

Alcester Academy WEEKLY BULLETIN

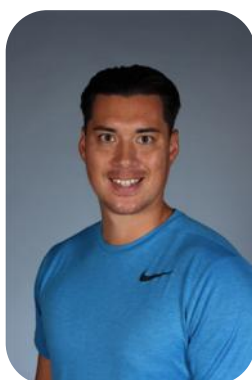


3rd July 2026

Alcester Academy Summer Sport Round Up

Dear parents, carers, and students

Welcome to this week's bulletin. As Head of PE, I am delighted to be taking over the introduction this week to celebrate what has been an extraordinary term of summer sport, and to reflect on our incredible season to date for many of our students and summer sports teams.



Summer term is always a whirlwind in the PE department, but the energy, dedication and talent on display over the last few weeks has made this one particularly memorable. From the cricket field and the athletics tracks to the tennis courts, our students have thrown themselves into action with immense pride and fantastic sportsmanship, which we are incredibly proud of.

Whether it is our elite teams competing in intense regional fixtures or students discovering a new passion during core PE lessons and after school clubs, the participation levels this summer have been a pleasure to see.

In the pages following, you will find a full overview of Academy summer sport so far,

including a number of both individual and team achievements, as well as a gallery of our wonderful role models who have represented us so well.

Thank you, as always, to the parents and carers who support with transport to and from fixtures and practises, and to our dedicated staff who make this extensive sports programme possible. Let's keep this fantastic momentum going as we head towards Sports Day next week on the 10th July!

Best regards,
Mr Moffatt—Head of Physical Education

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Athletics

This summer students have been working hard on developing their techniques within athletics, both in PE lessons as well as in after school clubs.

The Super 6 competitions always act as a brilliant warm up for the South Warwickshire School's Athletics competition taking place later in the summer term. Competing in teams of six, every student representing took on the challenge of one track and one field event and in doing so proved that teamwork and versatility are the ultimate winning formula for success.

Thank you to all the athletes for their hard work and to the team leaders who attended each competition in reserve but played a crucial role in the success achieved.

Check out the full breakdown of our team results below:

Year 9 Super 6 Athletics

Our year 9 athlete teams both finished in 4th place from a strong field of nine South Warwickshire schools.



Year 9 Girls	Position	
TEAM	Points	Rank
AGS	721	1
SHOTTERY A	674	2
KINETON	656	3
AA	585	4
SHOTTERY B	557	5
STRATFORD	532	6
ST BENEDICTS	455	7
STUDLEY	423	8
SHIPSTON	411	9
HENLEY	243	10

Year 9 Boys	Position	
TEAM	Points	Rank
KES	943	1
KINETON	930	2
AGS	920	3
AA	853	4
STUDLEY	780	5
ST BENEDICTS	622	6
SHIPSTON	478	7
HENLEY	434	8
STRATFORD	397	9

Year 8 Super 6 Athletics

Our year 8 girls team achieved a creditable 5th place from the ten teams entered. Year 8 boys went on to achieve a brilliant 3rd place finish in their competition, earning an excellent points total and a well-deserved bronze medal.



YEAR 8 GIRLS	Position	
TEAM	Points	Rank
KINETON	551	1
AGS	542	2
SHOTTERY 1	526	3
STRATFORD	509	4
AA	493	5
STUDLEY	476	6
SHOTTERY 2	430	7
ST BENEDICTS	428	8
SHIPSTON	334	9
HENLEY	235	10

YEAR 8 BOYS	Position	
TEAM	Points	Rank
STRATFORD	849	1
KES	778	2
AA	703	3
AGS	667	4
KINETON	650	5
ST BENEDICTS	597	6
SHIPSTON	586	7
STUDLEY	576	8
HENLEY	443	9

Year 7 Super 6 Athletics

There was lots of excitement for year 7 as they took on their first Super 6 Competition since joining us at Alcester Academy. Plenty of practise has taken place both during PE and at after school Athletics Club and both teams were raring to go and ready to embrace their first school athletics

competition. Our year 7 boys team finished in 5th place out of eight competing schools, just missing out on 4th place by only 3 points. Our year 7 girls continued their outstanding success from the indoor competition back in autumn term to achieve a 3rd place finish and a second bronze medal for Alcester Academy.



