



DALLAM C P SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

16th May 2025

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

School value: **honesty**

The main event this week has been the Key Stage 2 SATs which Oak Class have taken. There were a total of 6 tests spread over 4 days and as usual they were pretty challenging in parts. Every last one of our children was absolutely amazing; they arrived in school eager to do their very, very best and faced the challenge with confidence, determination and focus. It was such a pleasure to watch as they absolutely smashed it! The children have been preparing for this week for a couple of months so they knew exactly what to expect and how to do their best in each test. I want to say a huge thank you to the teachers and teaching assistants right through school who have supported our children to be ready to take on their next big challenge as they move on to high school at the end of this year. We are all so incredibly proud of them, as I know you must be too.

Elsewhere in school, our exciting curriculum has continued to provide inspirational experiences for the children. Olive Class had a brilliant time when they visited Padgate Academy to take part in a Forensic Science experience. They used chromatography paper to discover which ink matched the pen used by the culprit and studied their own fingerprints before matching other people's fingerprints to find a suspect. The children loved learning in a high school science classroom which is very different to primary school! As always, the children's behaviour and attitudes were fantastic – they made such a good first impression with the staff from Padgate – they were full of praise for their problem solving and excellent co-operation skills.

Rowan Class also represented school fantastically on Tuesday when they took part in the official opening ceremony of the new Family Hub next to school. They sang a part of Papageno's Aria from the opera The Magic Flute by Mozart. Papageno is a character who is half man, half bird who is helping the prince in the story to find his true love. The children have learned about this in class and really enjoy singing it. There were dignitaries from Warrington council present and they were blown away by the performance which was full of energy and joy. Earlier in the morning, children from Ash Class had also been to visit where they loved meeting Wolfie and playing in the outdoor area. There are photos available of the event on the Family Hub's website and in the Warrington Guardian. Keep an eye out for posts on our school Facebook and Instagram accounts to see this and other exciting events happening in school.

It's been a brilliant week in school with the sunshine making sure that all classes were able to make the most of learning outside. Fingers crossed that it lasts through next week as well!

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Downey

Attendance – In School – On Time – Every Day

Last week, 4 classes topped 96% attendance – well done to Hazel, Maple, Olive and Cherry Classes. Seedlings were close with 93% – let's see if you can make it 96% next week! 5 classes improved their attendance from the previous week – Keep it up!

Class	Attendance Last week
Seedlings	93
Acorns	77
Ash	92
Cedar	92
Holly	70
Hazel	100
Rowan	94
Maple	98
Sycamore	89
Willow	87
Olive	96
Oak	91
Cherry	98

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

Safety on the School Site

I've noticed a few people walking under the barrier to access the car park at drop off and pick up times. To stay safe, please make sure that you and your children walk on the path and go around the barrier rather than under it when it is raised.

School Uniform

A couple of teachers have asked me to send out a reminder about wearing black school shoes or sandals for school. Trainers are not part of our uniform unless for PE lessons. Your child may be asked whether they have school shoes and reminded to wear them by their class staff who may also speak to parents and carers. If you need any support with providing appropriate school shoes or encouraging your child to wear them, please speak to us – there may be a way for us to help.

School photos

Academy Photography Ltd will be in school on Tuesday 20th May. Please ensure full uniform is worn and children are neat and tidy. Parents will receive free proofs of every image and the option to make a purchase.

Arbor communications

Our new Arbor app is now active and replaces ParentMail. Please ensure your email is up to date, this is now our main communication channel.

Tesco

Tesco and our partner easyfundraising have come together again to give a little help to our schools and settings raising for SEND and other community-based causes across the UK.

Your school or setting could receive one of five £1,000 funding pots to put towards SEND.

This month, if staff, parents and other supporters shop with Tesco via the easyfundraising website or app, your school or setting will receive free donations AND will be in the draw to receive a £1,000 funding pot!

To enter the Tesco Community Pledge draw:

1. Firstly, make sure you have registered your school or setting with easyfundraising at: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/nasen/>
2. Ask parents and staff to sign up to support your school or setting.
3. Encourage them to shop with Tesco via easyfundraising by May 31st. Each time one of them does so, your school or setting has a better chance of receiving £1,000 worth of funding.

