Welcome to Alderbrook



Ambition

Bravery



Getting to know us

Headteacher

Tom Beveridge

Deputy Headteacher

Tim Stent

Assistant Headteacher

Emma Jones

SENCo

Kerry Thompson-Moore

Mental Health Coordinator

Cat Barratt

Whole School Reading Lead

Sophie Tierney







Our commitment

Relationships are positive and transformational

A culture of wellbeing and development for all

A broad and ambitious curriculum for all students

Students, and particularly our most vulnerable, are at the heart of all we do

We work in collaboration with many schools serving one community

We work to eliminate discrimination and ensure equality of opportunity

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Ofsted, April 2023

Relationships between pupils and staff are warm and respectful. Teachers treat pupils as individuals and pupils welcome this.

Leaders have developed an ambitious and well-sequenced curriculum, including in the sixth form

Pupils' well-being is at the forefront of leaders' vision, including pupils' mental health.

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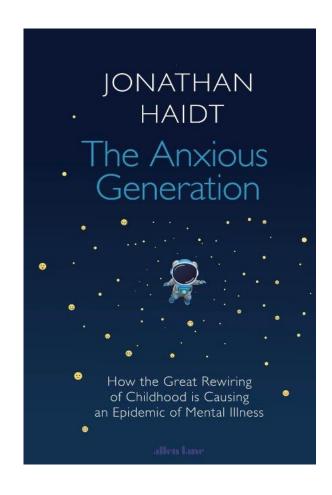






- We want children to learn without distraction
- We want children to be safe from harm

 We want children to be children for as long as possible







What is a normal day at Alderbrook School?

Time	Period
8.30-9.40	Period 1, including uniform check
9.40-10.40	Period 2
10.40-11.00	Break
11.00-11.20	Form
11.20-12.20	Period 3
12.20-12.55	First Lunch
12.55-1.55	Period 4b
1.55-3.00	Period 5

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Maths C121 7y/Ma1	French M18 7y/Fr2	Geography CH7 7y/Gg2	French G01 7y/Fr2	Geography CH7 7y/Gg2
Technology MT6 7y/Te2	History C23 7y/Hi2	Music A01 7y/Mu2	Aspire MT1 7y/As2	Re CH3 7y/Re2
Registration M25 7P02/Rg				
Break Time				
Science C02 7y/Sc2	Maths C121 7y/Ma1	Computing M17 7y/Cp2	Science C25 7y/Sc2	English M24 7y/En2
PE 7y/Pe2	English M24 7y/En2	English M24 7y/En2	Geography CH7 7y/Gg2	PE 7y/Pe2
Lunch Time				
Art A07 7y/Ar2	Science C25 7y/Sc2	Drama MST 7y/Dr2	English M24 7y/En2	Maths C121 7y/Ma1

Mon2	Tue2	Wed2	Thu2	Fri2
English M23 7y/En2	Technology MT6 7y/Te2	English M24 7y/En2	Music A01 7y/Mu2	Science C28 7y/Sc2
History C23 7y/Hi2	French G01 7y/Fr2	History C23 7y/Hi2	PE 7y/Pe2	Maths C11 7y/Ma1
Registration M25	Registration M25	Registration M25	Registration M25	Registration M25
7P02/Rg	7P02/Rg	7P02/Rg	7P02/Rg	7P02/Rg
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		Break
PE 7y/Pe2	English M24 7y/En2	Food Te M
Computing M17 7y/Cp2	Science C25 7y/Sc2	Maths C11
		Lunch
Science C25 7y/Sc2	Maths C121 7y/Ma1	Re CH3











Alderbrook's before-school clubs start at 7:30am or 8:00am.

Our after-school clubs start at 3:10pm.

Please follow our TWITTER/X account for updates, announcements and details.

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https://twitter.com/ABKclubs

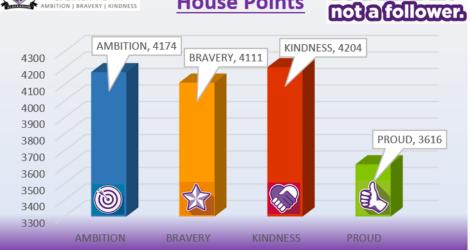
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7	STAGE CREW - The Edg	ge CHOIR – A01 CRICKET – PE block GIRLS' ROUNDERS – PE block	WARHAMMER – C23 SCIENCE CLUB – C24 ROCK & POP BANDS – A02 NT CONNECTIONS – The Edge BOYS' TENNIS – PE block	ORCHESTRA – A01 – 7:30am ATHLETICS – PE block DANCE CLUB – Dance Studio	GIRLS' TENNIS – PE block
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House system

House Football, House Netball, European Day of Languages, ABK Bake Off, World Kindness Day, **Computing Escape Room, Humanities University Challenge, House Dodgeball, Textiles Christmas Jumper Competition, Big Quiz - 6th Form, Art Competition Science** Challenge, Maths Challenge, Race to the Top, Solihull Half Marathon, Braids Assemblies, **Sports Day**



16,105 Community **Enrichment** Achievement



House Points

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2024/25 House Events (Proposed Schedule)

 Spelling Bee Bake Off Science Event · English dept Technology dept September January May Dodgeball (PE) Football Talent show Maths event Netball Performing arts February October June dept PE dept Braids Assemblies Escape Room University Challenge Computing dept Sports Day Humanities dept March July November • 6th Form Quiz Race to the top! Christmas Jumper Colin April December Competition?