Y7 BOYS	Position	
TEAM	Points	Rank
KES	746	1
STRATFORD	646	2
STUDLEY	577	3
KINETON	559	4
AA	556	5
AGS	539	6
SHIPSTON	426	7
HENLEY	341	8

Y7 GIRLS	Position	
TEAM	Points	Rank
AGS	646	1
SHOTTERY 1	610	2
AA	580	3
STRATFORD	573	4
KINETON	550	5
SHOTTERY 2	519	6
HENLEY	503	7
STUDLEY	487	8
SHIPSTON	279	9

Warwickshire County Championships—Athletics

I want to extend congratulations to the six KS4 Alcester Academy students who competed at the recent County Athletics Championships. Earning the right to wear the district colours at this level is a huge achievement in itself—it means these athletes are already among the very best in our region. However, the stakes were even higher at this competition, as it served as the official pathway to represent the county of Warwickshire at the prestigious Mason Trophy.

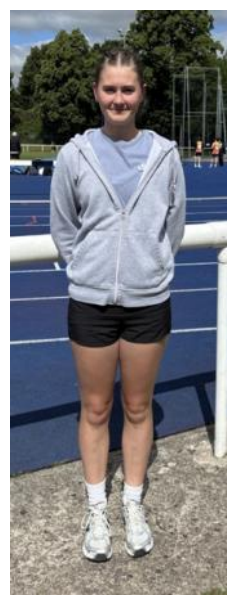
Our students handled the pressure brilliantly, showcasing outstanding dedication, sportsmanship, and elite athletic talent against the finest

competition in the county. They represented Alcester Academy with absolute pride, and their hard work throughout the training season was clear for everyone to see.

Whether they were chasing personal bests or aiming for that coveted county selection, every single one of them put in a performance to be proud of. Please join me in congratulating our KS4 athletics stars on a fantastic achievement.

Year 10—Dexter & Daisy

Year 11—Will, Marijke, Arthur & Scarlett



Mason Trophy

I am absolutely thrilled to announce that two of our athletes performed at such a high standard that they have gained official selection for the Warwickshire County Team to compete at the Mason Trophy!

Will put on a masterclass of stamina and technique to secure his spot in the 400m hurdles. Dexter delivered a powerhouse performance to earn his selection in the shot put. A brilliant achievement against a field of mostly year 11 students.

To be chosen to represent your county is one of the highest honours a school athlete can achieve. It is a direct result of their grit, hours of training, and determination to succeed at the highest level. Please join me in giving a huge round of applause to all six of our competitors, and in wishing Will and Dexter the very best of luck as they step up to the inter-county stage. You have made Alcester Academy incredibly proud!



South Warwickshire School's Athletics

Cancellation of South Warwickshire Schools Athletics Championships

We were incredibly disappointed to share last week that the 2026 South Warwickshire Schools Athletics Championships had to be cancelled. This was due to the Met Office issuing severe amber and red weather warnings for extreme heat across the region—the decision was taken by organisers.

As student safety, health, and wellbeing are always our priority, the organisers were left with no choice but to call off the event. Competing in such intense, record-breaking temperatures would have posed too high a risk for the athletes, officials, and volunteers involved.

We know how hard our students had been training and how much they were looking forward to representing Alcester Academy at this major event. While it is incredibly frustrating to miss out after all that preparation, it was undoubtedly the right decision to keep everyone safe. It is the first year that the event has ever had to be cancelled due to heat and hopefully with some luck it will be the first and only time it needs to happen. Thank you to all our athletes, parents, and staff for your understanding and ongoing support.



Marijke's Historic Two Castles Run

History in the Making:

A massive congratulations to Marijke in year 11 for an absolutely unforgettable performance in the local Two Castles Race!

Out of a massive field of 2,400 female competitors, Marijke crossed the finish line as the first female

overall. Not only did she dominate the competition, but she has also officially made history as the youngest ever winner of the race!

Your dedication, grit, and talent are an inspiration to us all. The entire community is incredibly proud of you, Marijke

Two Castles Run breaks participation record with over 5,000 finishers in Warwickshire

Ian Gallagher

A record-breaking 42nd annual Two Castles Run saw more than 5,000 runners put their best foot forward for one of Warwickshire's centre-piece summer events.

A total of 5,220 official finishers completed the challenging 10k course between Warwick Castle and Kenilworth Castle on Sunday, June 14 – the biggest number to take part in the event's history.

The annual race, which is organised by Kenilworth Runners and sponsored by Leamington-based Blythe Liggins Solicitors, was opened up to 1,000 more participants this year.

