



## DALLAM C P SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

11<sup>th</sup> July 2025

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

School value: **ambition**

I went into Ash Class's outdoor area yesterday and was super impressed with the sensible way that the children were applying their sunscreen ready for a morning of learning in the fresh air and sunshine. It's really important for them to learn how to be safe in the sun and their teachers are building this into every day at the moment.

Warrington council have a really good website page at <https://www.warrington.gov.uk/summer> which covers a wide range of hints and tips to help you and your loved ones stay happy and healthy over the summer. In school, we are taking particular care to keep our rooms as cool as possible by keeping blinds closed, lights off and windows open. We are encouraging the children to enjoy quiet times and drink plenty of water as well as seeking out shade and protecting themselves from the sun while they are outside. Please make sure that your child has a water bottle and hat with them in school and apply suncream before they leave home in the morning. (don't forget noses and ears as they often catch the sun first!)

Maple and Willow Class have especially enjoyed visiting the baths for their swimming lesson this week. They have made so much progress that they were rewarded with a fun and floats session – what a great way to keep cool! It was lovely to see the children's faces as they enjoyed games in the pool, using the swimming skills they've developed this term. They also supported each other beautifully, taking turns with the equipment, helping each other to get onto the floats and then pushing them for each other. Their teachers were all really proud of them.

As the weather heats up, it is very tempting for our young people to cool down in our water ways. Tragically, every year we hear news stories about children who have got into trouble – sometimes with catastrophic results. In classes, we are sharing Cheshire Fire and Rescue's water safety messages over the next week or so. I've included the advice that they've asked me to share with the school community below.

Yesterday, in Holly and Hazel, the children had great fun working together towards a common goal! They prepared food (sandwiches, biscuits, cakes and fruit) for themselves and their friends. They worked on good hygiene skills (washing their hands before and after preparing food and keeping their fingers out of their mouths and noses!) They also developed their cooking safety skills when using sharp (child safe) knives and showed fantastic turn taking skills.

Once all that hard work was completed, the children enjoyed the really fun part – a Teddy bears picnic in the school hall! They absolutely loved trying the different foods – even the teddies tried a bit! There was singing, team games with Tom, our PE coach, and a fabulous action story about some missing bears to complete the afternoon. What a brilliant way to celebrate national Teddy Bears Picnic Day!

Last week the children had a visit from Trudi Colbourne, from Livewire. She came into assembly to tell us about The Summer Reading Challenge 2025 that launched on 5th July. She has invited children to head down to any of Warrington's Libraries and sign up. By reading one book a week, children can earn some super prizes. There are stickers, a bookmark, a fairy door and even a medal to be won! The theme is 'Story Garden' exploring adventures in nature and the great outdoors. She is also giving a prize to the school that has the largest percentage of children entering the Summer Reading Challenge - so let's get signing up!

Today all children should be bringing a book home from the Bookfair. We have managed to secure this opportunity for the children through our association with the Bookmark charity and Scholastic books. We still can't quite believe their generosity in providing a free book each for our children and are extremely grateful. What a great way to start the summer and promote the love of reading that we are so keen to develop in our children.

Have a lovely weekend and keep safe while enjoying the glorious weather that's on its way.

Mrs Downey

#### **Attendance – In School – On Time – Every Day**

Last week, 4 classes topped 96% attendance – well done to Maple, Willow, Hazel, and Cherry Classes and a special shout out to Cherry and Hazel Classes with 100% - amazing!. Rowan Class was so close with 95% again and Cedar Class have joined them this week – come on let's make it 96% next week! 6 classes improved their attendance from last week – Keep it up!

<b>Class</b>	<b>Attendance Last week</b>
<b>Seedlings</b>	<b>92</b>
<b>Acorns</b>	<b>79</b>
<b>Ash</b>	<b>93</b>
<b>Cedar</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>Holly</b>	<b>79</b>
<b>Hazel</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Rowan</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>Maple</b>	<b>98</b>
<b>Sycamore</b>	<b>92</b>
<b>Willow</b>	<b>98</b>
<b>Olive</b>	<b>91</b>
<b>Oak</b>	<b>89</b>
<b>Cherry</b>	<b>100</b>

Next week is your child's last full week with their current teacher so it's even more important to be in school, on time, every day to make the most of the final bit of learning from this year's curriculum.

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

### **A Message from Cheshire's Fire and Rescue Service**

#### **Stay safe this summer**

Whether you're staying at home or going on holiday this summer, make sure you are being safe in and around the water.

#### **What to do if you see someone in trouble**

**Shout** – "Are you in trouble? Can you swim towards me, or stand up?"

**Reach** – find a long object that you can let go of, to try and reach the person. Lie down or crouch so you aren't pulled in too.