Pastoral support for your child

Pastoral

- Head of Year
- Pastoral Manager
- First Aid- in house school nurse
- Attendance Officer

Form tutor

- Follows students though their school career
- First port of call
- Day to day support
- Support behaviour
- Monitoring welfare & progress
- Leading our Reading programme







Emotional Health and Mental Wellbeing







ABK VALUES

Our Shared Values of ambition, bravery and kindness are the foundations of our school community. At Alderbrook we want everyone to feel respected, safe and happy. Emotional health and mental wellbeing is an important focus in our school improvement plan. We promote our school values and EHMW across school via posters, displays, behaviour systems, staff planners, student ambassadors and safe spaces.























Academic support

- Form groups
- Two-week timetable
- Mixed ability groups in most subjects: Learning groups
- Ability groups in Maths
- Language groups in Modern Foreign Languages: French or Spanish

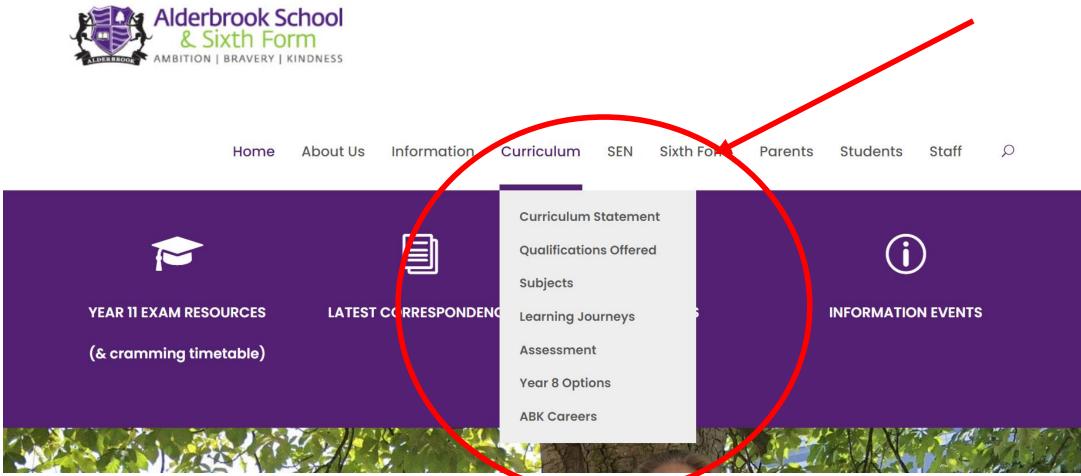








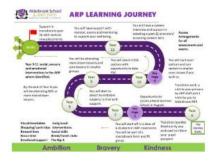
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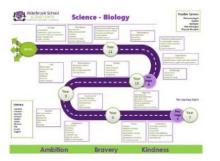
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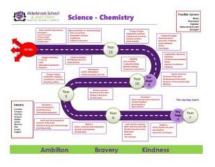


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ART & PHOTOGRAPHY

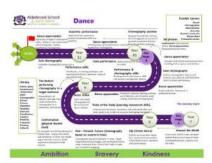
BIOLOGY

BUSINESS









CHEMISTRY

COMPUTING

CREATIVE MEDIA

DANCE

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French

BUILDING A REPERTOIRE OF EXAM TECHNIQUES & STRATEGIES ACROSS ALL 4 LANGUAGE SKILLS

GCSEs

REVISION Preparation for GCSE exams via past paper questions across all 4 language skills.

Social Issues: Examining world problems and how

The Wider World

develop essay writing skills.

Looking at the arguments for and

against new technology to further

volunteer work

can help.

The Environment: Understanding what we should and shouldn't do to protect the environment. Comparing French and British initiatives.

INCREASING THE LEVEL OF COMPLEXITY

EXAM PREPARATION:

Preparation for forthcoming mock GCSE exams. Focussing on past paper questions across all 4 language skills.

Exploring relationships with family and

The Great European Bake Off (EDoL), Crêpes making, French breakfast, Onatti Theatre visit,

Music: French/Spanish song, Humanities: The geography of language, Art: 'In the style of'

Year

8

friends. Different types of family.