Richard Clarke, race director from Kenilworth Runners, said the event had the scope to become even bigger in future, as more than 3,000 runners were on the waiting list for this year.

At the finish line, Paddy Roddy took the spoils in the men's race, with Ian Allen finishing second and Tesfaye Weday coming home third.

Marijke Tear-Verweij was victorious in the women's race, ahead of Becky Fleet, with Paz Torres taking the final spot on the rostrum.

Richard said: "It was really rewarding to see everyone enjoying themselves on the day. The weather was perfect, it felt like the first weekend of nice weather we've had in June."

"We had a lot of runners say they are already looking forward to signing up for next year, along with volunteers, too. Everyone is very committed to the future of the event."

"We took a step up in numbers this year and we know there is the appetite for it to grow further. We had more than 5,000 runners, but there were also 3,000 on the waiting list."

"We'll work with Warwick Castle and Kenilworth Castle to see if we can safely increase the capacity, because the scope and ambition to do it is definitely there."

The Two Castles Run helps to raise money for various good causes, and runners are invited to contribute to The Myton Hospices when they sign up.

A total of 77 runners from The Myton Hospices took part in the race – another record number – to raise vital funds for the charity.

Blythe Liggins Solicitors, which has been a long-term supporter of the run, recently pledged to sponsor the event for another five years.

Donna Bothamley, partner at Blythe Liggins Solicitors, said: "This year's Two Castles Run was the biggest yet and it was clear to see from the size of the crowds and smiles on everyone's faces that it was a huge success."

"It's really heartening to see how support for the event just grows and grows, as it makes such a difference to The Myton Hospices and other great causes locally."

"Congratulations to everyone who took part – whether organising, running or volunteering – for such a fantastic event."

You can see the full results from the 2026 race by visiting www.twocastlesrun.org.uk/results



Mike Smith, David Lester, Paz Torres, Becky Fleet, Marijke Tear-Verweij, Paddy Roddy, Ian Allen, Tesfaye Weday, Cllr Alison Insoley

Tennis

It has been a truly remarkable year for tennis at Alcester Academy, defined by incredible growth, development, and a fantastic display of resilience from our players.

This season, we focused on player development for our tennis programme. Many of our squads comprised of younger students competing at the lower end of the U13 and U15 age groups. Stepping up to face older, more experienced opponents is never easy, but our players met the challenge head-on, treating every match as an opportunity to sharpen their skills and build their match-play confidence.

The absolute highlights of the season were the School Tennis Slams competitions for our U13 boys and girls. These fast-paced, high-energy tournaments brought out the very best in our younger players, showcasing great tactical awareness and fantastic sportsmanship.

Beyond our internal competitions, our athletes



had the invaluable opportunity to test their skill and resolve on a broader stage. They went head-to-head not only against our traditional local rivals but also against formidable, larger schools from outside the district, including King's High and Kenilworth in the LTA School's Tennis

League.

While the scorelines showed some brilliant victories, the real triumph of the season has been the visible progress made by every single player. The future of Alcester Academy tennis is looking incredibly bright, and our young players have laid



down fantastic foundations for the years to come!

Cricket

Cricket continues to be one of the fastest-growing emerging sports at the Academy, and it has been fantastic to see a significant surge in the number of our students joining and playing for local cricket clubs outside of school hours. This passion and dedication translated beautifully onto the pitch this summer, which marked the highly anticipated return of competitive fixtures for both our U13 and U15 boys squads.

While both teams progressed immensely, the headline success of the season belongs to our U15 boys, who put together an unforgettable cup run in the Stokes-Knight Cup.

The defining moment of their tournament came in the quarter-final stage against Alcester Grammar School. In a nail-biting, down-to-the-wire finish,

our boys held their nerve under immense pressure to secure a thrilling victory and book their place in the semi finals.

In the semi final, they came up against a formidable and deeply experienced King Edward's School from Birmingham. Despite giving absolutely everything on the field and showcasing immense pride and resilience, our boys were comfortably beaten by a very strong opposition.

Reaching the final four of such a prestigious competition is a massive achievement at our stage of development. The squad has set a brilliant benchmark for cricket at Alcester Academy, and with so many students continuing to develop their game outside of school, the future of the sport here looks incredibly bright. Well done to all the players on their cricket season.



