

## DALLAM C P SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## 19th September 2025

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

School value: respect

This week, the rain has stopped play a couple times and the children have had to spend their break time indoors. We try really hard to get the children out in the fresh air as much as possible, so having a warm, waterproof coat in school is becoming more important as every week goes by.

All our classes are thoroughly enjoying their learning across the curriculum. Maple Class are loving learning how to sew a cross stitch. Our school value of resilience has been particularly important in dealing with knots, tangled threads and unthreaded needles. It has all been worth it though to see faces beaming with pride when they eventually managed to create the x shape.

Mrs Wooster is also beaming with pride at the way Ash Class have settled into doing full days in school. This is a really big step for our children and they have been fantastic. Every time I've popped into their classroom, they've been using the learning areas really well and independently. I've seen some lovely co-operation between friends and am truly impressed by how kind they have been to each other.

EYFS (Acorns, Ash, Holly and Hazel) have had a visit from the 'Tooth Fairy' with her mascot on Wednesday, who talked to them about the importance of brushing their teeth and making good choices with their food and drink. All the children practised brushing their teeth – she was blown away with how well they did.

Across KS2, classes have now elected their school councillor. The teachers have been very impressed with the children's speeches outlining why they would be a great member of the council and why their peers should vote for them - they had clearly thought hard about them. Mrs Parfrey was telling me how proud she was of the children in Maple Class when the results were announced: the unsuccessful candidates were very mature, clapping and celebrating with their new class representatives.

We've had our very first Challenge Award points awarded to two volunteers who helped Mrs Wood to sort out the gardening shed on Thursday after school. They gave up their own time to help our school community and enable children throughout the school to use their gardening skills over the next few weeks to get our vegetable beds ready for winter. Well done girls – I'm sure that these will be the first of many points that you earn this year. You've made a great start towards your Bronze Award.

This morning, we've waved some of our Year 6 children off to their residential trip to Boreatton Park. They were so excited as they set out on this latest adventure. Looking at the weather forecast for the weekend, it looks as though they're going to see some rain – but this won't stop them from having an amazing time! It's at times like this that we can

really see how our staff go above and beyond for our children. All the staff going with the children have volunteered their time and given up the weekend with their families to make this an experience to remember for Year 6 - thank you.

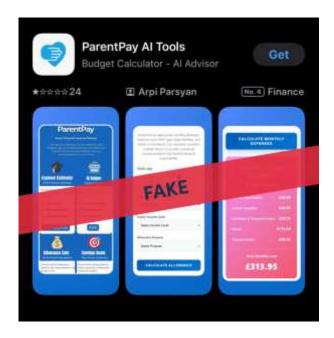
Next week, Tom is hoping to run the football trials on Wednesday after this week's attempt was rained off. Let's keep our fingers crossed for good weather.

I hope you have a lovely weekend. Mrs Downey

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Lead Learners this week: a child who has demonstrated our school value of respect.

**Seedlings:** Orla for always showing respect to our toys and equipment in the classroom.

**Acorns**: Ayra for showing respect for our toys and resources and being a top tidier!

**Ash**: Eliyah Verhof for always playing well and being kind with his friends, showing respect.

**Cedar**: Willow has been showing the value of respect in our classroom by taking care of her friends and making sure that our new school equipment is being looked after

**Rowan**: Rosie has shown great respect towards her peers, adults and classroom equipment since starting back in September. She is always considerate of how she treats other people.

**Maple:** Dolcie always being polite and respectful to her peers and staff.

**Olive:** Joe for always showing our school value of respect and being a fantastic role model for others.

**Oak**: Bella for always showing respect to others.

**Cherry**: Layla for showing good listening and respect throughout the school. Well done Layla.

**Willow:** Jacob for showing respect to the resources in class by always tidying up carefully when asked to do so.

## 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			
Cedar			
Rowan	Freddie, Harper, Alexandra, Tatiana, Jack		
Maple	Lauren, Darcie M, Darcie L, Dolcie, Rajmond, Louie, Wissam, Evelyn, Alice, Alan, Lewis, Matilda		
Sycamor	е		
Olive	Emily, Izabella, Summer, Darcy, Joe, Kai, Sidar, Aria	Darcy, Ousemba	
Oak			Eric 400 PALS
Holly			Christopher 100 PALS.
Cherry			Mathew 300 PALS