



Alde Valley Academy

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NEWSLETTER - 28TH NOVEMBER 2025

E-SAFETY TRAINING WITH THE 2 JOHNS

On Wednesday 26th November, we were delighted to welcome The Two Johns from E-Safety Training, nationally recognised experts in online safety and digital wellbeing. They delivered a full day of informative, engaging, and age-appropriate sessions to all students across the school, ensuring every young person received practical guidance on navigating the online world safely.

Throughout the day, students explored topics such as healthy online relationships, managing digital footprints, recognising online risks, and knowing where to get support. The Two Johns' approachable style and real-life examples helped students engage confidently with some challenging but important issues.

After school, staff took part in a dedicated CPD session, equipping them with up-to-date knowledge on the latest online trends, platforms, and safeguarding concerns. This training will support our ongoing commitment to keeping our school community informed and protected.

In the evening, a parent and carer session was also offered. Although attendance was unfortunately low, those who joined found the session extremely valuable. Parents commented on how eye-opening the information was and appreciated the practical advice they could take home to support safe and open conversations with their children.

We would like to thank The Two Johns for delivering such impactful sessions and helping strengthen our whole-school approach to online safety. We strongly encourage more parents and carers to attend future events—your involvement is a crucial part of helping young people stay safe online.



<https://esafetytraining.org/resources/parents-carers-area/>

MFL TRIP TO LILLE CHRISTMAS MARKET

Yesterday, the MFL department took 44 students to the beautiful Lille Christmas Market in northern France. It was a fantastic day filled with festive spirit, cultural experiences, and plenty of opportunities for students to practise their language skills.

Students loved experiencing the magical atmosphere of Lille at Christmas, with many braving the impressive 50-metre Ferris wheel in the city centre for breath-taking views across the market and surrounding streets. They also enjoyed exploring the traditional stalls and nearby shops, picking up Christmas gifts and sampling local treats.

One of the highlights of the trip was seeing students grow in confidence throughout the day—asking for directions, making purchases, and chatting with stallholders in French. Their enthusiasm and willingness to immerse themselves in the language made the experience even more rewarding.

A huge thank-you goes to all members of staff who supported the trip and helped make it a truly memorable and enriching day for our students.



PE NEWS

It has been a busy and exciting week for our school sports teams, with students from Years 7–10 representing their houses and year groups with energy, teamwork, and determination. Here's a round-up of the latest results and what's coming up next week.

Year 7 & 8 Basketball Tournament

Our Year 7 and 8 basketball teams put on an impressive performance, securing 4th place in a highly competitive tournament. The players demonstrated great resilience and team spirit throughout the event.

Year 7 Dodgeball Tournament

The Year 7 dodgeball teams enjoyed a fast-paced and fun afternoon of competition, finishing in a strong joint 3rd place.

Students faced teams from Hartismere, Debenham, and Thomas Mills, playing three quick fire games against each school—twice. Points were awarded based on how many opposing players were eliminated, making for a lively and tactical contest.

Year 9 House Netball Tournament – Final Standings

1st – Deben
Joint 2nd – Alde & Waveney
4th – Blyth
5th – Orwell

Congratulations to Deben for taking the top spot, and well done to all competitors for representing their houses with pride.

Year 9 House Football Tournament – Final Standings

1st – Waveney
2nd – Alde
3rd – Orwell
4th – Deben
5th – Blyth

A fantastic effort from all teams, with Waveney claiming a well-deserved victory.

Upcoming Fixtures – Next Week

Tuesday 2nd December

- Schools Trampoline Competition – 9:00am–3:00pm
- Year 9 Girls Badminton Tournament at Thomas Mills – 3:00–6:00pm
- Year 9 Boys Football vs Debenham – 2:00pm kick-off (Home)

Thursday 4th December

- Year 9 Boys Badminton Tournament at Thomas Mills – 3:00–6:00pm
- Year 7 & 8 Netball at Thomas Mills – 3:00–6:00pm

Friday 5th December

- Year 10 House Netball and Football Tournaments – Period 4

Well done to all pupils who took part this week, and best of luck to everyone competing in the upcoming fixtures!

YR11 PROGRESS EVENING – 11TH DECEMBER

We would like to extend a warm invitation to our upcoming Progress Evening, which will take place on Thursday 11th December from 4pm to 7.30pm. This event is an invaluable opportunity for us to discuss your son/daughter's progress, address any concerns you may have, and collaborate on their educational journey. At Progress Evening, you will have the chance to meet with your son/daughter's teachers individually to receive updates on their academic performance, behaviour, and overall development. To ensure a productive and meaningful meeting, we kindly request that you schedule appointments with teachers in advance. This will help us manage the event smoothly and provide you with ample time for discussions.

To schedule your appointments, please visit our online booking system :

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

The booking system opens on Monday 1st December at 4pm and will close on Tuesday 9th December. If you encounter any difficulties or have specific scheduling preferences, please do not hesitate to reach out, and we will do our best to accommodate your needs.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH Thursday 18th December

We are delighted to offer a Christmas lunch to all students on Thursday 18 December 2025.

To take part, all students must pre-order their meal by Thursday 11 December 2025.

If your child pays for school meals, please ensure they have at least £3.30 available on the MyChildAtSchool app before they place their pre-order.

Students who receive Free School Meals must also pre-order their Christmas lunch by 11 December.

Please note: Any student who has not pre-ordered by the deadline will not be able to have the Christmas meal.





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