Rounders

Congratulations to all of our incredible girls rounders teams who represented Alcester Academy so brilliantly at the District Rounders Tournaments this summer! Every single player showed fantastic teamwork, determination, and sportsmanship out on the field.

A extra-special shout-out goes to our year 7 girls team! In their first-ever experience of competitive tournament rounders, they played out of their skins to finish as joint winners of the tournament. Watching them dominate the pitch in the Academy silver, blue, and black was an absolute highlight of the season.

We are incredibly proud of all our rounders squads—the future of Academy sport is looking incredibly bright! Let's keep this amazing momentum going.

Year 7

An incredibly enthusiastic performance from our year 7 students saw them finish joint winners in their first ever District Rounders Tournament.



Year 9

Year 9 came away from their South Warwickshire Tournament with a brilliant 3rd place finish.



Year 10

Unfortunately our year 10 team have not had much luck with their first scheduled date for competition being cancelled due to rain and their rearranged tournament was then cancelled due to heat. Despite this our year 10s remained as committed as ever to practise and developing their skills.

Year 11

Year 11 brought a brilliant five years of rounders competition to an end by finishing as runners up in their final tournament in school colours. Many congratulations to our outstanding year 11 team who have shown excellent consistency over their years of study at Alcester Academy.



Wimbledon Trip—Friday 3rd July



We are looking forward to Alcester Academy's annual Wimbledon trip today where attending students will have the opportunity to observe play from Court 2 this year.

The second day of the trip will also allow students the opportunity to tour England Rugby's Twickenham Stadium (Allianz) and explore the England Rugby museum.

You can keep up to date on our Sports trip on social media platforms X and Instagram today and Saturday.

Alcester Academy Sports Day 2026—Friday 10th July

Dear Parent and Carer

I am delighted to be able to inform you of plans for the 2026 Alcester Academy School Sports Day and confirm the date of Friday 10th July (weather dependent).

This is certainly the highlight of the academic year for many at the Academy and we look forward to joining as a whole school staff for the afternoon, to put together a fantastic opportunity for students to compete and represent their houses within athletic competition.

ALL students will be required to attend and depart from school in full PE kit on this date. Unfortunately, it will not be possible for parents and carers to spectate during this event.

Please take time to go through the student information on the following page with your child in advance of Sports Day, to ensure that they are ready and prepared to make the most of this enjoyable and unique day.



Sports Day Information—Friday 10th July

- ALL students come to school in full PE kit.
- House colours may be displayed in the form of glitter, body paint (no “full” coverage please!) and hats.
- Lesson 1 as normal. Break runs from 10am to 10.20am.
- At 10.20am students go to their Tutor rooms to be registered for the afternoon and will then be escorted to the top field by their tutor.
- On arrival at the field tutors should direct their tutees to the assigned house areas.
- The first events start at 10.45am so please be prompt in getting to registration and up to the top field.
- Lunch: 1.45pm—2.25pm.
- Lesson 5 as normal.
- You are advised not to bring valuables as your belongings will be left within designated House areas whilst competing.
- Students can find out where/when their events are taking place from the maps and schedules that can be viewed at the information desks situated in the house areas.
- Sports Leaders/House Captains have been assigned in each house area to manage teams and help you get to events on time.
- The first events will see the girls on the track whilst the boys are on field events. This will switch around at 11.45am approx. with everyone coming together at the end for the relays and presentations.
- On arrival at your event register with the member of staff.
- If you are doing two field events that are scheduled at the same time make sure you register at both, do one event and then go and do the other.
- If you are excused from competing you will be expected to support during the afternoon in some capacity.
- Strictly NO ball games during the event.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further questions regarding Sports Day – paulmoffatt@alcesteracademy.org.uk.

Yours sincerely,
Mr P Moffatt—Head of PE

Extra-curricular Sport w/b 29th June

There will be no extra-curricular sport w/b 6th July as the PE department prepare for Sports Day.



The Legendary Alcester Rock Academy Summer Bash! Our awesome young bands from age 11 -18 will be rockin' The Alcester Inn from 3pm on Sunday 5th July!

Tickets available through Alcester Academy School Gateway, PSW Art Supplies Alcester for cash only and from Rock Academy Sessions cash only.

This is the last chance to see our amazing musicians in action this school year!
Also a great opportunity to check out what we're all about at Alcester Rock Academy if you are thinking of joining!

