



Alder Grove
Church of England Primary School

New Nursery Information Evening

Wednesday 18th June 2025



Kindness



Service



Truthfulness



Forgiveness



Courage



Perseverance

‘They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season’ Psalm 1:3

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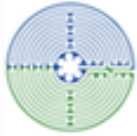
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Partnership with other Keys Academy Schools



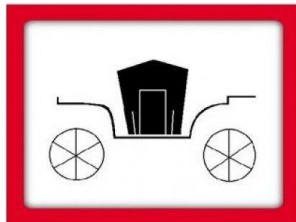
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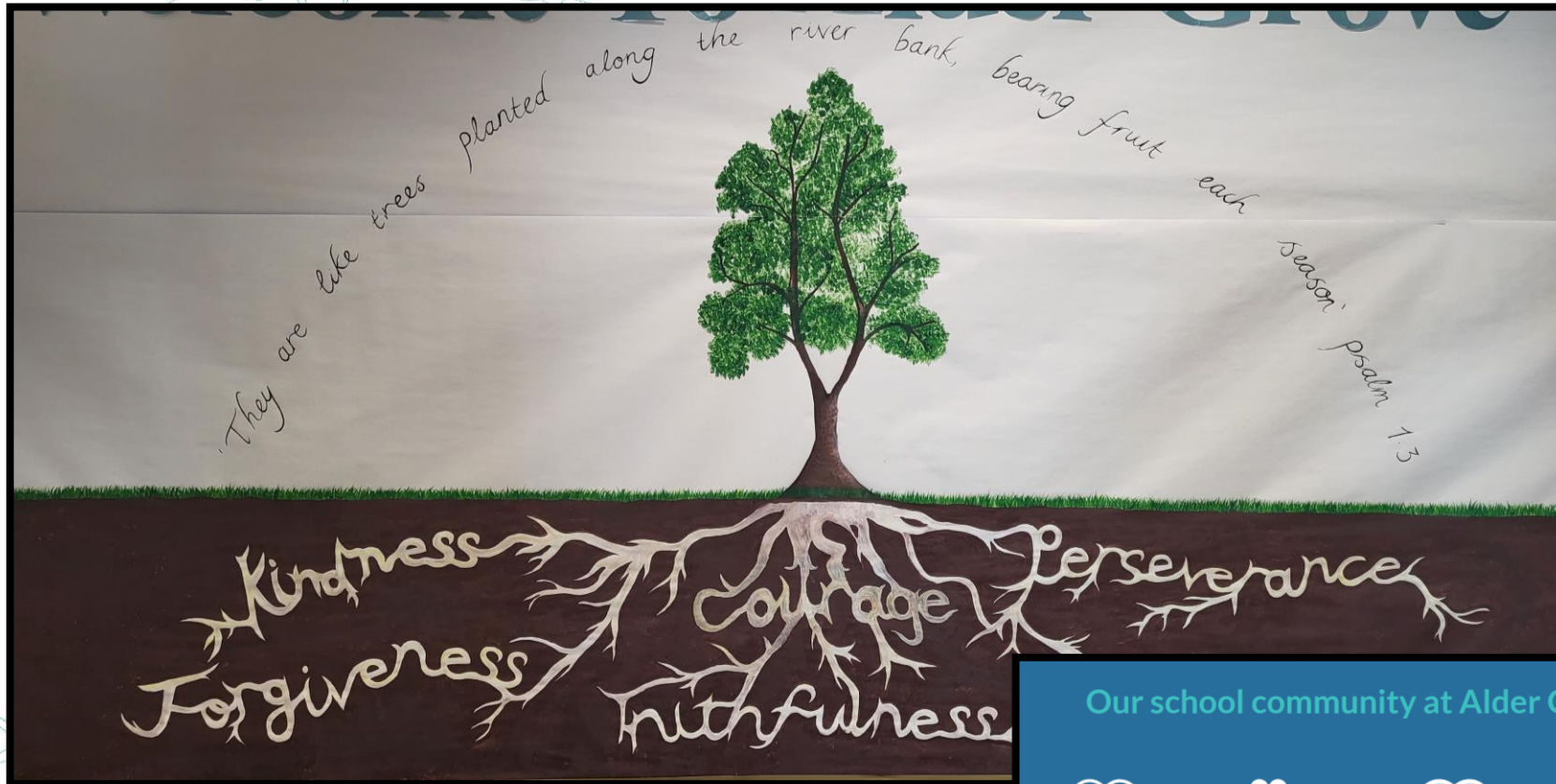