Plus, when your supporter's shop with Tesco in May, they'll raise £10 for you if it's their first online shop with Tesco, and 50p for each subsequent shop they do* at no extra cost, all courtesy of Tesco!

Sports days

All children will be sent home with an invitation, if you have any questions please speak to your class teacher.

	Class	Date	Time
EYFS	Saplings, Seedlings, Acorns & Ash	Wednesday 18 th June	10:00 am & 2:00 pm
KS1	Cedar & Rowan	Wednesday 25 th June	1.30pm
KS2	Maple, Sycamore, Olive, Oak, Willow & Cherry	Wednesday 25 th June	09:15am
	Hazel & Holly Classes	Will be slotting in with their age groups.	



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

Seedlings: all of the children in seedlings enjoyed celebrating VE Day last week. We made jam sandwiches, coloured in pictures and waved flags as we danced to music.

Acorns: Oscar, great contribution in our discussion about different festivals.

Ash: Tianna has always shown a good understanding of the festivals we have learnt about.

Cedar: Selin design a beautiful T-Shirt reflecting on her role in her house and what she cares about in our RE lesson.

Rowan: Maya has shown an excellent attitude during our RE lessons. She is respectful of other's religions and beliefs and enjoys learning and exploring about other cultures.

Maple: David for thoughtful contributions to our RE lessons this half term.

Sycamore: Hina, discussing her religion with such confidence and presenting her knowledge to the rest of the class.

Olive: Layla for providing thoughtful answers and producing beautiful work in RE lessons.

Oak: Sophia always presents her RE work in a creative way and uses her RE vocabulary to answer questions carefully and thoughtfully.

Hazel: Arin for always taking part.

Holly: Christopher for joining in when learning about the Holi, Hindu festival and the colour throwing traditions.

Cherry: Theo showed an excellent understanding of the Hindu festival of Raksha Bandhan. He made a rakhi bracelet as well.

Willow: Lucas for good work when finding out about the Hindu God, Brahman.

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	Mikolaj, Lyla- Mae, Alice, Samson, Anna.		
Cedar	Freddie, Mirvan, Szofia, Amelia and Rosie.	David, Jack, Daniel, Tatiana, Matilda, Sinead, Ayia, Boris, Evie-Mae, Mirvan, Freddie, Ivan-Paul, Sophia, Szofia and Rosie.	
Rowan	Teddy, Alice, Lewis, Matilda, Wissam, Darcie M, Lauren, Khloe, Bella		
Maple	Skye, Lewis, Shana, Thomas, Nour, Noah and Lewis.	Alice	
Sycamore	Sofia C, Darcy, Olivia A, Zack, Archie, Sidar, Aria, Izabella S, Rosa, Sophia M, Kai, Lennox, Hina, Awaan, Joe, Isabelle S and Emily P	The whole class	PALS points Liv-300 Sidar-300 Awaan-100 Sophia M-300 Archie-300 Aria 300 Joe- 300
Olive	Ola, Alex, Ella, Poppy, Aliliah, Lidia, Jackson, Zsombor, Amelia, Bella, Ara, Theo, Layla, Elsa, Sila	Aliyah, Poppy, Layla, Lidia, Jackson	Demi - 300 PALS
Willow	Oscar, Nathan, Olivia, Layla		
Cherry		Isaac	

Parent drop-in sessions:

Date	Class	Time
Thursday 15 th May 2025	Sycamore & Cherry	2.30pm
Monday 19 th May 2025	Rowan	10:00am
Monday 19 th May 2025	Oak	10:45am
Tuesday 20 th May 2025	Holly	2:30pm
Tuesday 20 th May 2025	Olive	2:40pm
Wednesday 21 st May 2025	Maple	2:45pm
Friday 23 rd May 2025	Cedar	09:00am

Dates for your diary

Event	Date
Whole School photos	Tuesday 20 th May
End of term (Summer 1)	Friday 23 rd May
School re opens	Monday 9 th June
New to Reception parent's meeting.	Monday 23 rd June or Thursday 26 th June @ 3:45 pm
TCAT Performance for the choir. Tickets will be on sale nearer the time.	Tuesday 24 th June
Warrington Walking Day (School closed)	Friday 27 th June
Children to come into school dressed as a Rock Star or something number related	Friday 4 th July
End of term (finish at 2pm)	Friday 25 th July
School re-opens	Thursday 4 th September