ALBERT VILLAGE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

November 2026

NOTE FROM HEADTEACHER MRS LOTT

As we approach the last few weeks of term, it is wonderful to reflect on what the children have been working on in school so far this term and also to look forward to the many things which will be going over the next few weeks. Thanks parents and carers, as always, for your continued support.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!



Monday 23rd November - Year 6 Kirby Plate Football Tournament

Tuesday 24th November - Year 6 Dodgeball Excel Competition

Friday 27th November - Dress Down Day - please bring an item for the Christmas market hamper

Friday 4th December - Santa Fun Run - Just Giving Albert Village Primary School

Thursday 10th December - KS1 Nativity afternoon performance

Friday 11th December - KS1 Nativity morning performance

Tuesday 15th December - Breakfast with Santa - EYFS and KS1



Tuesday 15th December - Sapphires Nativity PM

Wednesday 16th December - Breakfast with Santa - KS2

Wednesday 16th December - School Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 16th December - KS2 Choir and Market

Friday 18th December - School closes at 3.15pm for Christmas Holidays

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Sapphires



Sapphires and Amethyst class are teaming up every Friday afternoon as 'reading buddies'.

The children enjoy working together and taking it in turns to read. Our reception children get chance to practise their phonic skills and Year 4 practise becoming expressive storytellers as they read to the younger children.





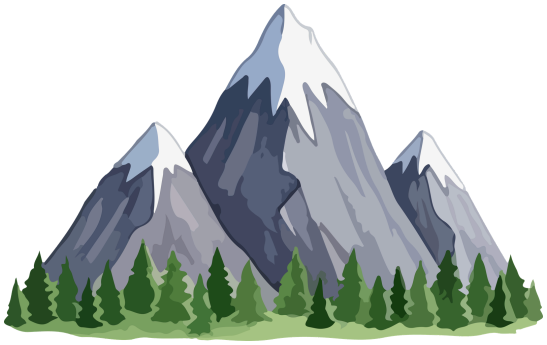


Sapphire class completed their sponsored walk around Albert Village lake on the 16th October. They raised an amazing £600! Thank you to all our families for your support.



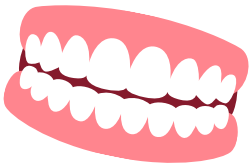


Topaz



Topaz Class have had a fantastic start to the term! In English, we have been exploring persuasive adverts, while in maths we have been practising subtraction, equal groups and arrays. In geography, we have been learning about the UK, including counties, cities, mountains and farming. We have also enjoyed starting our exciting DT project on pneumatic systems, investigating how air can make things move before designing our own moving toys. Alongside this, we have reflected on Remembrance Day, discussed kindness and belonging, and enjoyed lots of fun movement and sensory breaks. Well done, Topaz!

Amethyst



Wow! This half term is flying by! We have been investigating the types of teeth we have and the job that they do. We have been finding out ways to look after them and what will happen if we do not. We have started our sewing project. The times table we have been focussing on are the 3s and 4s. Ask us some questions. Gymnastics has been fun, we have had to follow instruction, perceive and communicate.







Pearl



On Remembrance Day, Pearl Class walked to our local war memorial near Mushroom Hall crossroads to pay their respects to those who have sacrificed their lives. The children had created their own remembrance pebbles, which they carefully placed at the memorial alongside crosses. Some children read a thoughtful poem before we joined together for the two-minute silence at 11am. It was a lovely opportunity for the children to reflect, show respect and remember those who gave so much for us.





Pearl Class thoroughly enjoyed welcoming parents and carers into school for our special science event! As part of our learning about the circulatory system, the children became science experts, leading six interactive stations exploring the heart, blood, blood vessels and how our bodies work. It was wonderful to see the children confidently sharing their knowledge and getting their families involved in the activities. A huge thank you to everyone who came along and supported us!

SPECIAL MENTIONS

LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL HAF TEAM

❄️ Free Winter Holiday Clubs for Eligible Families
This Winter, children aged 4–16 who receive targeted free school meals can enjoy free holiday clubs and trips worth up to £100 through the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme.
Sessions run during the Winter school holiday period and include:
🎨 Craft activities
⚽ Sports, games, and outdoor play
🍲 A healthy meal each day
😊 A chance to build confidence, make friends, and stay active
👉 Book here from 24th November:
https://eequ.org/leicestershirehaf

SPORTS

A huge congratulations to our girls' football team, who won their local area final and secured a place in the Leicestershire County Finals! The girls showed fantastic determination, teamwork and skill, finishing an impressive third place across Leicestershire, despite unfortunately not having the opportunity to play all of their matches. We are incredibly proud of their achievement and the way they represented our school. Well done, girls!



SPECIAL MENTIONS

SANTA FUN RUN FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER 2026

🎅 It's beginning to look a lot like... fundraising! 🌈

We're excited to announce that Albert Village Primary School will be joining 25 other Rise schools for the Rainbows Festive Fun Run on Friday 4 December!

Together, we're taking on a HUGE challenge – travelling 2,575 miles to the North Pole and raising £5,000 for Rainbows Children's Hospice! ❄️

Please come along and support your child(ren) as they take on this challenge - the run starts at 9.15am in the school playground.

❤️ We'd love your support! Even a small donation can make a big difference. Collection buckets will be going around on the day to take cash donations.

👉 Donate here: Just Giving Albert Village Primary School

#RainbowsFestiveFunRun #RiseMAT #RainbowsHospice



REMINDERS

- This is a friendly reminder regarding break time snacks. If your child brings in a snack to eat at breaktime please can you ensure it is a healthy snack such as a piece of fruit and that it is put into your child's school bag rather than their lunchbox to make it easier to access. Please note, children in Key Stage 1 are provided with fruit for their snack. All children need to bring a water bottle with them.
- All children must arrive into school promptly at 8.45am and correctly equipped for the day ahead, if your child has PE they need to come into school dressed in their PE kit. Please note on all other days, children are to come to school in full school uniform, comprising of a white polo shirt (Key stage 1) and a white shirt and school tie (Key stage 2) charcoal grey/black trousers, shorts or skirt and an Albert Village School jumper or cardigan.
- The school day begins at 8.45am prompt - please arrive on time so that your child can begin their learning straightaway. Any arrival after 8.55am will be classed as late.
- Payment for school dinners must be made on Arbor prior to ordering on Relish. Please check your account regularly and keep it topped up.
- All absences must be reported to the office prior to 9.15am. Please call 01283 217880 and select option 1. Please leave your child's name, class and reason for absence. If your child has a case of sickness or diarrhoea please note that your child must remain at home for 48hrs from the last occurrence, this is to prevent the risk of infection in school.
- May we please remind everyone who drives for drop off & pick up to be mindful of and considerate to pedestrians, our neighbours and other road users when driving and parking near to school. Do not cause an obstruction on the road or the footpath and take care getting your children in and out of your vehicles.