Views on marriage and future plans

Festivals & Traditions

The importance of celebrating traditions and spending time with family.

Possible Careers

Social Media Manager

International Aid Worker

Engineer **Travel Consultant**

Journalist International Sales

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Fashion Buyer

Language Teacher

Current and Future

French cinema experience, Pen-pal scheme

CROSS-CURRICULAR LINKS

CREATIVE AND CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES

GREATER CONFIDENCE IN GIVING PERSONAL VIEWS

Relationships

PREPARATION BEGINS!

Literacy

Connectives

Verb endings

dictionaries

Intensifiers

Skills:

Key Grammar points:

Adjectival agreement

Referring to past and future events

Using glossaries and

Sequencing ideas

Range of opinions

Justifying opinions

Essay writing skills

Gender of nouns

SPEAKING EXAM

Our Tastes and Preferences

Considering our tastes in music, books and

Opportunity to attend a French cinema evening.

films. Discovering popular French artists.

REFERRING TO ALL 3 TIME-FRAMES

> Further cultural awareness

A virtual visit to Paris. Introducing reference to the past.

Key

Stage

Comparing and Contrasting

Year

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Finding out about healthy and unhealthy lifestyles.Referring to the future and making resolutions. Giving advice and managing a visit to the doctor's in a French speaking country. **Developing Ideas**

Describing where we live and what we can and cannot do there. Introducing the future tense to be able to discuss future plans.

Expressing Views

Year

11

Year

10

Expressing and justifying personal opinions. Making comparisons based on school life. Growing our cultural knowledge with a crosscurricular art project.

Introductions

Discovering the French-speaking world. Giving basic personal information and opinions. Describing oneself and family members.

MOVING FROM WORD TO SENTENCE TO SHORT TEXTS

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Travel and Tourism Considering a range of holidays. Narrating both the highlights and any problems encountered. Discussing childhood experiences and future

plans. Study and Employment Improving use and understanding

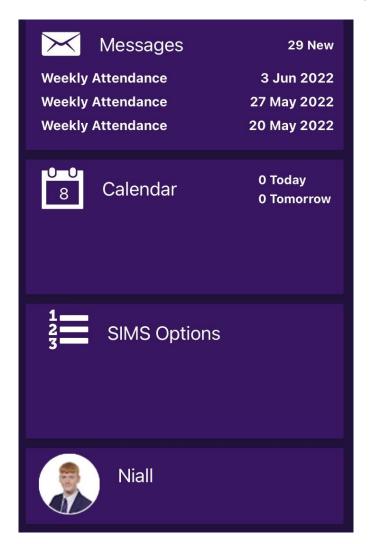
of a range of tenses. Developing our essay writing skills and preparing for the Theme 3 speaking questions.

The Journey Starts

Key Stage

Year

SIMS Parent and ClassCharts







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Homework

Reading

students record reading at home in reading diary in planners

Retrieval, Transform and Recall

Every term, students complete <u>at least</u> one retrieval activity per subject.

- Retrieval activities:
 - Glossary
 - Mind map
 - Cornell notes
 - Story board
 - Mnemonic
 - Topic poster



Alderbrook Year 7 Homework: Term 1



What to do

- 1. Choose a subject
- 2. Choose a topic within that subject
- 3. Choose one type of retrieval task for that subject
- 4. Repeat steps 1-3 so that you complete at least one retrieval task for all your subjects by the end of the term

Retrieval Activities

- 1. Create a glossary of key words and their meaning for your chosen topic
- 2. Draw a picture to represent each key word for your chosen topic
- 3. Create a mind map for your chosen topic
- 4. Create a set of Cornell notes for your chosen topic



How to create a mind map



How to create Cornell notes

English



Topic 1: Dystopian Fiction

Key words: Protagonist, dehumanise, oppressive, pathetic fallacy, dilemma, contrived, deterrent, adversaries, topic sentence, analysis, relevant.

Topic 2: Identity Poetry

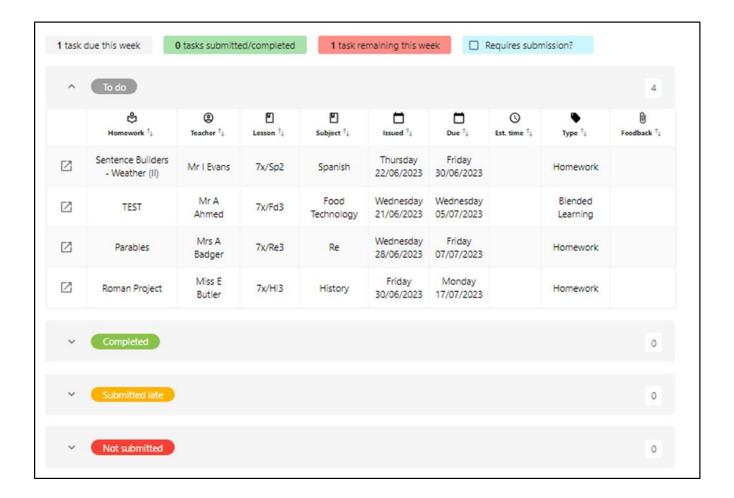
Key words: Connotation, denotation, colloquial, perspective, caesura, dialect, monologue, simile, stanza, verse

