



DALLAM C P SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

12th December 2025

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

School value: **inclusivity**

This week has been all about the Christmas performances - and they were outstanding! I am in the very privileged position that I see all of them – from our 2 year old stars in the Twinkly Nativity to our Year 6 children celebrating their final Christmas performance at Dallam Primary with stunningly confident singing. As I watched each performance, I was struck by the progress that our children make as they move through school. From their very first speaking parts exploring how to use a microphone - to the Year 2 children who had learned their parts perfectly and delivered them so confidently - to the polished narrators in KS2 who spoke with such clarity and poise as they each told the Christmas Story in their different ways.

As usual, the singing was brilliant in every show and it was so lovely to see the pride in all of the children as they sparkled and shone on the stage. It made me stop for a short while and enjoy the magical time that Christmas is for our children and I know that I wasn't the only one who had an emotional moment or two as our school values of inclusivity, ambition and kindness shone through.

We had an additional performance in Golden Square on Thursday where it was lovely to see our choir performing some of their favourite Christmas songs for people who were out and about in Town. Their singing was beautiful! It was great to see the support of our community once again at this event.

None of the performances would have taken place without the creativity, dedication and hard work of the class teams working together to make it happen for our children or the support and reassurance that families provided to help the children to learn their songs and lines and be confident to take part. I love watching them spot a loved one in the audience: they love to share what they do in school with family and friends.

Thank you to everyone who was able to come and join us for our Christmas celebrations this week. Next week, there will be more Christmas fun and excitement for the children to look forward to with:

- Christmas dinner and Christmas Jumper Day on Tuesday
- the annual elf/reindeer run on Wednesday
- the Pantomime on Thursday
- a visit from Santa's helpers and a 2pm finish on Friday.

I also know that teachers are planning some other treats for the children as well as finishing off their projects from this term. I can't wait – there are so many fun activities to enjoy!

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Downey

Attendance – In School – On Time – Every Day

2 classes managed to top 96% attendance last week - A great big well done to Holly and Cherry classes with an extra special mention for Holly with 100%! The 3 classes coloured green improved their attendance from last week Keep it up!

Class	Attendance Last week
Seedlings	93
Acorns	74
Ash	59
Cedar	90
Holly	100
Hazel	86
Rowan	91
Maple	88
Sycamore	89
Willow	89
Olive	85
Oak	93
Cherry	97

As you can see, last week's attendance has really dipped for most classes – there have been some really nasty bugs going around. I'm pleased to say that, as I'm writing this, I've checked this week's attendance and it seems to be on the up.

We are continuing to pay extra attention to good hand and respiratory hygiene. We are also making sure that we have good ventilation in school which is proven to help to prevent illnesses from spreading. I have sent out some messages from the DfE and the NHS this week about how to protect ourselves from the common viruses that are around at the moment and when to keep children at home if they are ill and when they should come to school. If you are unsure about whether your child should be in school, just ask and we will give you the most up to date advice.

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

The School Age Immunisation Team will return to the school on Thursday 8th January to provide flu vaccinations for pupils who were unable to receive them during the initial visit.

- If you previously completed the e-consent form but your child missed the first session, your consent remains valid. The vaccination will be offered during this second visit. **Please note:** If your child has already received the vaccine elsewhere (e.g., at a GP surgery or pharmacy), kindly inform us by emailing imms.w-ce@intrahealth.co.uk.
- If you have not yet completed the e-consent form please complete the consent form using the following link below (Yes/No); <https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/24769562> . The deadline for submission is Monday 5th January.

Thank you for your cooperation and support in helping us protect children against flu.

For GDPR Purposes the school does not keep a record of the children who have received their immunisations. You can find this information on the <https://www.nhs.uk/nhs-app/> or imms.w-ce@intrahealth.co.uk.

Elf & Reindeer run

You child will have brought home a St Rocco's Hospice sponson form/envelope. The Children will be taking part during their PE Lesson on Wednesday 17th December, if the weather is unkind, it will be completed during the last week of school. Once completed, please return your sealed envelopes either your child's class or to the office. Thank you for your support.



Lead Learners this week: child who has shone out for their drama/music skills in the Christmas performances.

Acorns: Nancy for using her biggest singing voice in our Twinkly Nativity!

Seedlings: All of seedlings class were amazing during the Christmas play! Each child danced, sang, and carried out the actions - little super stars!

Ash: Elsie for taking part in the Twinkly Nativity. She joined in with some lovely actions.

Cedar: Mila O gave a fabulous, enthusiastic performance as a shepherd in our nativity this week.

Rowan: Freddie has been amazing in our Christmas performance. He performed his lines with confidence and clarity. Freddie really shone out and the class team are very proud of him.

Maple: Lauren for a super contribution to our Christmas concert with great enthusiasm, singing and actions.

Sycamore: Amelia did a fantastic job in our Christmas performance with her solo singing.

Olive: Rosa for a fantastic Christmas performance.

Oak: Jonah for his amazing violin solo in the Christmas Performance.

Holly: The whole class, you were all amazing!!

Hazel: The whole of Hazel class for performing beautifully in both performances, every child did amazing and we are so proud

Willow: Lucas for a great performance in the Christmas show.

Cherry: Isaac and Logan for being professional and enthusiastic throughout all rehearsals and trying their very hardest.

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	Oscar and Lareen		
Cedar	Willow, Rupert, Lyla D, Rosie, Isabella, Tianna and Borbala.		
Maple	Wissam, Darcie M, Evelyn, Al-Mubarak, Alan, Teddy, Carter		
Rowan	Evie-Mae, Mirvan, Alexandra, Josie, Freddie, Jack, Harper-Mae	Harper-Mae x 2, Daniel, David	
Sycamore	Adam, Harley, Haron, Israel, Jayden, Kye, Lucas, Nicole, Omari, Shana, Skye	Haron, Lily, Shana, Ronan	
Olive	Sidar, Emily, Sophia, Aria	Izabella	Izabella - 400 Isabelle -300 Summer - 300
Oak	Theo, Poppy, Jasmine, Ara, Ella, Ola, Lottie, Aaliyah, Ruby, Lidia, Alex, Bella, Jackson, Charlie, Zsombor, Elsa, Sila, Aliliah, Zornitsa, Layla	Theo, Poppy, Jasmine, Ara, Ella, Ola, Lottie, Aaliyah, Ruby, Lidia, Alex, Bella, Jackson, Charlie, Zsombor, Elsa, Sila, Aliliah, Zornitsa, Layla, Oscar	
Cherry	Layla		

Dates for your diary

W/c 15th December	Elf & Reindeer run for the whole school, within PE 🦌👴
Tuesday 16th December	Christmas jumper day (worn with school uniform)
Thursday 18th December	Whole school panto
Friday 19th December	End of term, finish at 2pm
Monday 5th January 2026	School re opens