St Cecilia's
CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



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School Vision & Values



Our school community will be rooted in our school values.

These will govern the way we live our lives as part of the Alder Grove School Community and will be modelled by staff and encouraged in the children.

Our school community at Alder Grove is rooted in the following values:



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Being a Church of England School



As a Church of England Primary School, Alder Grove is an inclusive school which welcomes families of all faiths and no faith.

Assemblies and Collective Worship

All children meet daily for an act of collective worship either as the whole school or in class.

We set a theme and this is followed throughout the week. This could be based on one of our Values or an important celebration being celebrated.

On Friday, we have an Alder Grove Celebration Assembly to share and recognise the achievements of the children.

We have links to our local Church, St Mary's, which is within walking distance of the school and with other local churches, such as Shinfield Baptist Church.

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The Alder Grove Key Code

We show Kindness

- by using kind actions and words to all in our school
- by helping and encouraging others to learn
- by listening and participating in lessons
- by showing respect to ourselves, others and the environment



Kindness

We show Service

- by helping our classmates and teachers
- by participating in school and community events
- by being willing to volunteer our time and skills



Service

We are Truthful

- by always telling the truth, even when it's difficult
- by taking responsibility for our actions
- by being honest with our peers and teachers



Truthfulness

We Forgive

- by accepting we make mistakes
- by choosing to accept others make mistakes
- by giving others a second chance
- by moving on with our friendships once we've forgiven



Forgiveness

We show Courage

- by standing up for what is right
- by trying new things and taking risks in our learning
- by speaking up and sharing our ideas



Courage

We Persevere

- by trying hard in every lesson
- by taking risks in our learning
- by celebrating our own and others' success
- by not giving up



Perseverance

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Starting at Alder Grove



- Online registration and consent forms
- Stay & Play sessions 26th June or 3rd July
- Home visits - 4th, 5th, 8th September
- Uniform order
- Staggered start

Nursery

Daily Routines...



8.30 – 8:40 am – Gates into the nursery garden open

When your child comes into school in the morning, they will need to:

- hang their coat on their peg
- put their water bottle in the water bottle tray
- put their book bag into their tray (if they have one)

11.30am – End of morning session

11:30am - Lunchtime

12:30pm – Nursery gate opens to welcome the afternoon children

2.30pm - Home Time for some 30 hour children - children dismissed from nursery doors

3.30pm – Home Time – children dismissed from nursery doors

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Owl Class

A typical session...



register



phonics



language
groups



outside



explore



stories



snack



small
groups



music



topic



singing



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Owl Class

Our topics this year...

- All About Me
- Let's Celebrate
- Once Upon a Time
- How Does Your Garden Grow?
- EE-IGH-EE-IGH-OH!
- Splish, Splash, Splosh