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Homework





1 x each	1 x each 2	2 x each half
week	weeks	term
English	French /	IT
Maths	Spanish	Drama /
Science	Geography	Dance/
	History	Music
		Art
		PE
		Technology
		Food
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Student Development (SEND)

How to contact us:

Email senco@alderbrook.solihull.sch.uk

Tel: 0121 704 2146 ext:7398

Information regarding students' additional needs is shared with teachers via the Classcharts platform.

- Pupil Passports are created within the department from information shared by parents, students and primary school,
- They are updated, as required, to reflect the students' needs.









Reading at Alderbrook







Key dates

11th -12th July

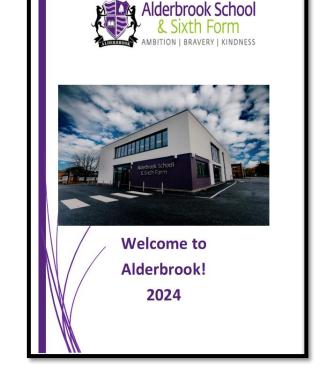
Transition days via Dingle Lane gate @ 9.15 -2.15
Students to wear primary school uniform and bring a pen!
They will be taking part in some light PE (please can they bring trainers)

12th July

Preloved uniform sale @ 2.30-4.00 in the Blue Room. Cash only.

14th-16thAugust Summer School @ 9.00- 13.00 via Dingle Lane gate. Students to wear own clothes.

4th September First day of school!



October – Meet the form tutors

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INDUCTION FORMS FOR NEW YEAR 7 STUDENTS

Please click on each of the 4 green buttons below and the SEN survey if you think that might be appropriate, in order to complete the induction forms for children that are about to become Alderbrook students.

All information entered into this document will be treated confidentially. Please ensure that you read through our Privacy Notice, which is available HERE.

Student Registration Form Year 7 - 2024/2025

We require important information about your child for our records.

Please note, only people with parental responsibility for the child are permitted to provide information.

Please help us by completing ALL of the sections and questions in this form.

Photo/Video Consent Year 7 - 2024/2025

We use consent as our basis to process our students' personal data in certain circumstances. This form details the activities in which we use consent.

Student's Biometric Information Year 7 - 2024/2025

We use our student's biometric data for cashless catering purposes. Having a cashless school is a security measure for both the school and its students.

Catering payments are controlled by your child's fingerprint.

Modern Foreign Languages Year 7 - 2024/2025

We would like to know if your child has been studying a Modern Foreign

We would also like to know if they are fluent in any language other than







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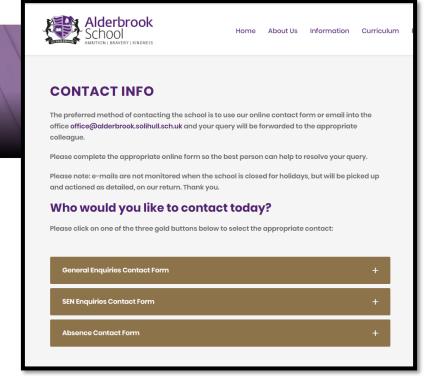
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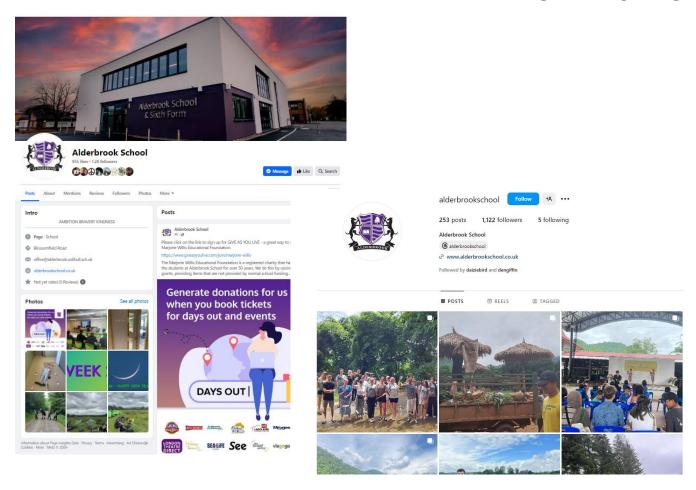








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