying to reduce it in school. In the UK, we throw away about 4.7 million tonnes of edible food waste each year. That's worth £17 billion – or £80 a month for the average family with children.



Today I interviewed our canteen manager, Marie about what happens in our school canteen. She told me that on a regular basis around £20 to £30 worth of food is going to waste most days and it can depend on what day it is.

In the last year the canteen has reduced food waste by 20% so this is a really good start, but we need to try

Food waste contributes about 8-10% of the world's manmade greenhouse gas emissions. When waste food breaks down, it releases greenhouse gases that contribute to climate change. A lot of energy and water is used to produce food, so when we throw food away, all that energy and water is wasted too. Wasting food isn't just bad for our pockets, it's bad for our planet.

and reduce it further. At the moment the waste is just thrown away, but it would be good if it could be given to students in some way. We believe all schools can reduce food waste. All it takes is a little work and you could make a huge difference in your school's canteen.

Written by *Amber 7WI*



## Food Waste Focus

In tutor time this week students have been learning about food waste, the theme for this national week is, "Choose what you use." As part of this students learnt about the Alcester Community Fridge and how this new initiative is really making a difference in our local community.



no longer saleable. All are welcome to come along and take a bag full, it is completely free.

Thanks to this, 67kg of food is saved from landfill each day. It is currently open 6 days per week for an hour each time, 27 people on average visit each session, which equates to 67

people or families that benefit from the Community Fridge.

The Alcester Community Fridge (ACF) opened its doors in July 2022. It is a project of Alcester Baptist Church and can be found in the grounds of the church.

Food is collected from supermarkets and local businesses that is perfectly safe to consume but

The ACF is able to do this with thanks to an amazing, committed team of 40 volunteers. Per year, the community of Alcester saves 21,000kg of food from going to waste by using and supporting the fridge. *Miss Buckthorp*



**Alcester  
Community  
Fridge**



## National Poetry Week



Oh Easter Easter, the time  
to think about Jesus'  
crucification,  
The bunny comes and delivers chocolate  
eggs,  
The happy children have smiles on their  
innocent faces,  
Everyone is excited for hot cross buns,  
People are eating chocolate tons and tons!  
The time of year to laugh and cheer,  
Oh Easter Easter, However, buying lots of  
chocolate can be ever so dear!



*By Tia and Anna*

This week in the English department students were given the opportunity to enter an Easter poem competition.

Team Tia and Anna won the in class competition for the best Easter poem, and Team Jess and Jess were very close runners up! Well done everyone for taking part.

*Mrs Gorner*



# Easter Fun !



The Easter bunny hops around with its basket

Sharing all of the fun

Hopping around with his hot cross buns

Making sure there is enough for everyone even though

there are chocolate chicks to share

Leaving traces of his hair

Ensured to get children racing down the stairs

Hopping home fast, can't let the children see me pass

Enjoy hunting round the garden

For the bunny's little eggs



Happy Easter everyone and enjoy those eggs !

*By Jess and Jess*



## LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Supreme Court clarified 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 regulations regarding Leave of Absence (The Education (Pupil Regulations) (England) Regulations 2006 as amended by Education (Pupil Regulations) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013.) advise:

- Head teachers **shall not** grant **any** Leave of Absence during term time **unless they consider** there are **exceptional** circumstances relating to the application.

If the leave is granted, Head teachers are able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for.

It is for the Head teacher to decide what is 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. When making an application for Leave of Absence in advance 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. It is advised that if the resident parent has not received notification or a response regarding the leave of absence application, it is their 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 will be required 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, which may result in legal action being taken against the parent(s), by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice.

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 and could result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to the parent(s).

*Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case-by-case basis and on its own merits.*

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'. This may result in legal action against the parent, by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice. All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Warwickshire Attendance Service, part of Warwickshire County Council.

**It is important to note**, Fixed 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 in the amount of £120 each, totalling £240 for both children, this is reduced to £60 per child if paid within 21 days).

Where a Fixed Penalty Notice is not paid within the required timeframe as set out on the notice, the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal proceedings under S444 Education Act 1996.

Fixed Penalty Notices are issued in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices.

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

**Warwickshire School pupils recorded 96,366 half day sessions of absence  
due to holiday in the Academic year 2021/22.**

## Attendance Updates



**Whole School Attendance this term is 93%**

### Top tutors this term:

*Year 7 with 95.7% attendance*

*Year 8 with 92.6% attendance*

*Year 9 with 89.3% attendance*

*Year 10 with 94.6% attendance*

*Year 11 with 93.0% attendance*

Thank you for all your support this Spring term. If your child is absent from school, please inform the Attendance Officer, Mrs Louise Hatcher, of the reason before 9.30am 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

## Epraise Leaderboard—Spring Term 2023

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### Top Students—this Spring term:

1	Ilani	8GA	150 points
2	Chloe	7KO	143 points
3	Jack	7TN	139 points
4	Immy	9SA	133 points
5	Anthony	8GA	127 points
6	Ethan	7KO	124 points
6	Olivia	7WI	124 points
8	Georgia	9BW	122 points
9	Isabella	7RA	121 points
10	Molly	7KO	120 points

