



News from Great Alne



Primary



“ From tiny acorns, mighty oaks do grow

Dear Parents and Carers,

15.5.26

What a wonderful and memorable week we have had at Great Alne Primary School!

As always, we are incredibly proud of all of our children for the enthusiasm, kindness and determination they show each and every day. This week, however, we would especially like to celebrate our fantastic Year 6 pupils, who completed their SATs tests.

The children approached each test with maturity, resilience and positivity. They worked extremely hard and applied themselves brilliantly throughout the week, and we could not be prouder of the effort and determination they demonstrated. Regardless of the results, they should all feel very proud of themselves. To celebrate their hard work and achievements, the children will be enjoying a special cinema visit this week — a very well-deserved treat!

Wednesday was also a particularly emotional day for our school community as we said goodbye and good luck to Mr Gavin. We enjoyed a lovely celebratory afternoon together filled with music quizzes, cakes, crisps and plenty of dancing! As many of you know, Mr Gavin is passionate about music, so it seemed only fitting to celebrate him with a musical quiz or two.

One of the highlights of the afternoon was hearing Mr Gavin perform a song he had written all about Great Alne Primary School on his ukulele — a truly special moment. A huge thank you to Mrs Bradley, our resident baker, for creating the most delicious cupcakes, and to Mrs Palmer who kept the party atmosphere going as our DJ for the afternoon!

Mr Gavin, we wish you all the very best for the future. Thank you for everything you have done for our school community. Don't be a stranger — you will always be part of the Great Alne family.

Next week, we are very excited to be celebrating Multicultural Week in school. The children will be “travelling around the world” as they learn about a variety of different countries and cultures through exciting activities and experiences across the week. We are very much looking forward to sharing their learning with you.

We hope you all have a lovely and restful weekend.

Warm wishes,

Miss L. Williams

Headteacher



Mr. Gavin



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**