Headlines by Sarah Mellors

Thank you to Mr Moffatt for his sporting update. Before the end of term, he will update you again regarding the Sports Day 2026 student achievements. If the weather stays reasonable, this is planned for Friday 10th July. Mr Moffatt has sent out a communication regarding this.



This week in school, year 10s completed their final exams. Results will begin to get released very shortly, with the end of year report following. Again, we are so proud of the students for coping with these under such extreme temperatures recently.

The main focus this week has been our annual Celebration Evening of course. This year, the theme was our 60th birthday celebration. Thank you to families who were able to attend last night and huge congratulations to our nominees, award winners and performers for a very special evening.

The evening was also a wonderful platform to announce our new student leadership team. The standard was so high this year that we have also made four additional senior prefect posts too.



As we move towards the end of term, we look forward to seeing year 6 and their families on Monday at 6pm for our New Parents' Evening.

This is followed on Wednesday by Induction Day. We have shortened the length of the day in anticipation of another heatwave hitting us. A separate year 6 communication has gone out about this.



Thank you Governors

As we head into our final full governors meeting of the year next week, I'd like to thank Mike Dean, Chair, and all of the Governors for their full commitment to the school once again during 2025-26. As volunteers, the governors have given hours of their time to support meetings, school events, staff interviews, learning walks, trips and many other essential areas of school life.

In particular, I'd like to thank Tony Lewis, a long standing governor for his dedication to the school as he retires from this role.

We wish you all a restful summer break ahead. If you would like to become a school governor, please contact mikedean@alcesteracademy.org.uk; Chair of FGB.



World Cup

We are all delighted to see that England have made the final 16. Full student attendance is required by all students on Monday despite the 1am kick off please.

Water Safety—Safeguarding

I have been made aware of students playing in a local water area known as the *Big Drop*. This is adjacent to the nature reserve around by the Conway Estate. Obviously I have concerns about the safety of the students involved in this. Please talk to your children about this. Thank you.

Amuka Appeal, Kenya

We are still collecting used football boots and girls' leggings. We don't have many yet though! Please can any items be brought to LSU. Huge thanks for this.

All contractors on site will have been through thorough safeguarding checks. Those areas of school affected will be made safe and secure for our students as work progresses. I will update you in September regarding expected project timelines.

I'd like to wish the Wimbledon trip a wonderful weekend head. I wonder who they might see in their celebrity spot this year? And, I look forward to seeing some of you at the Rock Academy Summer Bash at the Alcester Inn on Sunday, 3pm.

The new studio officially opens next week; we are all very excited for this event. Mr Badham and the team have worked incredibly hard on this.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Sarah Mellors—Headteacher

Summer Building Works

We are beginning some significant building works over the summer that are unlikely to be completed for September 2026. This includes updates to the bus turning circle, replacement of the temporary classrooms and new fire doors.

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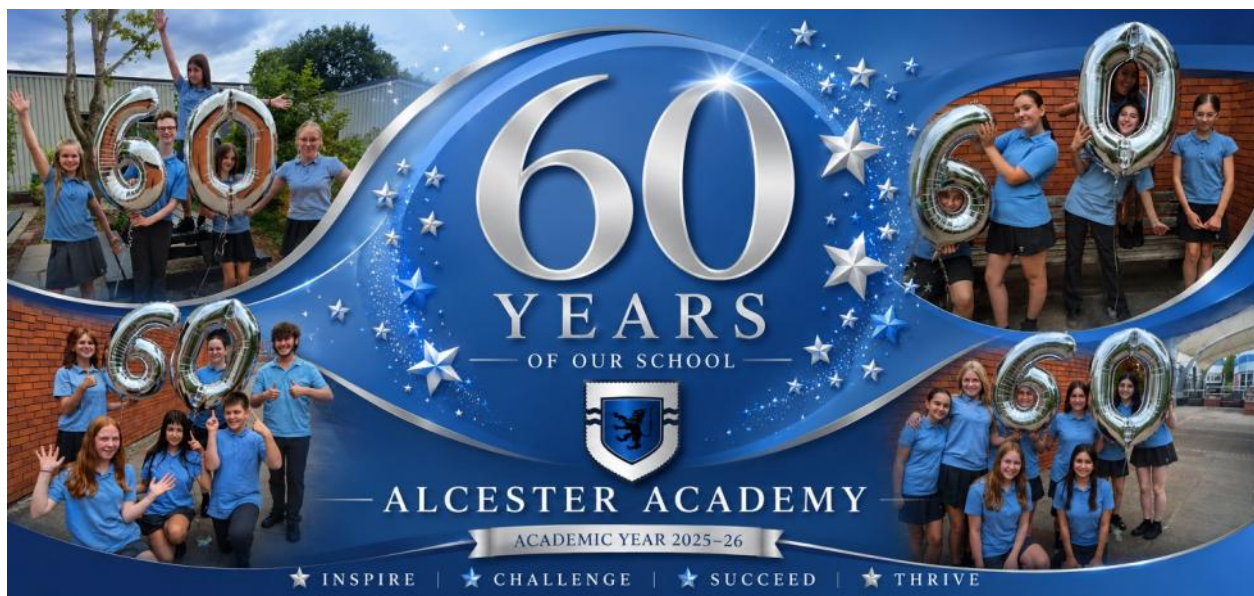
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SCHOOL HALL
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Celebration Evening 2026