### Top Staff—this Spring term:

1	Mr Yarrington	3344 points
2	Mrs Gorner	3341 points
3	Mr Rossiter	3123 points
4	Miss Lewis	2722 points
5	Mrs Weatherley	2273 points
6	Mr Martin	2179 points
7	Mrs Kowal	1808 points
8	Miss Home	1613 points
9	Mrs Marshall	1385 points
10	Mr Jones	1230 points

### Top Tutor—this Spring term:

1	7KO	2212 points
2	7RA	2158 points
3	7LX	2157 points
4	8SI	2104 points
5	8TY	2060 points
6	7TN	2043 points
7	7WI	2038 points
8	8GA	1959 points
9	8YA	1677 points
10	8TU	1656 points

### Top Subjects—this Spring term:

1	English	7907 points
2	History	4115 points
3	Maths	3867 points
4	Art	3807 points
5	Science	2954 point
6	French	2408 points
7	Religious Studies	1540 points
8	IT	910 points
9	German	850 points
10	Geography	780 points



## Extra Curricular Clubs—Summer Term 2024

Watch this space—  
There will be a brand new Extra Curricular Clubs timetable  
after the Easter break. It will start the second week in!

*Miss Sacco*



## Year 11 revision timetable

Please find attached our revision timetable for this half term. Pupils need to ensure that they have their prom/hoodie card signed by their teachers after completing a successful revision session. *Mr Cooke*

Day	Option lunch 1.50-2.20pm	Option after school 3.35-4.15pm
Monday	French, Sport PE1 / Study room M5	
Tuesday	Further maths PE1 Study room S5	English
Wednesday	ICT Creative iMedia Media Studies catch up Study room E2	Computer Science Hospitality and Catering DT
Thursday	German/Study room E2 Geography H2 and H3	Art & Photography History
Friday		Science



# TEXTACADEMY

**Report incidents of bullying, theft,  
cyber issues, crime or anti-social behaviour**



**I'm being bullied - I don't know what to do -**

***textacademy to 07563130478***

***with your message***

***or***

***email your message to:***

***textacademy@alcesteracademy.org.uk***

# 07563130478

# CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY





**Connect  
for Health**  
Your school nursing service

## CONNECT FOR HEALTH

**Your School Nursing Service in Warwickshire**

### WHO WE ARE

Connect for Health is a school nurse-led service that support children, young people and their families in Warwickshire. We delivery key element of the Healthy Child programme, working to identify and meet the health and wellbeing needs of the school-age population and give individuals the best possible start in life.



### HEALTH SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

Our service is here for all school-aged children (aged 5 to 19, or up to 25 for individuals with SEND) and their parent/carers - regardless of whether they attend a mainstream school.

Support can be provided in a way that suits you, including: individually face-to-face or over the phone, in group workshops or via our confidential messaging services.

### WHAT WE CAN SUPPORT WITH...

- Healthy eating
- Dental health
- Friendships and relationships
- Body image
- Bullying
- School anxiety
- Fussy eating
- Sleep

- Continence
- Mental health
- Sexual health
- Long-term medical conditions
- Gender and sexuality
- Parenting
- Behaviour
- Refer to additional service

**Do you want to work for the School Nursing service?**  
**View our Stratford team vacancies...**

**Why not read our monthly newsletters online!**






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## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

### At The Depot Youth Club

Passionate about helping young people?  
Interested in sport, mentoring, music, or games?  
Would you like to make a difference to young people's lives?  
Available on a Thursday evening between 6.30 - 8pm?  
Contact Wendy for more information:  
info@alcester-tc.gov.uk Tel: 01789 766084 or just pop along on either a Tuesday or Thursday evening and ask for Becky  
No experience necessary, just enthusiasm




## SPEND

Support for Parents of children with Educational needs, Neurodiversity and Difficulties.


*SPEND is a monthly parent/carer support group for people caring for children with additional needs who feel isolated or overwhelmed in Alcester, Bidford, Studley and surrounding villages.*




*Come and spend time with people who understand.*

**NEXT MEETING: FRIDAY 12TH APRIL 2024 - 9.45-11.15AM  
AND ON THE 2ND FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH**

The Depot, Eric Payne Community Centre  
off St Faith's Road, Alcester, B496AG



## Alcester Community Shed




**Public Meeting on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm – 4pm**

**@The Depot, Eric Payne Community Centre, off St. Faiths Road, Alcester**  
*Come along and help shape & support this exciting new venture. Share your thoughts on how it should be developed and the type of activities you would like to take part in.*

**Refreshments available. Everyone welcome**

For further information contact: Wendy Sherwood  
Tel: 01789 766084  
Email: [info@alcester-tc.gov.uk](mailto:info@alcester-tc.gov.uk)



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JOIN THE  
**Super  
1s**



All disabilities welcome  
Ages 12-25

CHALLENGE YOURSELF  
BE MORE ACTIVE  
IMPROVE YOUR SKILLS  
MAKE NEW FRIENDS

**Free inclusive  
cricket sessions!**

**WHEN:**  
Every Wednesday 4pm - 5pm  
(Starting 10 April 2024)

**WHERE:**  
Stratford-upon-Avon CC,  
Swans Nest Lane,  
Stratford CV37 7LS

**CONTACT:**  
Rob Eynon  
robeynon@edgbaston.com

[www.lordstaverners.org/super1s](http://www.lordstaverners.org/super1s)



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TREATS



**Children's  
Holiday Lunches**

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March and  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

12:30 – 1:30 pm  
The Depot, Eric  
Payne  
Community  
Centre

