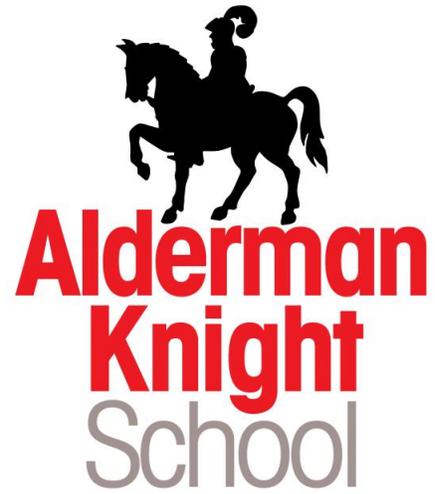


**Week Commencing 9th January 2023**



Primary

Welcome back 2B, Happy New Year! Last week we had a fantastic trip to the Everyman to see Dick Whittington...Oh no we didn't!!



House Point Winner this week is Dylan



Star of the Week is Jayden



**Forest School**



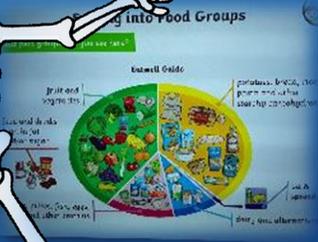
Last week 2B did some litter picking to make our school a tidier place. They did a great job. Mrs Barlow has also put in place the Big bird watch, so we will be keeping our eyes peeled.

First week back swimming, brilliant effort was put in. They have enjoyed improving their balancing skill in gymnastics in P.E. They have worked so hard well done 2B!!



RSPB's Big Schools' Birdwatch

**Science**



2B have been looking at the makeup of their skeletons and what are the right nutrients needed to be healthy.



Star of the Week: Eloise



House Point Winner: Flynn

In Art we looked at Roy Lichtenstein and Pop Art using Ben-Day dots to colour in.



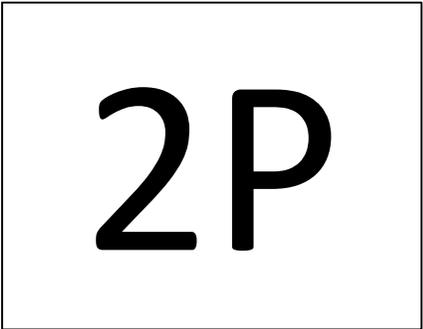
The children had a wonderful time at the pantomime last week and behaved perfectly, lots of laughs and a lovely start to the new term!



**Wonderful to be back at Forest School, making bird feeders and cooking puff pastry twirls over the fire pit. Yummy!**

**We are starting the Big Schools' Birdwatch 2023.**





On Friday, the children collected a full bag of litter from around the school grounds. This week we have been thinking about how we can continue to care for our environment. We have each written a pledge of how we can help to do this. We have our Pledgehog displayed in the primary corridor.

2P had a super fun time watching the Pantomime at the Everyman theatre in Cheltenham last week. It was great to see the children laughing at the fun jokes and singing along to the catchy songs. Tweedy the cat was very funny!

Marvellous Maths

The children have been learning number bonds to ten. They have enjoyed playing on Top Marks- Hit the Button game. We have also been practising a rhyme to help us remember.



In PE, we have been exploring shape, space and movement through dance. We have been measuring in Maths – we ordered ourselves from tallest to shortest, and measured objects around the classroom using cubes! In Geography, we had fun creating our very own giant treasure maps.

2R



This week in PSD we have been learning about how to keep ourselves safe. We have been thinking about road safety and staying with a trusted adult.



House Point  
Winner:  
Elliott!



We enjoyed a very musical Science lesson all about sound! Using instruments, we explored 'loud' and 'quiet' then played a fun game of 'guess that sound'.

Good Amazing Silly



Great

Brilliant

Funny

A big welcome back to everyone in 2S, and what a start to the year it has been. We are all looking forward to the adventures we will share in 2023!



We had a fantastic horse-riding session, sadly our last for this year. However, we are so proud of the boys and not only the progression they have made but seeing their confidence grow has been incredible.

