



3rd April 2024

Dear Parent(s) and Carer(s)

What a week we have had - it has felt more like a month!!

This week, for one reason or another, we have had a number of medical needs requiring ambulances and in some cases a visit to the hospital. I want to say a huge thank you to all our pupils who have behaved with the upmost respect, empathy and maturity as all of these situations have been occurring. It has sometimes meant that pupils have had to vacate classrooms, swap teachers or avoid certain areas of the school and everybody has been so supportive in helping us navigate our way through it all. I am pleased to say that we finished off the week a little healthier - although it was very stressful at the time, it is testament to how brilliant Albright staff and pupils are, that all incidents were managed smoothly and calmly. Thank you!!

During our absolutely manic week, we hosted a team of visitors from the Local Authority who were here to do a Quality Assurance visit on us. This is a process to ensure that all Sandwell children requiring any version of Alternative Provision, are accessing safe, high-quality education and care. We are extremely pleased to say our visit was an astounding success! They met with senior leaders, observed lessons, spoke to pupils and also spoke with leaders at our Albright Plus site. It was so lovely to hear all of the positive things our pupils said and how appreciative they are to attend Albright! I look forward to sharing the feedback as soon as the full report is with us.

A group of pupils had a visit to Frank Chapman Centre on Monday and Tuesday of this week. They participated in a range of outdoor activities that focused on building self-esteem, confidence and communication skills. Our pupils were amazing - the leaders of the sessions were so impressed with their positive attitudes and their superb behaviour. The photos from the day are fabulous! Here are a couple...























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This morning, we hosted a Parent Coffee morning, where parents and carers were able to come and have a natter, have some refreshments and meet our Educational Psychologist Jas Kandola who gave an insight into the work she does here at Albright and the types of support that can be accessed via the EP. It was really informative and hopefully helpful to those that were able to join. Our next morning will be on Friday 21st June (after the exams are over), 9.30am - 10.30am - it would be lovely to see you if you can make it.



Have a really lovely weekend, don't forget it's a Bank Holiday Monday - so you can all enjoy a long weekend and a Monday morning lie-in!!

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