



News from Great Alne Primary School

Responsible, Respectful, Ready

Dear Parents and Carers,

18.7.25

As we come to the end of a very full and eventful school year, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on this final week of term - which has certainly been one of the busiest yet!

This week, we welcomed HMI inspectors into school for two days. I would like to thank the staff and children for showing the very best of Great Alne Primary during the visit. The full report will be shared with all parents and carers in September once it has been published.

At this time of year, we also say a fond farewell to our wonderful Year 6 pupils. They have been an incredible part of our school community, and we are so proud of everything they have achieved. We wish them all the very best as they take their next big step into secondary school.

We also send our best wishes to three children who are moving on to new schools and adventures - we hope you settle in quickly and continue to thrive.

A huge and heartfelt thank you must go to our dedicated staff team, who have worked tirelessly throughout the year to support, inspire and care for our pupils. I am incredibly proud of the commitment and warmth they bring to school each and every day. We also say goodbye and good luck to those staff members who are moving on to pastures new - thank you for everything you have given to our school.

Finally, I would like to express my sincere thanks to you - our parents and carers - for your continued support throughout the year. And to our wonderful children, thank you for your energy, kindness, and enthusiasm - you make Great Alne such a special place.

I wish you all a safe, happy and restful summer break. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on **Wednesday 3rd September 2025**.

Many thanks,

L. Williams

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Autumn term 2025

Monday 1st September 2025 **Teacher Training Day**

Tuesday 2nd September 2025 **Teacher Training Day**

Wednesday 3rd September – Children return for autumn term

Half term: Monday 27th October 2025 to Friday 31st October 2025

Ends: Friday 19th December 2025

Christmas holiday: Monday 22nd December 2025 to Friday 2nd January 2026

Spring term 2026

Monday 5th January 2026 **Teacher Training Day**

Tuesday 6th January – Children return for spring term

Half term: Monday 16th February 2026 to Friday 20th February 2026

Ends: Thursday 26th March 2026

Friday 27th March 2026 **Teacher Training Day**

Spring (Easter) holiday: Monday 30th March 2026 to Friday 10th April 2026

Summer term 2026

Starts: Monday 13th April 2026 – Children return for summer term

Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday

Half term: Monday 25th May 2026 to Friday 29th May 2026

Ends: Monday 20th July 2026 **Teacher Training Day**



Warwickshire
POLICE

Operation
Talkative

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Intelligence regarding possession of knives

Have
information
about
someone
carrying a
knife?



Scan the QR code to contact
Crime Stoppers anonymously

Report it to us



999 in an emergency
101 to report info



report online
warwickshire.police.uk

Warwickshire
POLICE

TRANQUILLITY
GROUP
DOMESTIC ABUSE SUPPORT
GROUP

Free course!

Are you open to Warwickshire
Children Services?

Have you experienced domestic
abuse in the past or present?

Do you have children under the age
of 18 or are currently pregnant?

Do you have childcare for the
duration of the course?

Is it safe to be contacted
weekly by a facilitator?

Can you read, write
and speak English?

Do you have transport or the
funds to get to the venue weekly?

Starting
10th Sept 2025
Weekly course
running
termly

Ran by
Experienced
facilitators from
The Domestic
Abuse Team

12-2pm
Lillington
Children and
Family Centre
Warwick



[childrenssociety.org.uk/
time-warwickshire](http://childrenssociety.org.uk/time-warwickshire)



[timecoventry_warwickshire@
childrenssociety.org.uk](mailto:timecoventry_warwickshire@childrenssociety.org.uk)



<https://cid.coventry.gov.uk/kb5/coventry/directory/localoffer.page?familychannel=4>