Next week's bulletin will feature a full article and further photographs from Miss Buckthorp celebrating our wonderful Celebration Evening. In the meantime, please enjoy a selection of photographs capturing some of the memorable moments from this special event.



School Captains 2026–2027

School Captains—Harry & Lily
Deputy School Captains—Ben & Hester

Excellence in Learning Award

The following students have consistently demonstrated their commitment to learning across the year

Year 8—Alessandro, Riley & Jessica

Year 9—Jada

Year 10—Daniel & Alex

Exceptional Attitude to Learning Awards

The following students have all received exceptional attitude to learning scores across the entire year group

Year 7—Pollyanna, Sophie, Amelia, Sophia & Madeleine

Year 8—Demetris & Alina

Year 9—Ranveer & Kaitlyn

Year 10—Eva, Freya & Eva

Most Progress Awards

The following students have made the most progress across all of their subjects, out of the whole year group

Year 7—River-Inola & Connor

Year 8—Ben & Abigail

Year 9—Grace & Alfie

Year 10—Lettie & Johnny

Student of the Year 2026

Year 7 Student of the Year 2026—Charlotte

Year 8 Student of the Year 2026—Teddy

Year 9 Student of the Year 2026—Henry

Year 10 Student of the Year 2026—Naomi





Dates for your Diary

Sunday 5th July	Rock Academy Summer Bash
	Rock Academy tours of primary schools take place in July
Monday 6th July	Year 6 New Parents' Evening, live in school.
Monday 6th July	Week of year 10 English NEA Formal Spoken Assessments
Wednesday 8th July	Year 6 Induction Day
Friday 10th July	Sports Day (weather pending)
Monday 13th July	Year 9 Enrichment Trip to Coughton Court
Tuesday 14th July	SEND parent coffee morning 9.30am-10.30am
Friday 17th July	End of term. 12.40pm finish

Matilda Google Classroom Code

SCHOOL SHOW
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Matilda
THE MUSICAL

All Stars
ACADEMY

PERFORMING ARTS
ALCESTER
ACADEMY

Free School Meal Changes

From September 2026, the Government is expanding free school meal eligibility so that all children in households receiving Universal Credit will be entitled to a free school meal, regardless of household earnings.

There will be two categories of support:

Targeted Free School Meals – for families on Universal Credit with earnings of £7,400 or less, which includes additional benefits such as Pupil Premium funding.

Expanded Free School Meals – for families on Universal Credit earning above £7,400, providing free school meals only.

Parents of children already receiving free school meals will not usually need to reapply, as eligibility checks will be carried out automatically.

Families who do not currently receive free school meals may become eligible under the new criteria



and should apply through their local authority at the start of August 2026.

The current transitional protections introduced in 2018 will end in August 2026, meaning eligibility will be based on a family's current benefit status.

A further communication will be sent to you at the start of August once the application form through the local authority is available.



Attendance Updates

Top Tutors attendance this week:

9DA with 97.9% attendance
 10GA with 96.3% attendance
 8RW with 96.2% attendance
 7WI with 95.7% attendance
 7LX with 94.8% attendance



If your child will be absent from school, please notify our Attendance Officer, Ms Louise Hatcher, with the reason before 8.50am each day.

You can do this via:

- ⇒ **MCAS App—medical appointments and absences can be reported through the app**
- ⇒ **SchoolComms**
- ⇒ **Phone: 01789 762285**
- ⇒ **Email: louisehatcher@alcesteracademy.org.uk**

We kindly ask parents and carers to remind students who are leaving for appointments during the school day to come to the office a few minutes early so they can sign out promptly. Thank you for your cooperation.