House Point Winner:  
**George**

# 2023

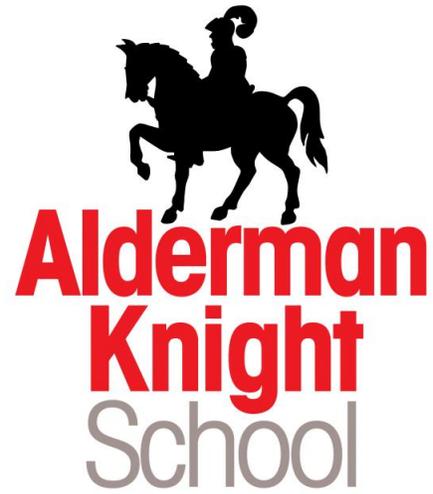
HAPPY NEW YEAR

We had an amazing Forest School session this week. Our first proper week working round the fire. We were able to cook some puff pastry and roast some marshmallows. Which were delicious.



On Wednesday last week we were all very lucky as we went to see the fantastic Pantomime of Dick Wittington. Starring an AKS favourite of Tweedy, the Clown. Everyone really enjoyed laughing, cheering, booing and singing along with some great songs. A big thank you from 2S! They all described the Panto in one word...





Key Stage 3



We have had a brilliant week in P.E. We have really challenged ourselves to try some tricky rolls and have persevered to make them the best we can. Well done 7G!

# 7G



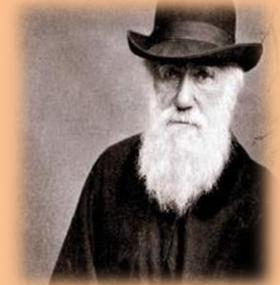
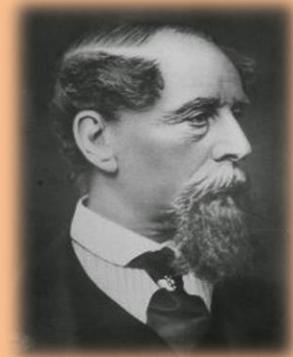
Now we know...  
Charles Dickens was a famous Victorian author.



Our House Point Winner is Chardae.



We all worked carefully and independently to make carrot muffins this week. We tackled some tricky skills, including grating.



Charles Darwin was a famous Victorian biologist.



Our Star of the Week is Cydney



We are excited to be using the keyboards in Music this term.



# OUR WEEK

7N



A happy new year for 7N! It has been a fantastic return to school with the class jumping straight back in to their lessons.



House Point Winner



Star of the Week

The class are looking forward to finishing their misfit dolls, and starting their new DT topic of woodwork over the next weeks.

The class have enjoyed starting the keyboards in music, and we are looking forward to seeing them learn a new skill! We are also loving PE this week, the group have started their new topic of gymnastics.

Well done 7S for coming back after the holidays with such enthusiasm and determination. We have started lots of new topics, including Gymnastics in P.E, keyboards in Music, and soon to be Time in Maths.

7S



Star of the Week:  
*Harry How*

HP Winners:  
*Louie, Lucas  
and Ethan*

Writing our own  
class rules

7S have done especially well in class this week, we have seen lots of considerate and mature behaviour. Well done!

Our Misfit dolls are very nearly all finished! We are so impressed with how they have turned out

**A very  
busy  
week in  
8L**

**Our House Point  
Winner is Libby!**



**We've started a  
new topic of  
gymnastics in  
PE.**

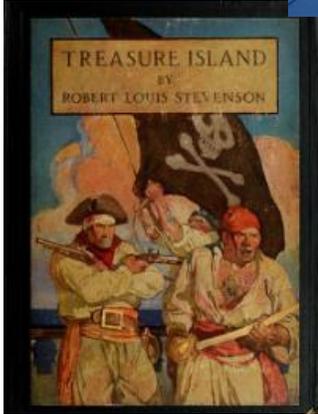


**Summer  
enjoyed  
helping Mrs  
Francis with a  
science demo.**

**8L had a good trip to  
the Tewkesbury  
flooding on Thursday  
Pictures to follow  
next week.**

**8L**

**Have a great time at  
Young Voices Mrs Khan,  
Kauto, Libby, Chelsea and  
Cassie!!**



**Our new English book this  
term is Treasure Island.  
We are looking forward  
to writing our own  
adventure stories!**



**Our cushions are  
coming on well in  
DT.**



**Everyone  
has enjoyed  
our first  
couple of  
lessons of  
learning the  
keyboard.**

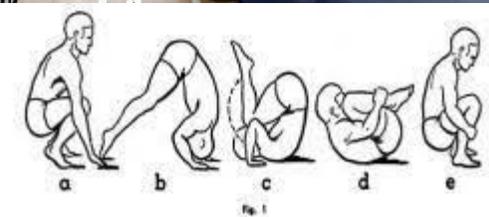


HOUSE POINT WINNER:  
KIERAN

8M



This week in PE we have been practising different ways to travel across the mats. We had some amazing Rolly Pollies.