Organisation	Location	Age	SEND	Type	Paid?	Link
Lucky tails care farm	Atherstone	7 to 13	Specific	Farm	Paid	https://www.luckytailsalpacaafarm.co.uk/holiday-club
Quirky Kids: thursdays holiday club 10-12	Nuneaton	Various	Specific	Multiple activities	£1/child/day	https://searchout.warwickshire.gov.uk/group/256/quirky-kids-holiday-club
Spencer's charity farm, langdale trust	Berkswell	Various	Specific	Farm and Play	Paid	https://www.spencerscharityfarm.com/visitor-information
Flourish at the farm	Stratford	Various	Specific	Farm	Paid	https://www.flourishatthefarm.co.uk/
ILEAP	Multiple	Various	Specific	Multiple activities	Paid	https://www.ileap.co.uk/activites/holiday-activities/summer-holidays
Inclusive sports academy	Multiple	Various	Specific	Sport	Paid	https://www.inclusivesportsacademy.org/
Links Day Care Centre	Nuneaton	Primary	Inclusive	Multiple activities	Paid	https://linksdaycarecentre.co.uk/school-hours-care/
Stagecoach Rugby	Rugby	4 to 18	Inclusive	Performing Arts	Paid	https://www.stagecoach.co.uk/rugby
Bridges Holiday Scheme	Rugby	3 to 11	Inclusive	Multiple activities	Paid	https://www.brownsovercommunityschool.co.uk/welcome-1/
Knights and Quests	Rugby	5 to 11	Inclusive	Multiple activities	Free and lunch	https://stmarksbilton.org.uk/blog/105783
Junior Adventures Group Holiday Club	Rugby	5 to 12	Inclusive	Multiple activities	Paid	https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/nmd-day-the-queens-diamond-jubilee-centre
Blue Strawberry Kids Daycare	Rugby	3 to 11	Inclusive	Multiple activities	Paid	https://www.thebluestrawberry.com/cawston/
Curious Roots Forest School Holiday Club	Southam	4+	Inclusive	Outdoors	Paid	https://www.curiousroots1.com/
The Strings Holiday Club	Leamington	4 to 7	Inclusive	Music	Paid	https://www.thestringsclub.org/holiday-camps
Twinkle Twinkle Stars	Leamington	Primary	Inclusive	Multiple activities	Paid	https://www.twinkletwinklestars.com/newpage
Skills and More	Warwick	Various	Inclusive	Multiple activities	Paid	https://www.skillsandmore.co.uk/
Warwick Tennis Club	Warwick	4 to 14	Inclusive	Sport	Paid	https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/warwicktennisclub/Coaching/Camps
CoolSportz Holiday Camp	Warwick and Henley	Various	Inclusive	Sport	Paid	https://www.coolsportz.co.uk/holiday-clubs
Tysoe Childrens Group	Stratford	Primary	Inclusive	Childcare	Paid	https://tysoechildrensgroup.co.uk/
SuperCamp Croft Preparatory School	Stratford	4 to 12	Inclusive	Multiple activities	Paid	https://www.supercamps.co.uk/venue/the-croft-preparatory-school?gad=1&gclid=EAlaQobChMItr7iz5XSgAMVyohQBh1BuwtDEAAAYASAAEgLTOfD_BwE
Aspire Active Camps	Multiple	Various	Inclusive	Sport	Paid	https://www.aspire-sports.co.uk/
Onside Coaching	Multiple	Primary	Inclusive	Sport	Paid	https://www.onsidecoaching.co.uk/



Rest

It is important to work hard, stay motivated and set goals to achieve in life. It is also important to not overwork yourself and get enough rest to help manage your stress and unwind so you can stay motivated and prevent burnout in the long run.

Rest is vital for your mental health as it can improve your concentration, memory, critical thinking, planning for the future, problem-solving, mood, immune system, reduce stress, and helps your body's metabolism and physical recovery.

Rest can be difficult to define because it can look different for everyone. It can be anything physical or mentally stimulating that improves wellbeing such as going for a walk, singing, drawing, cycling, playing games, watching TV/streaming, exercising, playing sports, reading, dancing, listening or creating music, writing, crafting, relaxing or anything else you enjoy!

