



Alderbury & West Grimstead CE Primary School Newsletter

Foundations for Life

Friday 27th March 2026

Kindness

Justice

Respect



This term our Collective Worship theme is:



This week, we explored how justice and standing up for what is right was shown throughout the Easter story.

Headteacher's Update

As I reach the end of my first full term at AWGS, I want to express my heartfelt thanks for your warmth, commitment and open communication since I arrived. We have a truly special school community and I'm incredibly grateful to be working alongside you all. Thank you to everyone who supported our lovely Easter service this afternoon, with a special mention to Mrs Robson and Mrs Larkham for their organisation and preparation. Alongside a week full of Easter celebrations — including a visit from the Easter Bunny himself — we have also said some fond farewells. This week we wished Mrs Sell a very happy retirement and thanked her for her many years of dedicated service to the school. Today we also said goodbye to Mrs Valley and Becs, our chaplain, as they move on to new opportunities. We send them all our very best wishes for the future and thank them for everything they've done for our school. We hope you enjoy a wonderful Easter break and look forward to welcoming everyone back to school at 8:45am on Monday 13th April. Wishing you all a very happy Easter! 🌸 🌷

Good Friday – Messy Church

Friday 3rd April 2026, 10.30am–12 noon St Mary's Church, Alderbury

We'd love to see you at our Good Friday Messy Church—a morning of worship, crafts, activities and plenty of hot cross buns! It's a lovely event for families of all ages. If you can drop Alison a quick note to say you're coming, it will help us make sure we have enough buns for everyone: Alison@larkham.me.uk

Youth Adventure Trust – Wilts 3 Peaks Challenge

Join the Wiltshire 3 Peaks Challenge – 13th June!

The Youth Adventure Trust invites families to take part in the Wiltshire 3 Peaks Challenge, a fun day outdoors supporting local young people.

- **Routes:** 10km family-friendly, Half Marathon, or new full Marathon circular route
- **Perks:** Under 12s go free with an adult, all finishers get a medal and cake
 - **Entry Options:** Fundraise for the charity or self-funded entry
- **Early Bird Discount:** Use code **SCHOOLEARLY10** by 31st March for 10% off

Sign up and find out more: [Youth Adventure Trust – Wiltshire 3 Peaks Challenge](#)

Support local young people and enjoy a fantastic outdoor adventure!

Key Dates

WB 11th May – Y6 SATS Week

2nd & 3rd July – Y5/6 Residential – Fairthorne Manor

10th July – Sports Day

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Best Wishes,
Mrs Emily Woolf
Headteacher

Healthy Tuck Shop Trial – After Easter

We're excited to open our brand-new **Healthy Tuck Shop** straight after the Easter break! 🕒 ✨ Run entirely by our amazing pupils, the shop will offer a tasty range of nutritious, affordable snacks to keep everyone fuelled for learning.

What's on the menu:

- 🍌 Fresh fruit pots, dried fruit and whole fruit
- 🥕 Veggie sticks with dips
- 🥛 Low-fat yoghurts and cheese portions
- 🍪 Wholegrain crackers, breadsticks, popcorn and other healthy savoury bites

All items are **10p–50p**, and children may bring up to **£1**. We can't wait to promote healthier choices across the school. **See you after Easter!** ✨

Hub Governance Professional Role

Please see the link below for a hub governance professional vacancy within Pickwick Academy Trust.
<https://mynewterm.com/jobs/148677/EDV-2026-WCEPS-91392>

News from FAWGS

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to the disco on Friday evening. It was fantastic to see so many children enjoying themselves and we are delighted to share that we raised an amazing £380 for the school.

Thank you also to everyone who volunteered to help. It was wonderful to have so many parents and staff offering their time and support. It really does lighten the load and makes events like this possible.

You may have noticed our new banners outside the school. We hope these will help keep you up to date with upcoming events, with easy QR codes linking directly to bookings, our Facebook group and Easyfundraising.

Looking ahead to next term, we are excited to be hosting a Quiz Night at the village hall on Friday 24th April. This event is open to everyone, not just the school community, so please do bring along friends, family, parents and grandparents. Teams can be up to 8 people. Tickets are available via the PTA website: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/fawgs>

We are also starting to organise our Colour Run and Festival. After such a fantastic event last year, we are thrilled that the football club has kindly agreed to let us use their grounds again. This is a major fundraising event, raising over £1000 for the school last year, but it does require a lot of help to make it happen.

We would be incredibly grateful if you could consider volunteering some time on the day. Whether it is helping with set up, running a stall, selling raffle tickets or tidying up afterwards, every bit of support makes a real difference. You can sign up via the PTA website when booking tickets, or speak to us in person or by email.