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Owl Class

Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum



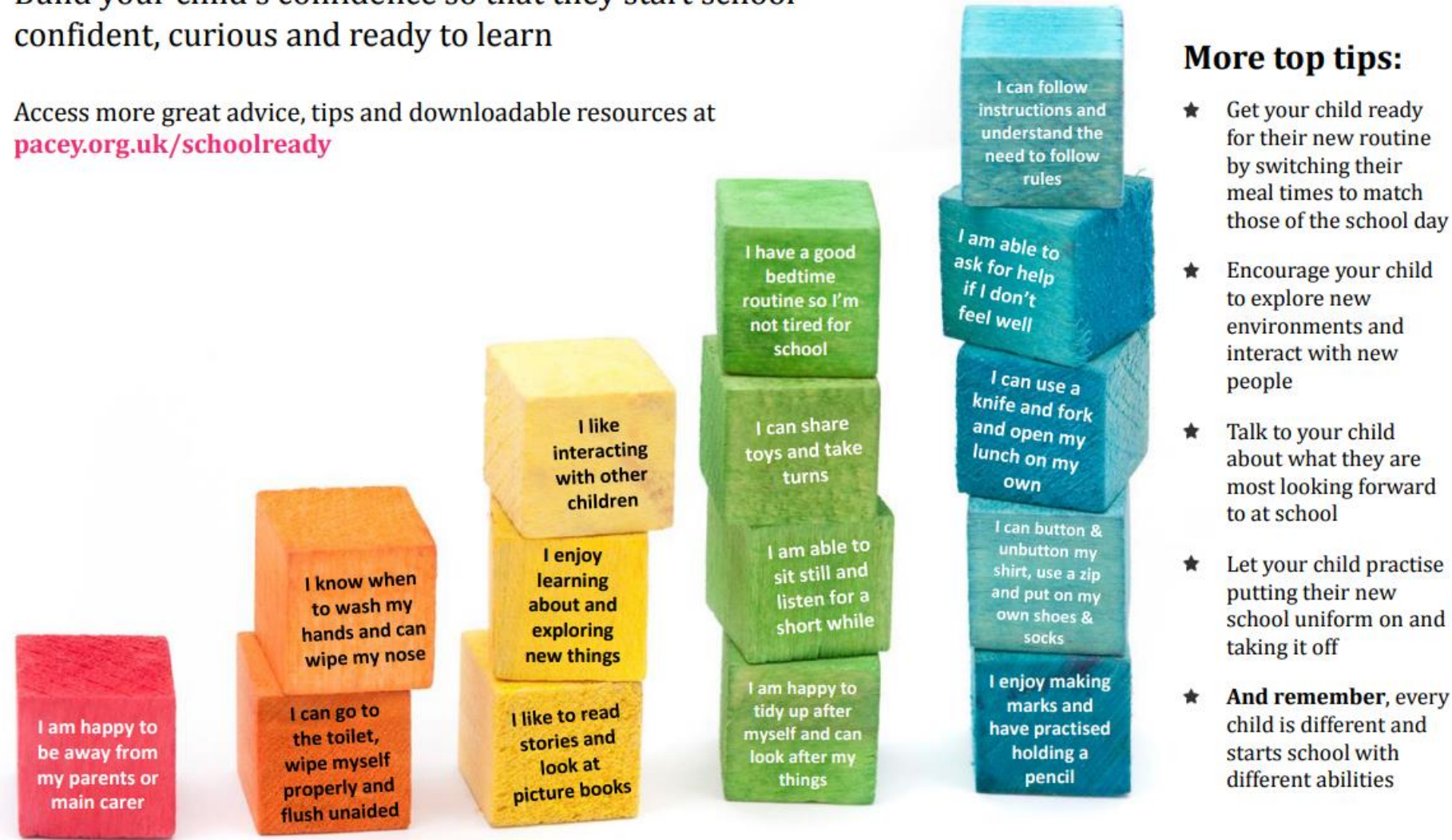
Prime Areas			
Communication & Language Listening and Attention, Understanding, Speaking	Physical Development Gross motor and Fine motor	Personal, Social and Emotional Development Self-regulation, managing self and building relationships	
Specific Areas of Learning			
Literacy Comprehension, word reading and writing	Mathematics Number and numerical patterns	Understanding the world Past and present, People, Culture and Communities and The Natural World	Expressive Arts & Design Creating with materials and being imaginative and expressive

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Steps to starting school

Build your child's confidence so that they start school confident, curious and ready to learn

Access more great advice, tips and downloadable resources at pacey.org.uk/schoolready



More top tips:

