

DALLAM C P SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

4th April 2025

School Vision: Success at the Heart of the Community

We: Nurture.....Inspire......Achieve

School value: kindness

Once again, I can't believe that we are nearly at the end of term. It has been another busy week filled with visitors and events for our children and their families to learn about keeping themselves safe in school and in the community. KS2 classes enjoyed an exciting workshop run by One Day Creative on Monday - looking at the vitally important area of online safety. They used drama and discussion, to explore topics in an age-appropriate way including trolling, AI, online bullying and misleading/inappropriate content. They also considered who they are able to turn to for support.

On Tuesday, The Canal and Rivers Trust delivered an assembly to all of KS1 and KS2 around water safety. We feel that this is especially important for our children as the summer months are approaching and the waterways of Sankey Valley are so close by. It was fabulous to see so many parents and carers in school on Thursday for our Family Hub: Coffee, Cake and Community event. There were lots of lovely activities for the children to enjoy in the hall as well as stalls and visitors - including our local PCSO, the Family Hub, Torus Foundation and Warrington Wolves - who all had information to share with the children based around keeping themselves healthy and safe. Every time I went into the hall, there was a real buzz – the children always really enjoy sharing their school experiences with family and friends.

On Tuesday, 20 children from Year 3 and 4 had a great time at a rugby tournament on Dallam Playing Fields which was organised by Warrington Wolves. They were absolutely amazing as they played about 8 different teams from schools across Warrington. They won some games and lost others; showing outstanding sporting behaviour and attitudes whatever the outcome of each game. Again, it was brilliant to see parents and carers cheering the children on and I know that the school staff were very grateful for the help and support that they provided. The children will all be awarded a well-deserved certificate in Monday morning's celebration assembly – Miss Foster could not be more proud of their exceptional behaviour during the day.

After school on Wednesday, children from Olive Class and their parents and carers had a great time as they helped to prepare the allotment beds for Spring planting. It was extremely hard work, but no one gave up!!! Everyone has earned points towards the TCAT Challenge Award. There was lots of chattering, laughter and fun throughout the session. The children thought of other ideas to improve the allotment area including: making a compost bin, constructing the recycled bottle greenhouse, cleaning the shed and developing a rota at lunchtime to water the plants. Mrs Wood has provided them with a challenge for the Easter break - to design a greenhouse, composter or bug hotel. Mr Wood will help them to construct the winning design after Easter.

Today, the wellbeing club held their cake and biscuit sale and raised £34.54 for St Rocco's Hospice which is a charity that we love to support as it makes such a huge difference to families right across Warrington and beyond. Thank you for supporting us with this and a massive well done to the children who have worked so hard to make this happen. Have a lovely holiday – we'll see you on Wednesday 23rd April for the Summer term.

Mrs Downey

Attendance – In School – On Time – Every Day

There are still 6 classes topping 96% and one class so close with 95%! Well Done Maple, Sycamore, Ash, Rowan, Olive and Oak Classes – You are still smashing it!

And look at the 7 classes who managed to improve on the previous week's attendance – Well Done! This really is going from strength to strength!

Class	Attendance	
	Last week	
Seedlings	74	
Acorns	93	
Ash	96	
Cedar	95	
Holly	87	
Hazel	89	
Rowan	98	
Maple	98	
Sycamore	96	
Willow	90	
Olive	99	
Oak	96	
Cherry	86	

We're looking forward to our termly attendance assembly on Wednesday afternoon when we will find out who still has 100% attendance this year, who has over 96% and whose attendance is most improved. There is also a special reward for the classes in each phase with the highest attendance – I don't even know who that will be yet as the figures are only finalised on Wednesday!

School closes on Wednesday for the Easter break at 2pm and re-opens to children at **8:40am on Wednesday 23rd April** (8:30am for morning Nursery children)

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

Warrington Online Safety Hub

This week sees the launch of the Warrington Online Safety Hub – a free resource for parents and carers looking for information and advice on online safety for children of all ages, from preschool age upwards. The resources can be accessed using this link: Warrington Online Safety Hub

As part of the launch offer, the hub is running a workshop dedicated to helping parents understand the risks their children face in their online lives and the practical things parents can do to help.

This hour-long workshop which will be led by Katherine Howard, Head of Engagement and Education at Smoothwall, will provide lots of valuable insights and tools, including:

- information on the latest apps and games children may have access to.
- the harmful content your child may be exposed to.
- how you can help your child to safely navigate online risk.
- an introduction to a parental app that allows you to control what your child sees online if they are at risk.

To register for the webinar please click <u>here</u> or visit https://smoothwall.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN iF mfaSBQLGn8l0lF3kC1A#/registration

Statutory Tests

It was really impressive to see how many parents and carers attended the SATs meeting for our Year 6 children on Thursday. I know that the staff team have been working incredibly hard to help the children to approach these tests with confidence and a positivity.

