



DALLAM C P SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

23rd May 2025

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

School value: **honesty**

As usual, there has been a range of creative and fun ways for the children to develop their knowledge and skills this week. Tuesday was a very important day – especially in EYFS where our children learned lots about bees because it was World Bee Day! The fun and creativity lasted all week as the children enjoyed completing lots of bee related activities. They made peg bees with lots of craft materials; pinecone bees by threading yellow wool around pinecones; used their excellent counting skills to solve bee addition calculations and produced some fabulous bee writing. When I popped into class there was a real buzz of activity and the children were able to talk to me about the vital role that these tiny insects play in fruit production. Undoubtedly though, the highlight of the week was the visit from Julia the bee lady. Ash Class, Acorns and Saplings learned a great deal more about bees as they explored a beehive; looked closely at honeycomb; felt bees wax and tried on protective clothing worn by beekeepers. What a brilliant week's work! It will really help your child to remember their learning over time if you encourage them to tell you about it. That way, when they come back to build on this week's knowledge and understanding in the future, they will be able to recall it easily.

Again, on Tuesday, a group of children from Maple and Sycamore Classes went for an exciting day at Meadowside Primary School where they took part in a maths day with five other schools from across Warrington. Mrs Large, who led the learning, made maths fun and exciting. The children used origami to explore triangles and now know how to tell if even the biggest of numbers is divisible by three. The best part of the day was playing the "24 game" which made the children's brains work super hard as they found different ways to make 24 using 4 single digits. The children had a great time and were an absolute credit to our school and their families. Mrs Carrothers went with them and was so incredibly proud of their maths skills and attitude to learning – she can't wait for next time!

On Thursday, Cherry Class had a great time taking part in a panathlon challenge at Orford Hub. There was a wide range of sports including archery, kurling, tennis and long jump. The children had a brilliant time, trying the activities and competing against each other and participants from several other Warrington schools. They all received a medal at the end to celebrate their fantastic sporting attitudes and returned to school tired but happy!

Now that their SATs are over, Year 6 children are turning their attention to their end of year leavers' assembly. They've chosen the play themselves and have been auditioning for parts this week. I spotted them leaving school with their scripts yesterday – ready to start learning their lines. I'm looking forward to hearing them practise their songs and perfecting their performance over the coming weeks – ready to wow us with their final show on 17th July. I can't wait!

This morning Cedar Class shared their learning with the rest of the school and their parents and carers. They were absolutely amazing! The range of different subjects that they learn is truly impressive and it was clear to see how they build on this for their future learning. It was so lovely to see the children's obvious enjoyment and pride in their work and I was blown away by the confident speaking and microphone skills. The children had learned their parts and delivered them brilliantly. It was also great to see how many parents and carers came to watch the assembly. The children love it when they share their school experiences with you. Well done Cedar Class we are all so very proud of you!

Have a lovely two-week holiday – we will see you on Monday 9th June for the last half term of this school year.

Mrs Downey

Attendance – In School – On Time – Every Day

Last week, 6 classes topped 96% attendance – well done to Hazel, Sycamore, Ash, Maple, Olive and Oak Classes. Cherry Class was close with 94% – let's see if you can make it 96% when we come back from half term! 6 classes improved their attendance from the previous week – Keep it up!

Class	Attendance Last week
Seedlings	89
Acorns	79
Ash	97
Cedar	90
Holly	71
Hazel	100
Rowan	91
Maple	98
Sycamore	97
Willow	87
Olive	97
Oak	97
Cherry	94

School re-opens after the holiday at 8:40am on Monday 9th June (8:30am for morning Nursery)

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

Statutory Assessments

In the first week back (9th – 13th June) our Year 1 children have their Phonics Screening Check and our Year 4 children have their Multiplication Check. These are statutory assessments which can't be taken at any other time. Teachers have made sure that the children are ready to do their absolute best in these checks. It is especially important that your child is in school, on time, every day during this week.

School choir

TCAT Concert at Parr Hall Tuesday 24th June at 6.30pm. Please keep the date free! More information and tickets will be available after the half term break.

Arbor communications

Our new Arbor app is now active and replaces ParentMail. Please ensure your email is up to date, we have a number of fathers whose details are not on the system. Please pop into the office to update your records, **this is now our main communication channel.**

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 contributions during their PSHE lessons.

Seedlings: Willow for growing so much in confidence this past week, well done!

Acorns: Felicity for great contributions in our My Happy Mind sessions.

Ash: Owen for confidently talking about his family members, through our jigsaw, relationships area of learning.

Cedar: Ayia made some thoughtful contributions to our class discussion about how to be a good friend in PSHE today.

Rowan: Alice always makes great contributions during our PSHE lessons. She can recall the functions of the different parts of her brain and loves to talk about her 'Happy Breathing' from My Happy Mind.

Maple: Nicole for always makes good contributions to our PSHE lessons.

Sycamore: Olivia has been contributing well to our PSHE sessions she is keen to discuss the topics and does so with confidence.

Olive: Poppy for offering thoughtful contributions in PSHE lessons.

Oak: Izzy T for excellent contributions during our PHSE lessons.

Hazel: William for being a fantastic friend and supporting his classmates.

Holly: River for working really hard in our Jigsaw lessons to build relationships with his friends and share his favourite toys! Well done River!

Willow: Jaden for joining in with PHSE lessons.

Cherry: Theo, this week Theo demonstrated an awareness of being a global citizen. He made excellent contributions to our Jigsaw lesson.

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			20 PALS - Tianna, Willow, Alice, Esme, Owen, Mia, Princess, Borbala, Lyla- Mae, Mila P, Rupert
Cedar	Harper-Mae, Evie-Mae, David, Alexandra, Rosie, Lavin, Selin, Daniel and Tatiana.		100 PALS points Coby and Evie-Mae
Rowan	Drew, Evelyn, Tayla, Darcie L, Matilda, Wissam, Luna, Alan, Khloe Hallie		
Maple	Lily R, Kye, Noah, Shana, Max, David, Amelia, Dean, Cleo, Omari, Ronan, Alex		
Sycamore	Sofia, Sophia, Joe, Awaan, Olivia, Darcy, Archie, Paiveen, Hina, Zack, Isabelle Scott, Aria and Kai	Sofia, Sophia, Joe, Awaan, Olivia, Darcy, Archie, Paiveen, Hina, Zack, Isabelle Scott, Aria and Kai	
Olive	Eric, Charlie, Ava, Poppy, Oscar, Lottie, Alex, Maria, Jonah, Ola	Ruby, Jasmine, Zsombor, Poppy, Layla, Aaliyah	PALS Daniel 500 Poppy 600 Layla 600 Ava 600
Willow			300 PALS - Oscar 100 PALS -Adam

Dates for your diary

Event	Date
School re opens	Monday 9 th June
Statutory Assessments	9 th – 13 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
Year 6 Leavers assembly	Thursday 17 th July (time to be confirmed)
End of term (finish at 2pm)	Friday 25 th July
School re-opens	Thursday 4 th September