

**19th December 2025**

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

School value: **inclusivity**

I can't believe that this is the last newsletter of 2025.

Our Christmas dinner went without a hitch on Tuesday with Christmas jumpers, piled plates and Christmas music. The children really enjoyed pulling a cracker with their friends and sharing the jokes in them round the table. The kitchen staff worked really hard to make sure that everyone had a delicious plate of food – the sprouts were a masterpiece – with a tiny hint of herbs and garlic they were lovely!

We've continued to ensure that our children have opportunities to take part in trips and visits right up to the last week of term. On Monday morning, a group of Year 4, 5 and 6 athletes took part in the Warrington Schools Indoor Athletics Competition at BCA. The competition was extremely close, and our children were determined competitors throughout the event. The girls' team achieved a fantastic win, and overall Dallam Primary School finished as runners-up. We are incredibly proud of the talented athletes we have at Dallam Primary. As well as showing great competitive spirit, the children were brilliant examples of calm, friendly and respectful sporting behaviour. It was a wonderful morning, and the children's behaviour and attitudes were outstanding.

On Thursday, the Friends of Dallam School provided a panto experience for the children which was another brilliant way to get into the Christmas spirit - with lots of audience participation and laughter. The children watched Snow White and loved it! The performers were so complimentary about their audience commenting on how well behaved our children are: they are the best audience they've had yet. They told us that the children are a credit to our school and their families. This is something that we already know, but it's lovely when someone from outside school takes the time to mention it to us 😊

Classes from across school have done the annual Reindeer/Elf Run this week to raise money for the St Rocco's Hospice Charity. This is a cause that we often support with fundraising events as the charity supports members of the community right across Warrington at a time in their lives when they need it most. Thank you for your generous support – the donations have already started to come into school.

Our leadership programmes for the children are well established and it was lovely to see the mini police out and about in the community on Thursday afternoon, supporting our PCSO to give information to members of the wider Warrington community about crime prevention and staying safe over the festive period. They were confident, polite and respectful when talking to the public and we had a great response from everyone they spoke to. They discussed how to be aware of scams, keep themselves and their homes safe and gave out freebies like door alarms and purse bells. We are very proud of them!

Our librarians were also very busy this week awarding prizes for the 12 days of Christmas bookmark competition in Monday's assembly with all the lucky winners receiving a book to enjoy.

Classes have continued with their learning across the curriculum right up to the end of this week as the children have completed their units of work in all subjects and displays have been changed on the corridors to celebrate their achievements. I love to see the children stopping as they walk around school to enjoy not only their own success, but that of other classes as well.

This has been a packed term with lots of exciting and motivational opportunities for our children across the whole curriculum whether in school or on visits to other places. Take a moment before your child returns to school in January to look at their Seesaw or Tapestry messages and our Facebook or Instagram pages with them. This is a great way for the children to share what they've been learning with other family members: talking about their learning will help them commit it to long term memory so that they can build on it in the future.

I know that you must be incredibly proud of your children and their success. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all of our families for the support that they give our children to help them to be their very best. By working together, we can nurture and inspire our children towards a bright future.

All the staff and Governors in the school would like to wish you a very Happy Christmas - we are already looking forward to the opportunities and new experiences that 2026 will bring.

Have a lovely Christmas and a peaceful New Year – we will see you on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026.  
Mrs Downey

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

WOW – what an incredible improvement in attendance last week! 6 classes managed to top 96% attendance last week – Amazing work Seedlings, Holly, Hazel, Rowan, Sycamore and Cherry Classes The 10 classes **coloured green** improved their attendance from last week Keep it up! Oak Class – You were so close with 95%. The class **coloured blue** maintained their attendance from last week

Class	Attendance Last week
Seedlings	97
Acorns	85
Ash	93
Cedar	84
Holly	96
Hazel	99
Rowan	96
Maple	91
Sycamore	99
Willow	89
Olive	94
Oak	95
Cherry	99

Thank you for supporting us to ensure that children are in school, on time, every day. We saw a real upturn in attendance right across the school last week. Children are getting over the cough, colds and upset stomachs that we have seen so many of in the last couple of weeks.