Ms Louise Hatcher—Attendance Officer



If a pupil is ten minutes late to school or lessons each day, they will miss seven days of learning over a year.



DfE data shows that pupils with more than 95% attendance achieve better GCSE results!

Key reasons why 95% attendance is important to Alcester Academy

Academic attainment

High attendance is directly linked to better results. Primary students with 95–100% attendance have 30% higher odds of reaching expected standards in reading, writing, and maths, with even higher impact in secondary school.

Preventing Persistent Absence

Anything below 95% is considered "not good enough" and may require intervention. Dropping below 90% is classified as persistent absence, limiting a child's chance of success.

Cumulative loss of learning

95% attendance means missing about 9-10 days per academic year. While this is the acceptable standard, any further absences drastically reduce the chances of reaching target grades.

Future earnings and opportunities

Missing school affects long-term prospects. Persistently absent secondary pupils could earn £10,000 less at age 28 compared to those with near-perfect attendance.

Social development

Regular attendance helps students build lasting friendships, confidence with peers, and familiarity with routines.

If your child is struggling to be in school regularly, please take time to talk to them over the Easter break and see what barriers they feel are impacting them. We hold regular support meetings with parents and students to look at the support available to ensure regular attendance.

Ms Louise Hatcher—Attendance Officer



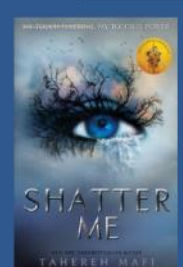
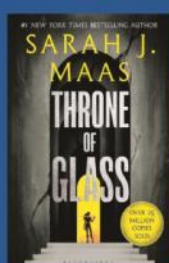
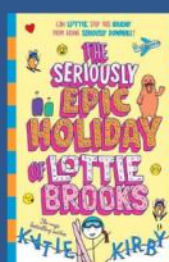
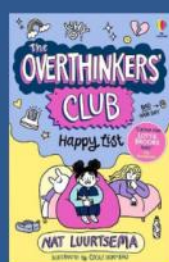
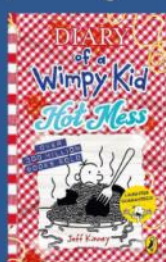
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Summer Reading Ideas

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Research shows that children who read four or more books over the summer are better prepared for the coming school year and do not go down the 'summer slide'—the loss of reading and learning skills during the summer break. Reading over the summer months really does make a difference to your child's learning. If you are wondering what to read over the summer, here are some great ideas, you may be able to borrow some of them free as eBooks from <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/libraries> or, keep it local and buy from independent shops using <https://www.hive.co.uk/>



Alcester Academy Term Dates

SUMMER TERM 2026

Summer Term ends Friday 17 July 2026 at 12.40pm
School closed Monday 20 July 2026—Teacher training day

AUTUMN TERM 2026

School closed Tuesday 1 September—Teacher training day
Autumn Term begins Years 7 and 11 only Wednesday 2 September
 Years 8, 9 and 10 only Thursday 3 September
All students back Friday 4 September 2026
 Half term Monday 26 – Friday 30 October 2026
Back to school Monday 2 November 2026
 Autumn Term ends Thursday 17 December 2026 at 12.40pm
School closed Friday 18th December 2026—Teacher training day



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TEXT ACADEMY

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”

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 with your message and one of the team will be in touch

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Facilities Supervisor (to include out of hours lettings)

Salary: Scale G, scalepoint 11, £28,412

Location: Alcester, Warwickshire

Contract Type: Full Time (Initially full time but once the projects are complete and signed off, hours can be renegotiated to suit both parties.)

Starting: As soon as available



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The Academy is looking to recruit a Facilities Supervisor. This is an exciting opportunity for an individual to gain experience in facilities management, whilst managing Health and Safety compliance in a school environment. We are looking for someone who is fully committed to working in a front-line service role and providing excellent customer service to support the Academy. The successful candidate will have experience of managing Health and Safety and of working within a facilities team. The candidate will also be experienced in undertaking minor project works from concept to completion. The ability to communicate effectively and confidently is essential to the post. This post requires the successful candidate to be flexible in their working approach in order to facilitate school lettings.

SPECIAL PROJECTS RESPONSIBILITY: Between July and December 2026, the school will be undertaking a programme of capital investment projects. The postholder will have direct responsibility for the effective delivery of these projects, including full project and contractor management, ensuring compliance with health and safety regulations, and maintaining site security throughout the works.