Our Year 6 children will be taking their tests during the week beginning 12th May 2025 so there are not many school weeks left. It is even more important that the children are in school, on time, every day when we return from our Easter break.

PAN Exhibition

If you haven't managed to visit the PAN art exhibition in Golden Square, try to find time this weekend or during the Easter break. It is amazing to see the talent from schools right across Warrington and I know the children would love to see their own work displayed in such a public place for the whole of Warrington to see. There has been a slight change to the position of the displays since last week. A new map is attached.

Nominations are still open for Warrington Guardian Education Awards 2025! There's plenty of time to get a few nominations in.

Thirteen awards will celebrate schools, nurseries and colleges across the town, honouring pupils and students, teachers and teaching assistants, and classes and teams.

We want to highlight everything that's good about Warrington's educators, shining a spotlight on innovation and best practice across the town.

There's the class or team award, honours for primary and secondary pupils and headteacher of the year as well as awards for teachers and teaching assistants.

Other special awards include an outstanding achievement award, an unsung hero honour and a great and green award.

Entries are invited from teachers, parents, governors, pupils and anyone with knowledge of a particular school or education establishment.

All schools are welcome to enter as long as they are based in Warrington.

Individuals or institutions can enter more than one category, but this should be made clear on the entry form.

We welcome nominations from and for your school, your staff, parents and carers, and pupils.

Make your nominations here:

These links will take you to our website:

https://www.warringtonguardian.co.uk/news/24997377.warrington-guardian-education-awards-2025---enter/

https://www.warringtonguardian.co.uk/news/25004556.will-nominate-warringtonguardian-education-awards-2025/

https://www.warringtonguardian.co.uk/news/25031194.know-top-teacher-pupil-deserves-education-award/



This link will take you directly to the nomination form: https://forms.office.com/e/iVfw6xmgEp

I have also attached a QR code to the email, as it takes people straight to the nomination form.

The closing date for entries is Sunday, May 18.



Lead Learners this week: a child who has made great progress in PE please.

Seedlings: Teddie is trying really hard to move around the environments safely being aware of objects and dangers. He is also becoming more confident to use a variety of equipment outside.

Acorns: Meer for great balancing skills on our balancing stilts.

Ash: Borbala for good teamwork in PE.

Cedar: Freddie has been making super progress in PE showing us some great ball skill.

Rowan: Louie has made great progress within PE. He always tries his hardest and always demonstrates a positive attitude to working within groups during lessons.

Maple: Haron for superb batting when playing cricket with Tom.

Sycamore: Sidar made great progress in rugby and has developed her skills. He now feels more confident.

Olive: Ruby for making excellent progress with her cricket skills in PE.

Oak: Gosia- for her amazing batting in cricket this half term.

Hazel: Archie, he enjoys using the climbing frame.

Holly: Logan for joining in more.

Cherry: Harry for showing amazing cricket skills during our P.E sessions.

Willow: Marcell for great participation in the PE lesson practising cricket skills.

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 3 STAR

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	Mia, Mikolaj, Esme, Princess, Aliyaah, Anna, Isabella, Rupert, Charlie		
	Sophie, Borislav, Zoriana, Harper-Mae, David and Tatiana.		
KOWAN	Luna, Matilda, Lewis, Evelyn, Khloe, Lauren	Alice, Khloe and Rajmond	
Maple	Hannah, Noah, Skye, Shana, Lily R, Lewis, Omari, Max, Ronan, Thomas, Leo D, Cleo, Dominik	Lewis	
Sycamore	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	HING, LIV, Darcy, Archie, Aria, Paiveen Emily Izabelle	200 PALS - Paiveen, 300 PALS - Izabella 400 PALS – Zack
	Bella, Elsa, Alex, Ola, Sila, Amelia, Poppy, Aliliah, Dan, Jackson, Oscar, Lidia, Minnie	Dan, Jackson	
Oak	HACE CONNOL KAHE MASAN	Gosia, Rory, Leo, Sam, Finley, Pelin, Fraya, Issy, Sophia, Hollie M, Frankie, Liya, Kornel, Maja, Ike, Summer, Julia, Bella, Elijah, Jace, Connor, Katie, Mason	
Cherry	Logan	_	
Willow	Layla, Nathan, Jaden		



Date	Event	
Easter bingo	Tuesday 8 th April at 3.45pm	
End of Spring term – finish for Easter	Wednesday 9 th April at 2pm	
Summer term – back to school	Wednesday 23 rd April	
Monday 12 th – Thursday 15 th May	Thursday 15 th May KS2 SATs	
Whole School photos	Tuesday 20 th May	