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Year 6 Newsletter October 2025

Welcome

Throughout October, the pupils have continued with their impressive start to life in Year 6 as they have performed very well in lessons and continue to demonstrate the 'values' that everyone at Alameda prides themselves on.

Updates & Successes

During lessons, pupils have demonstrated great focus and a willingness to get involved in class discussions through 'turn & talk' opportunities and offering feedback when selected by staff as part of our 'cold call' focus, replacing hands up, which is important for the development of their self-esteem and confidence. Our school values have been evident in the number of achievement points amassed since the first week of September with the tally for Year 6 currently at 11,531 at the time of writing, only 300 behind the leaders, Year 5.

Top 5 achievement point recipients in each Form Group

6A	Alanna, Leslie, Maeve, Lottie & Alexander
6C	Liyana, Micah, Ava, Grace & Alexander
6L	Willow, Ted, Keira, Bella & Martha
6M	Jaxon, Josh, William, Amelia & Nevae
6N	Niamh, Parker, Imogen, Rafferty & Chase
6R	Jessica, Daisy, Katie, Dylan & Isabelle

Special mentions go out to **Niamh** and **Parker**, who have both achieved over 100 points each. The high standards the pupils have set themselves are also evident in the low number of behaviour points allocated to the year group, significantly the lowest in the school.

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As identified in the recent SATs newsletter, Year 6 pupils have recently completed their initial series of mock tests which took place during normal lesson time in their regular classrooms to introduce them to this new expectation and format for sharing their knowledge and understanding.

With the pupils only having been taught for 6 weeks, we will use this as an opportunity to gauge how well all pupils have coped with both subjects so far, which in turn informs the Year 6 team of how the lessons should be structured moving forward, and what additional support can be offered. We look forward to seeing you at our SATs information evening on **Tuesday 4th November** to share all the relevant information regarding the tests in May and how best to prepare your child academically whilst managing their wellbeing.

Morning & Attendance Reminders

- Phone hand-in supervision begins at 8:15am.
- Breakfast Club is open and supervised from 8:00am.
- Attendance reminder: If your child is not well enough to attend school, please phone the absence line (01525 750900 – option 1) or email pupilabsence@alamedalamedamiddleschool.org.uk to inform us of the reason. This is important for safeguarding purposes.
- Late arrivals: If your child arrives to school late, they must come through reception to sign in.

Form Attendance

6A	94.30%
6C	94.01%
6R	95.98%
6L	95.14%
6N	97.69%
6M	96.70%

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Upcoming Events

- **Tuesday 4th November** - Pupils return to school.
- SATs information Evening (5:30-6:30pm)
- **Thursday 6th November** - Fun Run (wear house colours and crazy hair)
- **Friday 7th November** - Remembrance Service
- **Thursday 13th November** - Open Evening
- **Thursday 27th November - Tuesday 2nd December** – Book Fair

Other Information

A gentle reminder that, to help keep all our pupils safe, vehicle access to the school site is not permitted during school hours (8:00 am – 3:30 pm) except blue badge holders. We kindly ask that parents and visitors use the Sports Hall car park (via Parkside) or the turning circle between 8:40am and 3:00pm, and walk up to the school.

We all hope you enjoy the well-deserved break after a long half term.

Kind Regards

Mr Harley and the Year 6 team

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