Application Process

To apply for this role, please complete a standard Alcester Academy application form which can be found above. 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.

If you have any questions with regard to this vacancy or wish to visit the school, please contact admin@alcesteracademy.org.uk. We look forward to receiving your application.

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis and we reserve the right to close the advertisement early once a suitable candidate has been found. 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.

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.

Teaching Assistant 3

**Full Time - Working 37 hours per week 5 days term time only
(39 weeks including 5 Teacher Training days)**

If working part time, salary will be pro-rated accordingly.

Scale H. Actual pro rata £26,683

Closing date: midday on 15th July 2026

Start: ASAP

Interviews: TBC



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The Post

This is a term time only post working 39 weeks per year (incl. 5 teacher training days) as a 1:1 Intervention Teaching Assistant. We are particularly interested in hearing from applicants with experience of planning and running intervention sessions with children at a Primary school level within phonics, spelling, reading and Maths and monitoring progress within these. Alongside supporting a range of special educational needs specifically neurodivergence, including autism, ADHD and dyslexia.

Working with delegated authority and under the overall direction of the SENCO, hold a senior role within the teaching assistant field of work, contribute to whole of school policy development. Contribute to the school's statutory duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.

Learning Support

- Delivering interventions at a Primary school level within phonics, spelling, reading and Maths.
- Planning interventions recommended from in-house assessment, professional reports, EHCPs – relevant to the focus children.
- Delivering interventions – identifying objectives for the sessions and monitoring progress towards these.
- Reflecting upon progress with the children and staff, preparing feedback for parents.

This is a temporary post for 12 months in the first instance with a view to becoming permanent after this period.

The Application Process

Please complete an Alcester Academy application form which can be found above. A written statement in support of your application will be accepted but we do not consider CVs.

Please send your completed application to admin@alcesteracademy.org.uk.

We will be reviewing applications and inviting to interview at regular intervals. Interviews TBC.

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Teaching Assistant 2



Full and Part Time Positions available.

Job Shares also considered.

Full Time - Working 37 hours per week 5 days term time only (39 weeks including 5 Teacher Training days)

Scale F range 6-11. Actual pro rata £22,254.

If working part time, salary will be pro-rated accordingly.

Closing date: Midday on 15th July 2026

Start: ASAP

Interviews: TBC

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Learning Support at Alcester Academy

Working under the supervision of the responsible teacher, assist and support teaching and learning, working with individuals or groups, and assist in providing general care, safety and welfare for pupils.

The Post

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Positive Points Leaderboard 26th June—2nd July 2026

Top Students:

1	Edward	10KI	Ragley	8 points
2	Liv	10YA	Greville	7 points
2	Maryam	10KI	Greville	7 points
4	Thomas	10YA	Greville	6 points
4	Sophia	10YA	Billesley	6 points
4	Isla	10GA	Greville	6 points
4	Poppy	10TU	Ragley	6 points

Top Tutor:

1	10TU	75 points
1	10YA	73 points
2	10KI	65 points
3	10GA	59 points
4	7WI	46 points

Top Staff:

1	Mr Hall	347 points
2	Mr Yarrington	177 points
3	Mrs Marshall	120 points

Top Subjects:

1	Art	147 points
2	Science	121 points
3	French	37 points

Top House:

1	Greville	2196 points
2	Billesley	183points
3	Ragley	182 points
4	Oversley	175 points



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SUMMER 2026

🎵 Strong Voices Show in a week 🎤 ✨
High School Musical Inspired show
📍 Location: The Greig Hall, Alcester
📅 Monday 27th July - Friday 31st July 2026
💷 £25 per day (£125 total – payable by invoice)
🕒 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
👥 Students must be available for all 5 days
🎭 Open to ages 6–18




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WEDNESDAY – DRAMA

Location: The Greig Hall, Alcester

4:00pm	Acting Stars	Ages 6–11
5:00pm	Young Actors Studio	Ages 11–16

FRIDAY – MUSICAL THEATRE

Location: Strong Feet Dance Academy, Arden Forest Industrial Estate

4:00pm	Strong Starters	Ages 6–8
5:00pm	Rising Voices	Ages 8–11
6:00pm	Spotlight Performers	Ages 11–14
7:00pm	The Spotlight Company	Ages 14–18

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