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Weekly Newsletter

ALBRIGHT EDUCATION CENTRE

Keep a look out in the media as we celebrate both our OFSTED and IQM centre of excellence award. The press release is attached if you would like to read it before it is published.

Albright Plus...

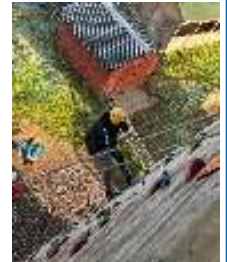


This week at Plus we have some special reading visitors, Miss Hall and Marvel, for our first Book and Brew session. In Willow class we joined in with Rob Biddulph a 'Draw With Rob' Session. After sharing our work, we even got a reply from Rob himself!



Each week Elm class have built-up their resilience to solving the challenging Nrich maths problems. On Tuesday they solved this problem by working as a group.

Pioneer Centre Residential...



It has been a fabulous week of new experiences for some of our secondary and Post 16 pupils as we waved them off to The Pioneer Centre in Cleobury. We have seen photos and videos of pupils showing great resilience and bravery when they jumped from the top of a wobbly 30ft pole! I particularly want to say a special thanks to all the staff that have given up their time this week, away from their own families to provide this opportunity for our children. A residential visit takes an immense amount of time to organise, so thank you Mr Aimes for making this trip possible. The teamwork and support for each other is truly something very special that is at the heart of Albright.

Coming up next week...

Next week is our annual trip to the panto (oh yes it is!). This again, is a wonderful opportunity for the whole Albright family to enjoy and each year both pupils and staff enjoy the production at Lichfield Garrick. If letters have not yet been returned, I would encourage as many pupils to do so as it is truly a magical experience.

Christmas Cakes and Yule Logs...



It has been a quieter end to the week here in school, but the children have thoroughly enjoyed getting into the festive spirit from baking yule logs and Christmas cakes with Mrs Parker. Although, this certainly provided some entertainment when the recipe went slightly wrong! Today also saw the children transform the Centre into a winter wonderland with our wonderful Christmas Trees.

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Press Release

Albright Education Centre, a short-term special school for pupils who cannot access mainstream schools due to medical or mental health needs, are delighted with their recent OFSTED inspection, after being graded **OUTSTANDING** in all areas.

OFSTED (Oct 2024) referred to it as an 'extraordinary place' and parents described it as 'transformational'. Just two weeks after the inspection, the school also received the Inclusion Quality Mark and were recognised as being a Centre of Excellence for Inclusion! This is in addition to their Carnegie Mental Health Gold Award they received last year.

Executive Head Teacher, Kate Hazelwood, said she was incredibly proud that the hard work and tireless commitment of the whole Albright Team had been recognised and that it was a privilege to lead such a unique and special school. Having gone through a period of expansion, the school now caters for pupils from Reception to Post 16 across their two sites in Tipton and West Bromwich, catering for pupils from across the whole Sandwell borough. The school also provides education at the new Midland Metropolitan University Hospital, having moved from Sandwell Hospital recently.

Both Kate Hazelwood and Rachel Kelly, Head Teacher (pictured) are excited for the growth of Albright's provision to meet increasing needs within the authority.