Our Top Tips for Rest:

- After you have done something important like studying, chores or homework, reward yourself by doing something enjoyable that helps you recharge.
- Set aside enough time each day for hygiene. This can be showering, brushing teeth, washing hair. These regular activities can help you to relax.
- Create a healthy sleep routine by avoiding caffeine or sugary drinks near bedtime, ensure you are warm and comfortable in bed and limit screentime.
- Engage in some mindfulness or restful activity, such as meditation, reading, listening to calming music, podcasts or bedtime stories.



Use the QR code to download the Calm App, which has lots of meditations, soundscapes and stories.

In Coventry and Warwickshire, for any urgent mental health concerns, contact the RISE Crisis Helpline available 24/7, by calling NHS 111. Alternatively, call 999 or visit A&E in an emergency, for example if medical attention is required.

MHST are available to support you and your school throughout the school year including term time and school holidays.

Please contact your school's Mental Health Lead for information and advice.



Would you like to support your child's wellbeing?

Join us for a fun, interactive workshop where you'll discover the **5 ways of wellbeing** to stay mentally healthy together.

For children 4 years and older accompanied by their parents/carers

You can also speak to an Education Mental Health Practitioner to see if a referral directly into our service would be helpful for you and your child.

To book please email:

risecommunityoffer@covworkpt.nhs.uk

Or call: 07917504682

Please check that your child attends an MHST school

<https://cwrise.com/mhst/>



Where When Times

St. Michael's Children & Family Centre, Bedworth CV12 9DA
Monday 4th August & Monday 18th August 2025
10.30am – 1.30pm

Claremont Children and Families Centre, Rugby CV21 3LU
Monday 4th August & Monday 18th August 2025
10.30am – 1.30pm

Stratford Children and Families Centre, Stratford upon Avon CV37 9PB
Thursday 7th August & Thursday 21st August 2025
10.30am – 1.30pm

Families For All Hub, Coventry CV6 5LB
Monday 28th July 2025
10.30am – 1.30pm

Mosaic Family Hub, Coventry CV4 9PM
Friday 15th August 2025
10.30am – 1.30pm





Calm: A Worry Workshop for Families Does your child have worries?

Explore how to manage anxiety and help cope with worries about returning to school, new starts and changes. This interactive and fun workshop is for parents/carers and children to learn and practice ways to manage anxious feelings together.

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Rugby CV21 3LU
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Monday 11th August
2025
10.30am – 12.30pm

Lillington
Children and
Families Centre,
Leamington Spa
CV32 7QE
Monday 28th July &
Monday 11th August
2025
1pm – 3pm

The Moat Family
Hub, Coventry
CV2 1EQ
Monday 4th August
2025
2pm – 4pm

Families For All
Hub, Coventry
CV6 5LB
Wednesday 20th
August 2025
10.30am – 12.30pm





June 2025

Summer HAF 2025 Holiday Activities & Food (HAF) Programme

Dear Parent/Carer,

The Department for Education (DfE) funds the Holiday Activities & Food (HAF) programme. HAF provides young people the opportunity to access enriching activities alongside healthy meals over the **main school holidays at Easter, Summer & Christmas**.

Please note that this programme is entirely separate from the Local Welfare Scheme's household support funding (i.e. supermarket HUGGG vouchers).

Each eligible young person (in full-time education from reception to Year 11 who receives benefits-related free school meals) with a HAF code can access a maximum of **16 funded sessions** during our Summer delivery. Families have the flexibility to book with multiple activity providers if desired. All activity providers can request additional funding for 1-to-1 support if this is required, however this will depend on their staff availability and qualifications. We do have a number of SEND-specific activities which may be a more suitable option.



