



DALLAM C P SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

5th December 2025

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

School value: **inclusivity**

It's been a brilliant week for seeing our school community come together. On Wednesday evening, children from Oak and Cherry classes took part in an amazing celebration of Christmas and the talent in the TCAT academies at the TCAT Sings event at Parr Hall. The venue was absolutely packed out with families and students from across the Trust. It was a brilliant show, with singing, dance, drama and talented musicians. Our children sparkled with personality and confidence on stage as they encouraged the audience to join in with their performance. It was inspirational to see the older students in TCAT performing: it is a great opportunity for our children to see their future selves on stage and it was absolutely brilliant to see so many of our past pupils representing their high schools. The audience participation at the end of the show was a really fun way to finish off – despite the late night, we left the theatre smiling with no doubt the Christmas is just around the corner. I know all the families and friends that attended last night would want to join me in saying a massive WELL DONE to all the children and staff who have worked so hard to make this event such a success.

Following hot on the heels of the Parr Hall show was our Friends of Dallam's Children Christmas Fayre on Thursday afternoon. I love to see our families in school and am truly grateful for your support. As usual there was a long queue for the tombola and the face painting table was super busy. The wait to see Santa wasn't too long and there were lots of little prizes to be won in the hall. Thank you for braving the weather to support us. All the proceeds from the FoDC events go straight back into experiences and resources for the children. As all of us continue to tighten our belts as finances become more and more challenging, your support makes a big difference.

On Thursday 18th December, the children will be enjoying a pantomime in the morning which will be paid for directly from the proceeds of the Christmas Fayre – Thank you to everyone who attended and all the staff who volunteered their time to make it happen.

Next week, we are looking forward to our Christmas performances. The children have been practising for a few weeks now and are looking forward to sharing the Christmas Story with you in their different ways. Seeing the costumes and the children's excitement and pride is always a great way to get into the Christmas spirit – and hearing their singing never ceases to bring a smile to our faces.

Have a lovely weekend – I look forward to seeing you next week.
Mrs Downey

Attendance – In School – On Time – Every Day

4 classes managed to top 96% attendance last week - A great big well done to Rowan, Willow, Oak and Hazel classes with an extra special mention for Willow and Hazel with 100%! The 4 classes coloured green improved their attendance from last week Keep it up! The 4 classes coloured blue maintained attendance from last week 😊 Ash, Holly and Cherry Classes – you are so close – let's see if you can make it to 96% next week!

Class	Attendance Last week
Seedlings	88
Acorns	86
Ash	90
Cedar	94
Holly	85
Hazel	100
Rowan	96
Maple	92
Sycamore	91
Willow	100
Olive	93
Oak	96
Cherry	89

This week we have seen an increase in absence due to illness. We are paying extra attention to good hand and respiratory hygiene to try and stop coughs, colds and upset stomachs from spreading. Please remind your child to wash their hands frequently (especially after using the toilet) and use a tissue to Catch it, Bin it, Kill it for coughs and sneezes. Going back to some of the habits that we developed during the pandemic might just stop us from being ill at Christmas!

If you need support with attendance, talk to us and we will work together to improve outcomes for our children.

Choir

The school Choir will be singing at Golden Square (The old market place - in front of Taco Bell) at 2pm on Thursday 11th December. Please come and support us!

choir 🎤 🎵 🎄

Christmas performances:

Thank you to everyone who have collected their performance tickets. We will have spares tickets for: Nursery & Reception- AM & PM Holly, Hazel, Cedar & Rowan – AM&PM. Please contact the office on Monday, first come, first served basis.



Lead Learners this week: child who has shone out in their computing lessons.

Acorns: Grayson for looking at photos of himself on the iPad.

Seedlings: Coby has enjoyed using the interactive whiteboard this week. He has made beautiful pictures on the screen.

Ash: Maxim for programming the bee bots well.

Cedar: Tianna has been learning very well in computing lessons, she understands commands and how they need to be precise and make sense.

Rowan: Matilda has been excellent within computing. She has shown our school value of resilience within lessons when completing coding. She never gave up and was the first child in class to complete the correct code.

Maple: Emilia for her great ideas for changes we can make when we remix a computer animation.

Sycamore: Harley has been helping his friends when using scratch in our computing lessons.

Olive: Emily for programming music on scratch.

Oak: The whole class for working together when learning about AI

Holly: Ricky for being able to use a track pad confidently to control his actions on the computer.

Hazel: Micheal for navigating the interactive whiteboard and playing simple games.

Willow: Marcell for excellent word processing skills.

Cherry: Kristian for trying really hard during our computing lesson, working on scratch.

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 Points
Ash	Jacob and Maxim		
Cedar	Rupert, Isaac, Wynter, Esme, Mia, Charlie and Livya.		
Maple	Mayia, Majka, Teddy, Dolcie, Lewis, Tayla, Luna, Darcie M, Nevaeh		
Rowan	Evie-Mae, Josie, Sophie, Matilda, Harper-Mae	Harper-Mae	
Sycamore	Amelia, Armin, Cleo, David, Leo D, Lewis, Lily F, Nour, Ronan, Thomas	Amelia, Cleo, David, Harry, Leo D, Lewis, Nicole, Nour, Omari, Noah, Thomas	
Olive	Zack, Sophia, Summer, Joe, Isabella, Olivai, Darcy, Izabella.		
Oak	Aliliah, Elsa, Ola, Ara, Jonah, Jasmine, Lottie, Aalilyah, Charlie Lidia, Ruby, Theodor, Bella, Zsombor Jackson, Alex, Sila, Ella, Poppy	Aliliah, Ola, Elsa, Ella, Ara, Jonah, Jasmine, Lottie, Aalilyah, Charlie, Ruby, Theodor, Zornitsa, Zsombor Bella, Jackson, Sila, Alex Poppy.	Aalilyah 300 Ella 400 Layla 700
Holly			Logan 200 Anthony 200
Cherry	Kristian & Nathan		

Dates for your diary

Thursday 11th December	Choir will be singing in Golden Square from 2pm
Wednesday 17th December	Elf & Reindeer run for the whole school, within PE 🦌 🎅
Friday 19th December	End of term, finish at 2pm

🎄 Christmas performances 🎄

Early years (Nursery & Ash class)

Monday 8 th December	2:00pm
Wednesday 10 th December	9.30am

KS1 (Holly, Hazel, Cedar & Rowan)

Wednesday 10 th December	2:00pm
Thursday 11 th December	9.30am

KS2 (Willow, Cherry, Maple, Sycamore, Oak & Olive)

Tuesday 9 th December	9.30am
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