If you need support with attendance, talk to us and we will work together to improve outcomes for our children. **School re-opens after the Christmas holiday on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026** at 8:40am for Reception to Year 6 children and 8:30am for morning Nursery children.

## Class assemblies

As we move into the Spring term, classes will be starting to prepare their sharing assemblies. This is a great way for you to come into school and see your child's class present their experiences and achievements over the year so far. The assemblies take place on Friday mornings at 9:05am in the school hall. Your child's class team will let you know when they will be presenting theirs – keep an eye on Seesaw or Tapestry so you can save the date. We are starting with Oak Class on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026 and hope to see as many parents and carers as possible sharing this with us.

**The School Age Immunisation Team will return to the school on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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 5<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:imms.w-ce@intrahealth.co.uk).

#### **Elf & Reindeer run**

Please return your sealed envelopes either your child's class or to the office. Thank you for your support.



**Lead Learners this week: a child who has shone out for being a positive role model to their peers.**

**Acorns:** Brody for helping in seedlings and being a good role model.

**Seedlings:** Szonja for always including others in her play and being kind to everyone.

**Ash:** Ella for always being a good role model and showing her peers how to do good sitting and good listening.

**Cedar:** Aaliyah is a super role model. She always has a positive attitude to her learning and put 100% effort into her work.

**Rowan:** Lavin has been an excellent role model to her peers with her positive attitude to her reading both in class and at home. Well done, Lavin!

**Maple:** Wissam for always ready to learn, makes great choices and tries hard in all lessons

**Sycamore:** Amelia, everything she does is exemplary.

**Olive:** Liv for being an excellent role model by always following the school rules and showing our school values.

**Oak:** Aliliah for being in school everyday and being an excellent role model to others in class. She also took on a solo performance during our TCAT Christmas performance and sang beautifully to hundreds of people.

**Holly:** Logan for making the right choices when tidying up at the end of the day.

**Hazel:** George for being a positive role model and making the right choices.

**Willow:** Jaden for being a super role model for his peers when completing class jobs in class. Well done!

**Cherry:** Matthew for being an amazing role model to his friends all around school. He always makes the right choice.

### **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:

	<b>READING CHAMPIONS</b>	<b>MAD ABOUT MATHS</b>	<b>PALS Points</b>
<b>Ash</b>	Oscar, Lareen and John		
<b>Cedar</b>	Anna, Princess and Miki.	Emre, Livya, Miki, Anna, Isaac, Owen, Mila P, Rosie, Olivia, Princess, Aaliyah, Willow, Alice, Stuart, Rupert, Wynter, Esme and Isla.	
<b>Maple</b>	Tayla, Lewis, Louie, Al-Mubarak, Dolcie, Wissam, Lira, Rajmond, Mayia, Majka, Teddy	Evelyn	<b>Evelyn 200 PALS.</b>
<b>Rowan</b>	Daniel, David, Mirvan, Evie-Mae, Alexandra, Josie, Sophie, Lavin, Jack, Harper-Mae	Harper-Mae, Lavin	
<b>Oak</b>	Lottie, Layla, Zornitsa, Ara, Ruby, Ella, Poppy, Oscar, Jasmine, Jonah, Lidia, Ola, Theo, Charlie, Bella, Sila, Zsombor, Elsa, Jackson, Aliliah, Alex	Lottie, Layla, Zornitsa, Ara, Ruby, Ella, Poppy, Oscar, Jasmine, Jonah, Lidia, Ola, Theo, Charlie, Bella, Sila, Zsombor, Elsa, Jackson, Aliliah, Alex	

### **Dates for your diary**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**School re opens**

  **Wishing you all a very happy Christmas, from the girls in the office**  