Family Information Service
0800 408 1558 fts@warwickshire.gov.uk Facebook: @WarwickshireFIS



For families not in receipt of benefits-related free school meals, we can release a limited number of HAF codes for each delivery period. A separate referral form will need to be completed on behalf of your family, if you're facing a significant financial barrier and one (or more) of the following criteria apply:

- Have an allocated family support worker or social worker
- On an open early help plan
- Your child(ren) acts as a young carer

The referral form is available upon request from a professional/allocated worker or school contact through hafprogramme@warwickshire.gov.uk

Summer activity listings will be available online from **Monday 23rd June 2025**. Within this information will be details of how all activities can be booked using an eligible HAF code.



Scan the QR code below to visit the HAF website.

Thank you for your continued engagement with the Warwickshire HAF programme. Please contact us directly if you have any queries related to the HAF scheme.

Warwickshire HAF Team



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Parent Governors wanted!

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL PRIMARY
SCHOOL?**

**DO YOU HAVE SPARE TIME AND AN INTEREST IN
VOLUNTEERING?**

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR A VARIETY OF SKILLS – NOT JUST IN
EDUCATION**

WE ARE A SMALL FRIENDLY TEAM

LOTS OF SUPPORT AND TRAINING AVAILABLE

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP PLEASE CONTACT US TO FIND OUT
MORE...**

Contact the office for further information:

admin2024@welearn365.com



Why does school attendance matter?

Missing a few days of school here and there may not seem a big deal, but research shows that it can have a significant impact on children's learning. A child who misses school just 2 days per month will lose out on 18 days' education across the school year – that's nearly four weeks.

Children who miss a substantial amount of school fall behind their peers, and struggle to catch up. Most of the work they miss is never made up, which can lead to big gaps in their learning. Poor attendance often starts at primary school, and children who fall into this pattern are likely to underachieve at secondary school. Friendships can be affected by persistent absence, too: it can be hard for a child who misses lots of school to form relationships with their classmates.

We will be reviewing our Attendance and Punctuality Policy this term and will continue to keep you up-dated about your child's attendance and punctuality.

Our target for all children is to achieve 96% attendance.

Attendance Matters

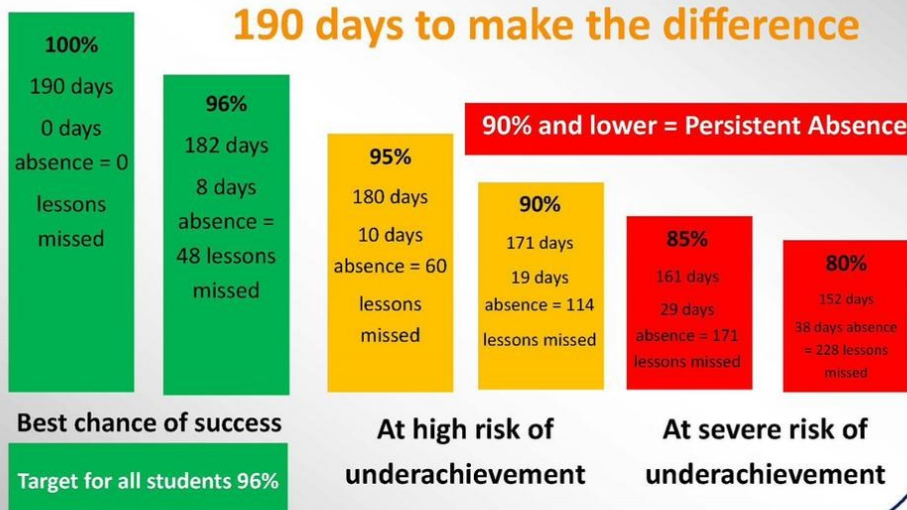
Good attendance means

Being in school at least 96% of the time or 180 to 190 days

365 days in a calendar year

175 days not in school for holidays, appointments, exercise

190 days to make the difference



Attend school regularly, attend school punctually, attend school prepared!