



News from Great Aine Primary



“ From tiny acorns, mighty oaks do grow

1.5.26

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can hardly believe that we have already arrived in the month of May—the year truly does seem to be passing in the blink of an eye! It feels as though we were just welcoming in the new year, and here we are already enjoying the lighter mornings and longer days.

It has been another busy and productive week in school, filled with learning, laughter, and the many moments that make our community so special. Our weekly newsletter normally focuses on the children and their many achievements, but this week’s letter is a reflection on the wonderful adults in our school community who make all of this possible.

I would particularly like to take a moment to thank our incredible staff team. They consistently go above and beyond, showing unwavering dedication, care, and professionalism in everything they do.

It is quite remarkable to have such a team—one that pulls together, supports one another, and is always there for our wonderful children. Their commitment ensures that every child feels valued, encouraged, and inspired each and every day.

I feel very lucky to be able to steer such a brilliant team, and my heartfelt thanks go out to each and every one of them. Their hard work does not go unnoticed, and I know you will join me in appreciating all that they do for our school community.

Looking ahead to next week, all children will be given individual responsibilities to help keep our school happy, organised, and running smoothly. These positions of responsibility will play an important role in preparing them for the adult world they will one day step into.

Wishing you all a lovely start to May and a restful Bank Holiday break.

Warmest regards,

Miss L. Williams

Headteacher



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Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much.

HELEN KELLER



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Summer Term Dates 2026

Summer term dates – 2026

Monday 13th April – all children return to school for summer term!

Monday 20th April- Drayton Manor Park and Zoo whole school trip

Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday Monday

Monday 11th May – KS2 SATs week

Monday 11th May – English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling paper 1 and 2

Tuesday 12th May – English Reading paper

Wednesday 13th May – Mathematics paper 1 and 2

Thursday 14th May – Mathematics paper 3

Monday 18th May – Multi-cultural week

Thursday 21st May – World Day for Cultural Diversity

Friday 22nd May – Break up for half term

Monday 1st June – children return to school

Monday 1st June – Year 4 Multiplication Check window opens (two weeks)

Monday 8th June – Phonics Screening week- Year 1 only

Thursday 2nd July – End of year school reports out to parents

Wednesday 8th July – Whole school change up day

Friday 17th July- Last day of term

Monday 20th July – Teacher Training Day (school closed to children)





Great Alne School Diary Dates – 2025-2026

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**