In Science we measured the strength of sweets. We had to work out how much force was needed until the sweet broke apart.



A massive thank you to Mrs Lamburn for taking us on a fantastic, interesting school trip!



In English we have started a new book called Treasure Island. 8M is already excited to find the treasure!!



In Music we have started to use the keyboard.



On the 5th of January, we managed to earn 36 house points!!!



We have started on our cushions in DT.



Happy New Year 2023

Orienteering in PE was great fun, we loved gathering up all our goodies and presenting them to Mr Altman & Mr Stinton.

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**OUR WEEK**

In Art, we have managed to draw various parts of our school in the same style as Vincent van Gogh.



Yippee, we are super-duper excited to be playing on the keyboards.





**Star of the Week:  
Alfie S**



**House Point Winner:  
George W**

**9A**



**A full week for 9A including  
cooking, where the pupils  
made Chinese Prawn  
Noodles.**



**In Science this week pupils  
used spring balance  
weighing scales to weigh  
various objects.**



**In PE 9A took  
part in an  
introduction  
to orienteering.**



**9A on their school  
trip to a  
flooding workshop  
in Tewkesbury.  
Great teamwork.**



# 2023

# 9K

9K have been using pegboards in Mathematics this week to help them with their multiplication skills.



In RE, they had to decide whether certain beliefs were Christian, Humanist or both. They had to throw each belief into the corresponding hoop.



In Science learning about Force, they did an experiment... How much weight could a candy lace take before it snapped??



**Aidan**

Star of the Week:



House Point Winner:



On Wednesday, 9L showed their skills on the trampoline from seat drops to back drops.



This week our House Point winner is Noah.



Happy Birthday to Lawrie from all of 9L.



9L

In PE the class have started to learn about orienteering.



In Science 9L have been working with a timer and seeing how fast objects fall.



This picture is  
Tewkesbury 24  
hours ago.

9M had a great day at the Old Baptist Chapel learning about flooding. We walked to look at the present floods; this is a normal amount of water but in 2007 there was a great flood. We looked at how to stay safe, defences and what we can do to alleviate the flooding.

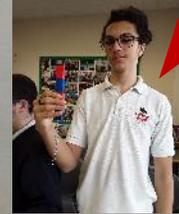
We have started to learn about Keyboards in Music.

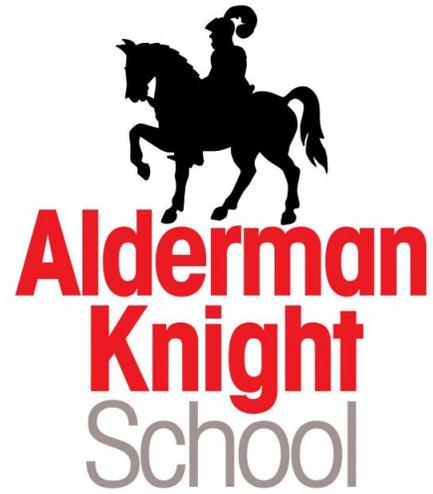
House Point  
Winners:  
Holly and  
Jaiden

Star of  
the Week:  
Kyle

In Science we are learning about pushing and pulling forces.

In Food we made yummy pasta.





Key Stage 4



We really enjoy our library sessions as part of our learning, taking time to read for pleasure.



# 10A

Star of the  
Week:  
Tomi

In our Science lessons we have learned more about circuits and voltage in Physics and learned about cells in Biology using SENECA.

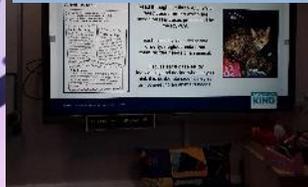


In PE we have started to learn special skills in basketball and trampolining.



House Point  
Winner:  
John O

In LifeSkills we have learned lots about animal welfare and the laws around care.



- RSPCA** Looking after our pets
- To be able to state the five animal welfare needs
  - To be able to describe the needs of specific pets
  - To be able to evaluate which animals make the best pets and why



In PSD we are learning to enamel as part of our mindful leisure activities.



Tutor Star:  
Thomas

HOUSE POINT WINNER:  
Sam

# 10N

Assembly

10N led a wonderful assembly last Friday all about the twelve day of Christmas. A huge well done to those pupils who had speaking parts.



