

### DALLAM C P SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 7<sup>th</sup> February 2025

#### School Vision: Success at the Heart of the Community We: Nurture.....Inspire.....Achieve

### School value: resilience

Yesterday, we had some very special visitors in Nursery. Flint and Matilda came to see us the children to develop their understanding of the world around them and the animals that live in it. The children absolutely loved meeting the 2 beautiful owls. They learned lots about their features and why they have big eyes, sharp talons, soft feathers and a curved beak. They were fascinated to learn about what they eat and how they hunt. Possibly the most exciting part of the visit was when the children had the chance to hold Flint and Matilda on their outstretched arms - under the very close supervision of their owl handler and staff class of course!

At the other end of the school, Oak Class have really enjoyed going over to Beamont Collegiate Academy to learn in their FabLab. While they were there, they used the stateof-the-art equipment to mold material to make a mobile phone stand. They planned, designed and made their product and it is lovely to see that many of the class have brought them in to school to use to support their ipads on their desks. As usual, their behaviour was exemplary: their teachers are incredibly proud of them.

Today, Holly Class have held a presentation event where they shared their learning so far this year with parents and carers. There was singing, dancing and artwork amongst other creative and exciting learning on display as well as lots of parent participation. The children celebrated the friendships and social skills that they are developing and clearly enjoyed the experience. They have really settled into life in Holly Class and its daily routines.

Elsewhere in school, it has been great to see so many parents and carers joining us for lesson drop ins. I know it's always lovely to see the children learning and the high standard that they achieve. Our classrooms are focused and calm and great environments for learning. The children absolutely love it when you are able to join them in school. They are proud of their work and their classrooms and we are tremendously proud of them as I know you are.

Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Downey

# Attendance – In School – On Time – Every Day

Despite the disruption caused by the burst water pipe last week, 3 classes topped 96% attendance last week – Well Done Ash, Cedar and Rowan Classes – 1 PALS point each. 4 Classes improved their attendance from the previous week – again – impressive in a week where the usual routine of school was disrupted.

Class	Attendance Last week
Acorns	78
Ash	96
Cedar	96
Holly	76
Hazel	92
Rowan	97
Maple	87
Sycamore	90
Willow	83
Olive	91
Oak	92
Cherry	86

If you need support with attendance, talk to us – we can work together to make small changes that have a positive impact.

# Safer Internet Day

On Tuesday 11th February, children across school will spend the afternoon focussing on different aspects of staying safe online as part of Safer Internet Day 2025. Miss Foster, our computing lead, will also be launching a competition to design a new online safety poster. They winners of the competition will win a prize and their poster will be used in our classrooms, to remind children of the SMART rules to stay safe online. You can find out more information about Safer Internet Day by clicking searching Safer Internet Day 2025 - UK Safer Internet Centre.

As part of our work around online safety, all parents have access to The National College website <u>https://nationalcollege.com/</u> which provides resources for parents and carers around online safety and keeping children safe online. Please see the attached letter which provides more details about how to access these resources.

During the PSHE lesson this week, the children have been thinking about creating their own personal goals. We discussed how we could achieve them by breaking these down into smaller steps. The children had some fantastic ideas and were great at supporting their friends. Some of the goals included learning to ride a bike, coming to school on time and keeping their desk tidy.



Lead Learners this week: a child who has made great progress in their DT

**Seedlings**: Jaxon has enjoyed using mixed media and marks to create animals from our T4W story 'Dear Zoo'. He is always eager to join in the activities and explores all of the equipment safely and with purpose. Well done!

Acorns: Leo for some great creations using our Duplo Lego blocks.

**Ash**: Stuart for writing a fantastic sentence using his phonics knowledge and beautiful handwriting.

Cedar: Lavin has made an excellent pop-up rabbit in our DT lessons this week.

**Rowan:** Merd has made lots of progress within DT. He shows great enthusiasm with designing different products and really enjoys making the end product.

**Maple:** David for listening well and following the artist's instructions to develop his skills and produce some lovely artwork.

Sycamore: Hina has been brilliant in DT sessions designing her pavilion blueprint.

Olive: Eric for making great progress with his cutting skills in DT.

**Oak**: Issy for making fantastic progress in DT. She was able to measure, cut and assemble a range of products to make a pop-up toy.

Hazel: Arfa, who sat well and engaged with the project.

Holly: The whole class for doing a super job learning and mixing colours.

Willow: Adam for making linkages in DT in preparation for creating a moving monster.

Cherry: Matthew for making a great start to his DT in Olive Class.

### THIS WEEK'S PALS POINTS, READING CHAMPIONS AND MAD ABOUT MATHS AWARDS

PALS POINTS – Positive Attitude to Learning points: 100 PALS = Dallam YELLOW 200 PALS = Dallam GREEN 300 PALS = Dallam RED 400 PALS = Deputy Head's SILVER 500 PALS = Head Teacher's GOLD 600 PALS = Governor's <u>3 STAR</u>

Reading Champions and Mad about Maths - For every 10 occasions your child reads or does maths at home it will be celebrated in our Monday assembly. This week's awards go to:

	READING CHAMPIONS	MAD ABOUT MATHS	PALS
Ash	Rupert, Princess, Aliyah, Tommy Owen, Willow, Charlie, Stuart, Isabella		
Cedar	Lavin, Josie, Harper-Mae and Amelia.		
Rowan	Merd, Bella, Lewis, Darcie M, Alan, Khloe, Wissam, Mayia, Darcie L, Teddy, Rajmond		
Maple	Israel, Lucas, Nour, Kye, Dominik, Alex, Max, Amelia, Lec D, Haron	Lewis	
Sycamore	Sidar, Zack, Darcy, Archie, Awaan, Izabella S, Isabelle S, Sofia, Scarlett, Emily P	Sidar, Zack, Darcy, Archie, Awaan, Izabella S, Isabelle S, Sofia, Scarlett, Emily P	
Olive	Ella, Aaliyah, Ruby, Ola, Eric, Lidia, Ava, Oscar, Maria, Zsombor, Jonah, Amelia, Sila, Theo, Ara, Lottie, Jasmine	Ola, Dan, Eric, Jackson, Zsombor, Poppy, Jasmine, Ruby, Sila, Poppy	
Oak	Nia, Pelin, Theo, Holly C, Issy, Simdy, Maja, Rory, Jace, Ike, Summer, Idris, Hollie C, Katie, Kornel, Fraya, Leo, Sophia, Finley, Liya, Gosia, Sam, Julia, Mason, Franky, Bella	Nia, Pelin, Theo, Holly C, Issy Simdy, Maja, Rory, Jace, Ike Summer, Idris, Hollie C, Katie Kornel, Fraya, Leo, Sophia, Finley, Liya, Gosia, Sam, Julia Mason, Franky, Bella.	Oscar 400 PALS
Cherry	Matthew		
Willow	Layla x2 and Oscar.		



Date	Event	
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Valentines Disco 3.45-4.45pm.	
	$\pounds$ 2.00 which includes hot dog and a drink	
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	School closes at normal time	
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	School reopens	
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs	