



Alde Valley Academy

Aspire and Achieve. Lead with Kindness. Stronger Together.

NEWSLETTER - 3RD OCTOBER 2025

CELEBRATION EVENING

ANNUAL CELEBRATION EVENING @ SNAPE MALTINGS

Alde Valley Academy's Annual Celebration Evening took place at Snape Maltings, bringing together students, families, and staff to recognise achievement across the school.

The evening opened with piano performances before a welcome from the Headteacher, who praised students' hard work and resilience.

Academic Awards

Students in Years 7–11 received awards for English, Maths, and Science, followed by recognition in History, Geography, RS, French, and Spanish. These celebrated outstanding effort, creativity, and curiosity. Enrichment & Creativity

Highlights included achievements in the Cambridge Scholars Programme and The Brilliant Club, where students gained university-style learning experience. Further awards recognised talent in ICT, Design Technology, Art, Music, Drama, PSHE, Business, and Health & Social Care.

Musical interludes throughout showcased the breadth of student talent.

Vision, Values & Special Awards

The evening also honoured students reflecting the academy's values: Aspire and Achieve, Lead with Kindness, and Stronger Together. Special awards in Performing Arts, Science, PE, and overall achievement were presented, along with the prestigious Headteacher's Awards for KS3 and KS4.

A night to remember.



PE NEWS

It has been another busy week for our PE teams, with plenty of determination and resilience on display across a variety of fixtures.

Year 10 & 11 Netball – Both teams competed strongly in their tournaments, finishing in 4th and 5th place respectively.

Year 7 Football – The boys showed great spirit despite a tough 0–9 loss against Thomas Mills.

Year 8 Girls Football – In a nail-biting match against Debenham, the girls were only edged out on sudden-death penalties.

Year 8 Boys Football – Another challenging fixture saw the team go down 0–9 to Farlingaye, but their effort never wavered.

Although results didn't always go our way, the commitment, teamwork, and resilience shown by all our players is something to be proud of.

Looking Ahead

Next week brings more opportunities to shine:

Monday 6th October – U13 (Year 8) and U15 (Year 10) Netball vs Stradbroke (Away).

Tuesday 7th October – U15 (Year 10) Football vs Debenham, (Leiston St Margaret's Football Club).

We look forward to another exciting week of sport and wish all our teams the very best of luck!



YEAR 11 MOCK INTERVIEWS & CV WORKSHOP

Today, our Year 11 students took part in mock interviews and CV workshops, gaining invaluable experience in career preparation. These activities gave students a real taste of professional expectations, helping them build confidence and develop key employability skills.

During the CV workshops, students created and refined their CVs, learning how to present their achievements and skills effectively. These sessions offered personalised guidance to help make their applications stand out.

Students also participated in mock interviews with professionals from a variety of industries. Each student had a 20-minute interview, receiving constructive feedback on communication, presentation, and interview techniques. This hands-on experience allowed students to practice answering questions and gain insight into what employers look for.

The day was a great success, showcasing the ambition, maturity, and preparedness of our students. Events like these are a key part of Alde Valley Academy's careers programme, helping students feel confident and ready for college, apprenticeships, and future careers, while also strengthening links with local employers.



OPEN EVENING

We warmly invite parents of Year 5/6 pupils to visit Alde Valley Academy on Thursday 9th October. Explore our classrooms, meet our dedicated staff, and discover the exciting learning opportunities we offer. Come and see why Alde Valley Academy is the perfect place for your child's next stage of learning!



YR7 PARENTS EVENING

We are delighted to invite parents and carers of Year 7 students into school for an opportunity to meet your child's form tutor and discuss how they have settled into life at Alde Valley Academy.

Appointments can be booked through our online booking system at:

<https://aldevalley.schoolcloud.co.uk>.

The booking system will open on Monday 13th October at 4:00pm and will close on Wednesday 22nd October at 8:00pm. If you experience any difficulties with the system, or if you require alternative arrangements, please don't hesitate to contact us—we will be happy to help.

ACADEMY COUNCIL

To find out more about being a member of our Academy Council, please visit our website. There you will find further information and an expression of interest form.

<https://www.aldevalley.suffolk.sch.uk/academy-council/>

If you are interested in joining us, please complete the expression of interest form and return it to school before the end of school on **Wednesday 8th October 2025.**



Want to make a difference to your school and local community?



Could you volunteer in our Academy Council?

As an Academy Council Member, you will:

- Engage with the school community – building relationships with students, staff, and families.
- Support and challenge school leaders – helping ensure high standards and outstanding opportunities.
- Offer your insights and perspective – bringing your unique voice to shape the direction of the school.

You don't need any previous experience in education or governance – just a passion for making a difference.

You'll have opportunities to learn, grow, and develop new skills while making a real impact on the lives of young people and your wider community.

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Want to know more? Scan the QR code or email Lisa Taylor at l.taylor@kingfisherschools.co.uk



CAKE SALE IN AID OF MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

Last week, I shared news of our Macmillan Coffee Morning, and I'm pleased to say the cake sales have continued throughout this week! I promised to reveal the grand total, and I am delighted to announce that, thanks to the generosity of our staff and students, we have raised a fantastic...

£269.23

Thanks to everyone involved.

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