**Throw** – throw something to help keep them afloat - throwlines (floating lines), footballs, and life rings are great options.

**Don't go** – Never go into the water yourself; keep eyes on them and call 999 immediately.

**If you're in trouble, Float to Live** - lie on your back, keeping your mouth above the surface, and try to gently move to safety. Stay calm.

For more information and life-saving tips, visit: <https://www.cheshirefire.gov.uk/your-safety/water-safety/>

#### **School Tuck**

Please remember that we are a healthy tuck school. This means that tuck at morning play should consist of toast, fruit, cheese or breadsticks. If your child brings cereal bars, crisps or other snacks with high sugar or fat content, they will be asked to save them to have with their lunch. We will always offer your child a piece of fruit or toast if they are hungry.

#### **Padgate Academy**



## **Year 5/6 Information Event** at Dallam Community Primary School 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025 14:30 - 15:00

Padgate Academy are providing an event to meet the Principal Mr. McMillan and Transition Lead Miss Parkinson for an opportunity to ask questions and discover what Padgate Academy has to offer.

If you are a year 6 pupil joining us or a year 5 pupil considering Padgate Academy or if you are a parent or carer, we look forward to meeting you.

## **Things to do in Warrington over the summer:**

[Children's Zoo - Walton Hall and Gardens](#)

[Parks and open spaces | warrington.gov.uk](#)

[Outdoor Multi-Cultural Festival, Warrington Mela, Secure Arts Council Public Funding - We Are Warrington Bid](#)

[Welcome to Warrington Museum & Art Gallery - Warrington Museum and Art Gallery](#)

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/d/united-kingdom--warrington/warrington/>

[Things to do in Warrington - Events in Warrington - Culture Warrington](#)

[Living Well Hub | warrington.gov.uk](#)

Girls Roar, see attached flyer

### **School Uniform**

We hold a limited amount of uniform in school which we currently subsidise. We are able to offer discounts, until the end of term. Once it's gone, it's gone!!!

- Jumpers and cardigans £10
- PE tops £5
- Bags £3
- Water bottles £1

Uniform will be available from the following suppliers:

- Touchline <https://www.touchline-embroidery.com/>
- S G School & Sports wear <https://www.sg-embroidery.co.uk/>
- Alpha school wear <https://alphaschoolwear.com/product-category/schools-a-z/infants-and-primary-schools/dallam-community-primary/>

### **Early Years fundraising.**

As part of our final fundraising event for EYFS, we will be holding a competition to see if children can guess how many sweets are in the jar. The cost will be £1 to enter and children will have one week to make their guess. The child who guesses to the nearest amount will win the jar.

Mrs Leffler will be taking the jar of sweets around to each class everyday next week for children to donate and make their guess. Good Luck!



**Lead Learners this week:** a child who has made great progress in their science.

**Seedlings:** Hallie for being aware of changes within the environment.

**Acorns:** Grayson for great colour recognition towards our learning about rainbows.

**Ash:** Charlie for displaying such a keen interest in minibeasts.

**Cedar:** Sophia K really enjoyed looking for signs of summer in our science lesson and was delighted to see that the sunflowers are now taller than her!

**Rowan:** Cole has shown a great interest in science this year. He is interested in the experiments that we do and has great recall of scientific facts.

**Maple:** Lily R for great recall about a wide range of different science learning this year.

**Sycamore:** Zack, he made excellent progress creating circuits in science.

**Olive:** Aaliyah, her science skills have improved amazingly.

**Oak:** Jace for making amazing progress in his science. He is very knowledgeable and always contributes to sessions.

**Holly:** Lia for exploring materials, to see if they are wet or dry.

**Cherry:** Matthew for outstanding fieldwork in science with year 5. Well done

**Willow:** Olivia - for always contributing well to group discussions in science

### **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
<b>Ash</b>			
<b>Cedar</b>	Daniel, Tatiana and Sophia K.	Sinead, Ayia, Matilda, Josie, Daniel, David, Freddie, Borislav and Mirvan.	
<b>Rowan</b>	Louie, Darcie L, Wissam, Teddy, Evelyn and Mayia		
<b>Maple</b>	Harley, Kye, Max, Shana, Lucas, Omari, Thomas		Nicole 200, Hannah 200
<b>Olive</b>	Ella, Sila, Amelia, Demi, Layla, Bella, Elsa, Jackson, Lidia, Oscar, Jonah	Ruby, Aaliyah, Ola, Ruby, Jasmine, Jackson	



**Dates for your diary**

Event	Date
Year 6 Leavers assembly	<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2025 @ 1.20pm</b>
End of Term <b>(2pm Finish)</b>	<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2025</b>
School Re Opens	<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2025</b>