- ★ Get your child ready for their new routine by switching their meal times to match those of the school day
- ★ Encourage your child to explore new environments and interact with new people
- ★ Talk to your child about what they are most looking forward to at school
- ★ Let your child practise putting their new school uniform on and taking it off
- ★ **And remember**, every child is different and starts school with different abilities

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Practical Matters



30 Hour Option

Full Use of the 30-Hour Entitlement (Including Lunch Hour):

- Children may attend from the beginning of the school day (8.30am until 2:30 pm), with no additional charges for childcare during this period. Please note that while the lunch hour is included within the 30-hour entitlement, parents/carers will be required to pay for a school-provided hot lunch if selected. Alternatively, packed lunches may be sent from home at no additional cost.

Option to Purchase an Additional Hour:

- Parents/carers may choose to extend their child's day to align with the dismissal time of pupils attending the 15-hour provision and the wider school. This additional hour is available for purchase and is arranged on a term-by-term basis. Once chosen, this arrangement must remain in place for the entire term and cannot be altered mid-term.
- Parents/carers wishing to amend their child's attendance pattern for the following term must notify the school via email before the start of the new term. If no communication is received, it will be assumed that the current arrangement will continue. Charges will apply for any additional hours requested, regardless of changes made to the funded hours. The cost of the additional hour is £6 each day.

If you have not already done so, please inform the office what your Autumn Term choice is – information can be found in welcome letter emailed out.

Practical Matters



School Lunches

If your child is attending 30 hours a week they can either bring a packed lunch or you can pre-order them hot school dinners.

Milk/Snack

Milk is free for all nursery children. If they prefer they can have water at snack time or if they have allergies you may bring in different milk. We provide the children with fruit and crackers/breadsticks for snack times in nursery.

Allergies

We have many children in school with allergies so we ask for no nuts or sesame products in packed lunches.

Payments

We have an online payment system called Arbor, to allow parents to make all transactions through one system.

Practical Matters



School Uniform - this is compulsory for all children

- Please label **all** uniform and belongings that your child brings into school.
- Wearing jewellery is not permitted, unless it is for religious or medical reasons.
- Plain black trainers –no large coloured logos
- Plain black jogging bottoms/leggings/shorts/cycling shorts (generic and no logos)
- School polo shirt (branded)
- School jumper/cardigan (branded)
- Black socks (generic)
- Long hair must be tied back with plain black/neutral hair bands or clips

Branded uniform can be ordered from our suppliers [Smart Impressions](#).

Practical Matters



What should my child bring to nursery?

Spare clothes - All children will require a bag with at least one full change of clothes in. We do lots of messy/water play and children often need to get changed. If your child requires changing this bag will be sent home otherwise we ask for it to remain in nursery.

Water bottle – please make sure it is a bottle that your child can open themselves.

Welly boots – all children require a pair of named welly boots to be left in nursery.

Coat/jacket – we explore outside in all weather!

Book Bag – all children require an Alder Grove branded book bag for library days.

Practical Matters



Absence and lateness

- If your child is unwell and cannot attend school, please phone the school by 9.15am on the first and any subsequent days of their illness and give the reason for your child's absence.
- If your child has vomiting or diarrhoea you must keep your child at home for 48 hours after the last bout.
- Please ensure that your child arrives punctually and prepared for school. In the event of you arriving after 8:40 a member of the office team will take them safely to their classroom.
- Holidays should not be taken during term time and will be marked as an unauthorised absence.

Medication

- If your child requires regular medication, a care plan will be created with the school, parents and any medical professionals required.
- For prescription medication, a medical form from the office or website will need to be completed and taken to the office before any medication is administered. The school will not administer non-prescribed medication such as Calpol.
- The school will conduct regular checks, but it the responsibility of the parent/carer to ensure medication kept in school is in date.



Alder Grove
Wrap Around Care Club

Breakfast & After School Club



Breakfast Club

7.30am to 8.45am

Cost: £5.40 per session

Additional sibling discount: £4.86

Breakfast Provided

**For more information please
contact:**

wraparoundcare@aldergrove.wokingham.sch.uk

Further information on how to book
will be emailed in the coming weeks
when we open our September 2024
books.