Music

In Music this week, the class have been learning about how to position fingers on the keyboards. Then we moved on to playing "Mary had a little lamb"



PE

During our PE lessons the class have been revising their basketball skills by playing mini games with 11B.



Lego models

Oscar has been busy the past few weeks building these fantastic Lego models. He was so excited to show everyone!



Happy New Year everyone!



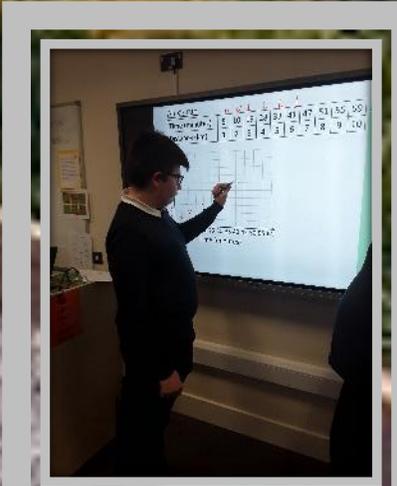


The Land-Based Studies group have been busy learning about The Animal Welfare Act 2006. The Biology group have been revising a lot using SENECA. The PE groups are trampolining and learning new basketball skills. The Maths groups have been learning BIDMAS, graphs, pie charts and fractions. In LifeSkills they have been learning the difference between a Tenant and Landlord and looking at how much properties are to rent in Tewkesbury.

Star of the Week:  
William

The road may be long, but together we can make it.  
2023

House Point Winner:  
Harley



Welcome back 11B!

11B House Point Winner:  
John

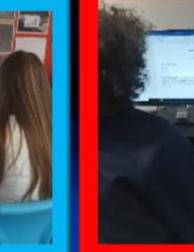
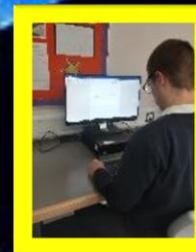
11B



In Science 11B have been practising experiments on filtration and dissolving. They have been dissolving salt into water.

In RE, 11B have been cutting out their Menora whilst learning about Hannauka.

Happy New Year!



In English 11B have come on leaps and bounds with their reading!

In IT 11B have now finished their task on writing a letter of complaint, they are now working on sending an email.



Well done to Thomas and Michael who are this weeks House Point Winners!



# 11J

# HAPPY NEW YEAR



Welcome back 11J!  
It is great to see everyone again.  
11J have been working hard but keeping calm as Mock Exams are not far away.  
Rain this week meant PE was in the hall but as you can see there was lots of action.  
Well done to you all.





Well done to the pupils in 11S who took part in the Christmas Foodie Challenge – you deserve your House Points!



It's good to see 11S back after the Christmas holidays, and to see them approaching their Mock exams calmly.

# 11S

Good Luck to all involved in Young Voices this week!



# HAPPY NEW YEAR

*twenty-three*



The wet weather meant that our PE lesson was indoors this week. Mr Hunt and Mr Altman set up circuits around the hall – there were some aching limbs the next day!



The Media group put their creative talents to good use and produced a video advertisement for a costume shop.

**Our House Point Winner this week is Leo - Congratulations!**

**Congratulations also to Harry C, who was our winner last week.**



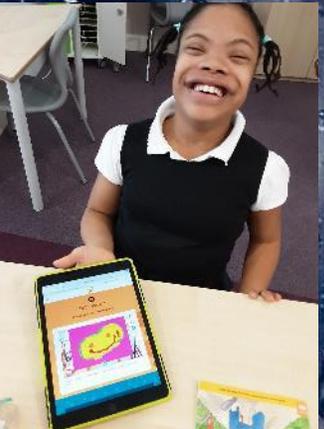
Most  
House  
Points:  
Olivia

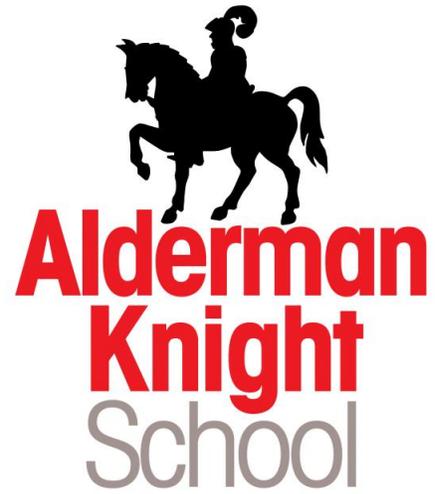
In Maths, 11W started  
geometry and  
recapped position  
and shape before  
starting their  
coursework.

