



Alderbury & West Grimstead CE Primary School Newsletter

Foundations for Life

Friday 17th July 2026

Kindness

Justice

Respect



This term our Collective Worship theme is:



Ask us about what we learnt in
Open the Book this week 😊

Headteacher's Update

With such a busy end to the term, I would like to take a moment to thank everyone for their kind comments, support and warm words at the end of my first academic year at AWGS. It has been a pleasure to become part of such a special school community. I was delighted to see so many parents, families and community members at our Mary Poppins performances and I hope you enjoyed the show as much as we did. The children have worked incredibly hard and have spent these final weeks preparing for their next steps and celebrating all they have achieved this year. I wish you all a wonderful summer break and thank you for your continued support. We look forward to welcoming everyone back for another exciting year in September and the start of the 2026–2027 academic year. Enjoy the holidays! 🌞📖💎

Staff Goodbyes and Hellos

As we reach the end of the school year, we would like to wish Miss Orphan every happiness as she moves to a new school closer to her married home. We know she will be fantastic in her new role and can't wait to see pictures from her special day! We also send our very best wishes to Miss Anderson as she returns to Scotland to continue her studies and we wish a very special goodbye to Mrs Hill as she takes some well-deserved time for herself. Mrs Hill is truly an AWGS institution and will be missed enormously by staff, pupils and families alike. Looking ahead to September, we are delighted that Mrs Voigt will be increasing her hours and Mrs Santaoja will be joining us in a full-time Teaching Assistant role. We are also pleased to welcome Mrs Soul to the Breakfast Club team. We thank all our departing colleagues for their contribution to AWGS and wish them every success and happiness in the future.

School Uniform

As you enjoy the summer break, many families will be preparing for September by purchasing school uniform. Please note that the final deadline for ordering logo uniform from Embroidery Unlimited is 14th August. All uniform orders will need to be collected directly from Embroidery Unlimited during the holiday period. Full details of our uniform requirements can be found on the [school website](#) as well as the uniform order form. If you are looking for second hand uniform, please email the office today or Monday with your requirements and we will see what we can find to help!

Key Dates

1st September – Inset Day (school closed to all pupils)

2nd September – Welcome Back Pupils at 8:45am at Playground Gates (Year R at 09:00 via Playground Gates too please)

Best Wishes,
Mrs Emily Woolf
Headteacher