Please note that this additional service has a set
capacity in line with our risk assessment and staffing
ratio. Spaces are not guaranteed.

After School Club Early Session

3.15pm to 4.30pm

Cost: £7.00 per session

Additional sibling discount: £6.30

Light snack provided

After School Club Late Session

4.15pm to 6.00pm

Cost: £7.40 per session

Additional sibling discount: £6.66

Light supper provided

After School Club Full Session

3.15pm to 6.00pm

Cost: £12.50 per session

Additional sibling discount: £11.25

Light supper provided

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- We are the Alder Grove

Parents, **C**arers & **S**taff **A**ssociation

- We support the school by raising money to enhance, enrich and improve learning experiences for all pupils



An example of some
of the events /
fundraising we have
run...and what we
have raised!

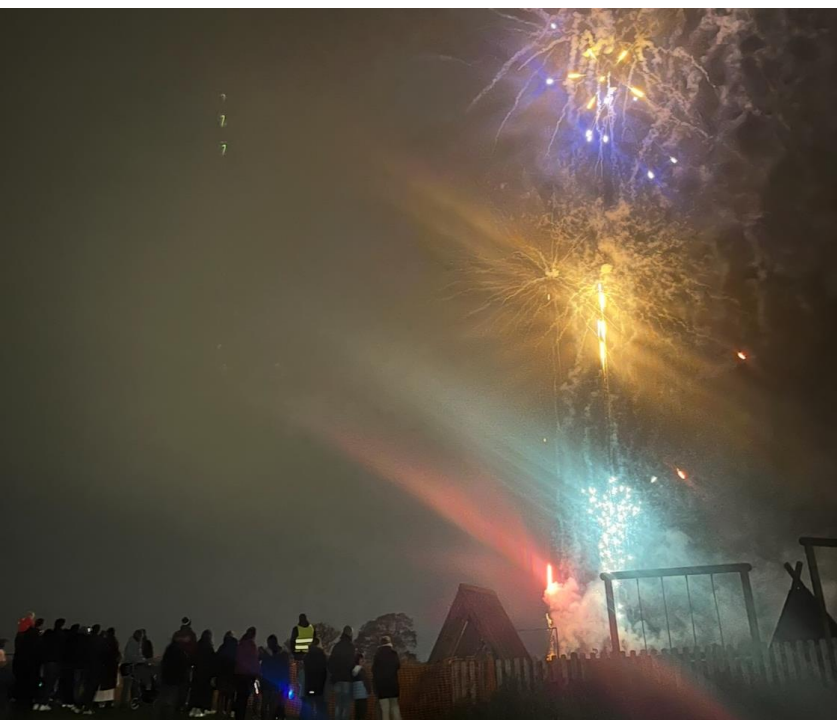
+£12k so far

- Fireworks night - ~£3000 raised
- Wreath Making Workshop and Christmas Fayre complete with Santa's Grotto- ~£3200 raised
- Amigos Magic Show - ~£800 raised
- Bedtime Story Night- ~£500 raised
- 2025 Challenge- ~£950 raised
- Disco's for y1 to y4- ~£800 raised
- Quiz Night- ~£900 raised



Still to come this year:

- **Summer Fayre – Saturday 28th June 1pm-5pm**
- Reception End of Term Party- Thursday 17th July
- Make the Rules Day- Friday 18th July
- End of term tuck- Wednesday 23rd July



What we funded?

- Visualisers for Year 4
- Stay Safe E-Safety Workshop for children
- Subsidised school trips and visitors such as the Great Fire of London workshop for Year 2
- Books for the library
- Diwali Celebration
- Wear it Pink tea party
- Farm visit for nursery

and our 'big ticket' items for this year- upstairs learning booths, and an outdoor sensory cabin



Thank you from us!



We are delighted to welcome you to Alder Grove.

Thank you for giving us your time this evening and we look forward to seeing you in school and getting to know you and your families in September.



Any Questions?



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