# 11W

It has been lovely  
welcoming everyone  
back for the new term  
and 11W have been  
keen to get started.  
Everyone set some  
resolutions for the year.

Everyone started  
using different  
graphics apps in ICT  
and trying out the  
different tools.



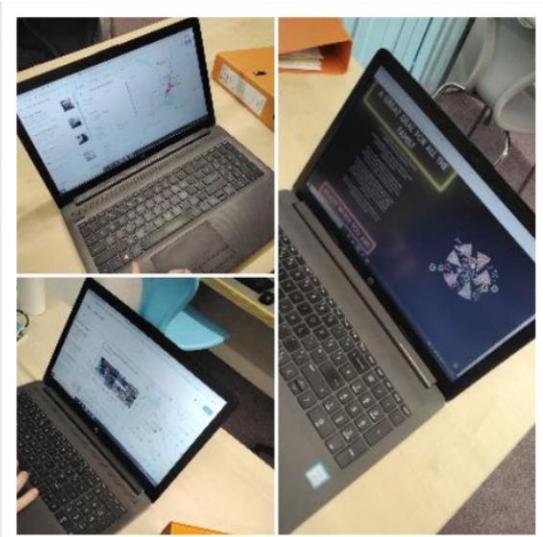


Post 16

General Business Studies has continued into the new year. Mr Everis is teaching Post-16 about how different companies have different goals. We have been comparing the financial aims of Amazon against the charitable goals of The Big Issue.



Post 16 – 12B, 12W & 13F.



Welcome back Post-16! It is great to see everyone again and to hear about their Christmas. Post-16 have been discussing any New Year's Resolutions they have made and how to achieve them.

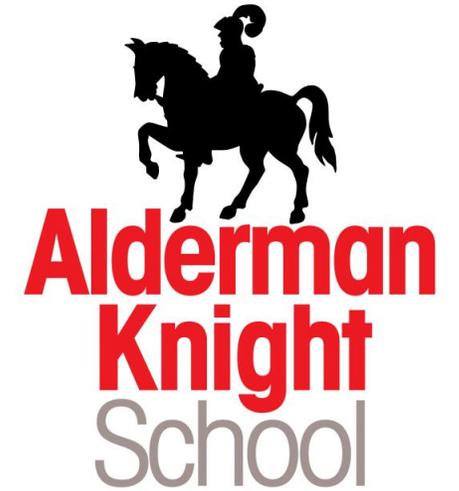
In English, part of Post-16 have been continuing with An Inspector Calls. Students have been practicing exam style questions about the play.

For life skills challenge, Post-16 have started 'Visiting a Restaurant' which includes identifying restaurants for a potential future trip!



Welcome back AKS!

It has been so lovely hearing from so many students as to how they have been practicing their signing over the Christmas break. They have also been teaching different family and friends!



Signs of the  
week





This sign is for 'to sit'

To sign "Sit down", place one hand on top of each other and move your hands down, to show that you are asking somebody to sit.



To sign "to jump", use your middle finger and index finger of one hand. On top of the hand which you are not using put your two fingers on top and move your fingers up and down as if you are jumping. Keep your fingers apart as if they are legs.



A big thank you to my three helpers this week. Well done!

2HP each!



To sign "to walk", you use one hand and use your middle finger and your index finger and move them as if your fingers are walking.



total communication



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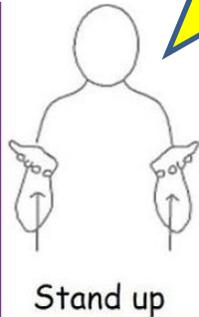
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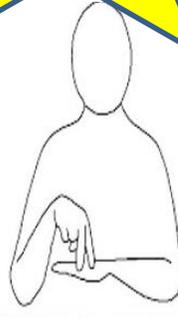
Alderman Knight School



To swim put both your hands together, push your hands forward and away from your chest and move your hands apart, loop them away from your body as if you was swimming in the water, and then put your hands back together.



Stand up



To sign "stand up", you use both your hands. Put your hands facing upwards so your palms are up, and then move your hands up to show you would like somebody to stand up.

To sign "to stand", use the same fingers in which you did for jump and walk (your index and middle) and on top of the other hand put your two fingers on top of your hand and keep them still.