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Alkrington Primary School Newsletter Thursday 30th April 2026



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School Uniform

In the Summer term, children may wear their Summer Uniform, including pale blue polo shirt, or Summer dress. If you wish to continue wearing your shirt and tie, that is OK.



Please make sure that your child has black shoes for school, not trainers.

As the weather begins to improve, we kindly ask parents to help keep children safe in the sun by applying suncream before school, ensuring they bring a water bottle and drink plenty throughout the day, and wear a sun hat to protect them during outdoor learning and playtimes.

A simple, practical option is shown in the photograph below—Summer hats that match the girls' dresses can be purchased from most supermarkets. Thank you for your support in helping us keep all children comfortable and protected during the warmer months.



New Starters Events

Parents and carers should now have received confirmation of whether their child has been offered a place in Reception, Nursery, or our Rising 3's provision for September 2026. We have already begun a series of transition events to help children settle in.

In May and June, our new Nursery children and their parents will have an opportunity to attend a short play session. Children joining the Rising 3's and Reception will have several transition opportunities in June and July; dates will be confirmed shortly.

We would also like to invite all parents and carers of children starting in Rising 3's, Nursery and Reception this September to attend an important information meeting on:

Wednesday 3rd June

- 5:30 pm – Nursery & Rising 3's
- 6:00 pm – Reception

During these sessions, we will share key information to support your child in making a successful start to school. The meetings will last up to one hour, and your attendance is strongly encouraged.

Class Photographs

Just a reminder to all parents and carers that the deadline for ordering class photographs is 7th May. Please make sure your order is submitted by this date to avoid missing out. Thank you for your support.

School Dinners

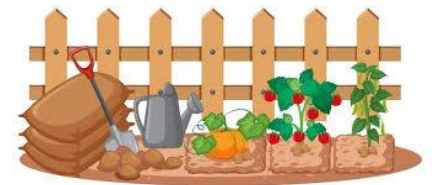
We are pleased to share that we have developed a new school

dinner menu for the summer term, offering two main choices each day, alongside daily jacket potatoes and a selection of sandwiches and/or paninis to ensure there is something for everyone. This has been carefully planned to provide greater variety, promote balanced nutrition and cater for a range of tastes and preferences.

The new Summer menu is now available to view on the school's website, and we encourage families to take a look.



We are also very proud of our Eco Club, who have taken an active role in enhancing our school's sustainability efforts. They have begun planting vegetables in the school allotment and have designed an exciting "allotment to kitchen" project. This initiative will see vegetables and herbs grown in our allotment and sensory gardens being used in the school kitchen.



This is an important step in helping children understand where their food comes from, encouraging healthy eating habits, and promoting environmental responsibility. It also provides valuable hands-on

learning opportunities, allowing pupils to take ownership and pride in the food they help to grow. Please see below with how you can help.

Tesco Stronger Starts – Support Our School!

We're excited to share that we have been selected for the Tesco Stronger Starts in-store voting programme!

Our focus is the 'Eco Greenhouse/allotment to Kitchen project'.

How you can help:

- 🗳️ Voting runs from 28th April to the end of July 2026
- 🛒 Every time you shop in Tesco, you'll receive a blue token (no minimum spend required)
- 🟦 Simply place your token in the box for Alkrington Primary School

Where to vote:

- Tesco Alkrington Express
- Tesco Middleton Extra
- Tesco Middleton Oldham Rd Express
- Tesco Middleton Langley Express

Why it matters:

- 🥇 1st place: up to £1,500
- 🥈 2nd place: up to £1,000
- 🥉 3rd place: up to £500

Please support us!

Encourage friends, family, and the wider community to vote whenever they shop. Every token counts and will help us bring this exciting eco project to life for our children 🌱

Thank you for your continued support!

Summer Club 2026

It is now possible to book a place in the school's Summer club via Arbor. The club will run from 20th July to 14th August 2026.

Coming up in the Summer term

Lots of exciting things are happening in school during this term – up to the Summer holiday:

- Monday 4th May - Bank Holiday – School Closed
- 5th May at 9.05 a.m. - Y5 Assembly
- 11th May to 14th May - Y6 SATs Week (Mon- Thurs)
- 12th May - Smithills Farm Trip (Reception)
- 15th May - Lancaster Farm Trip (Rising 3's)
- 18th May to 22nd May - Cultural Celebration Week
- 25th May to 29th May - Half Term Holidays
- 1st & 2nd June - Whole School Wow Writing Week - on -site Planetarium
- 3rd June - EYFS Open Evening 5.30 p.m. (Nursery & Rising 3's) and 6.00 p.m. (Reception)
- 8th June to 12th June - Lower School (Y1-Y3) Music Week
- 10th June - Ice Cream Farm Trip (Nursery)
- 15th June to 19th June - Upper School Music Week –
- 27th June from 12p.m. to 3p.m. - School Summer Fair
- 1st July - Nursery Graduation
- 3rd July - Treetop Nets Trip (Y6)
- 6th July - Awards Evening
- 7th July - Transition Day
- 8th July - Sports Day Y3, Y4 (10.30 a.m.), Y5 & Y6 (1.30 p.m.)
- 8th July at 7.00 p.m. - Y6 Show

- 9th July - Sports Day Reception (9.30 a.m.), Y1 & Y2 (10.30 a.m.)
- 9th July - Year 6 Adventure Day
- 9th July - Fireground Museum
- 14th July - Year 6 Disco
- 16th July - School Closes for the Summer Holidays

School Attendance – Week beginning 20th April

1st – 4B 97.3%

2nd – 3L 97.6%

Whole School – 95.4%

School Matters!



School Meal Menu

The school menu can be found on the school website, look in: *Parents and Carers/School Dinners*

Thank you for your continued support.



Andrew Nott (Headteacher)