



DALLAM C P SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
Friday 8th May 2026

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

School value: **ambition**

It's been another wonderfully busy and positive week at Dallam, with children across the school throwing themselves into their learning and making us incredibly proud.

This week has had a very special theme, as many classes have been celebrating Sir David Attenborough's 100th birthday. Children have been learning about wildlife, conservation and the incredible impact he has had on our understanding of the natural world. Holly Class have been learning about the endangered Monarch Butterfly, creating beautiful butterfly artwork and even planning an animal-themed celebration with music, food and decorations! Year 3 have celebrated by looking at some of the species that have been named after him then creating artwork inspired by the animals and the great man himself.

Our Year 4 children took part in their Bikeability sessions and represented the school brilliantly. The instructors were full of praise for their confidence, maturity and positive behaviour, and it was lovely to see the children developing important life skills while enjoying themselves.

With the lovely weather this week, Cherry Class made the most of being outdoors, getting the scooters out to practise their balance and coordination skills – lots of smiles all round!

Across the school, learning has been as exciting as ever. In Year 5, children explored different ways of developing self-portraits, using continuous line drawing as well as words inspired by poetry. In Year 6, pupils used AI creatively to design a brand-new animal and then wrote a detailed non-chronological report about their creation, producing some fantastic and imaginative work.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Harrison

Important Reminders

KS2 SATs

KS2 SATs will take place **in school from Monday 11th May to Thursday 14th May**, each morning. Children will be offered breakfast in school from **8:40am**, helping them to feel calm and settled before the tests begin at **9:15am**. Please ensure children arrive **on time** each day so they are ready and relaxed. Thank you, as always, for your support.

Bikes and Scooters

It's great to see so many children travelling to school on bikes and scooters as the weather improves. A gentle reminder that bikes and scooters should **not be ridden on the playground**. Children should walk them through school grounds to help keep everyone safe during busy arrival and home times.

Plastic Bottles – Greenhouse Project

We're still collecting **empty 2L plastic bottles** to help complete our greenhouse project. Please drop any bottles into the cage in the car park, with lids and labels removed if possible. We still need quite a few more, and every bottle helps us recycle and reduce waste – thank you!

Attendance – In School – On Time – Every Day

Last week 4 classes topped 96% attendance – Well Done to Maple, Oak, Holly and Olive.

Registration Form	Present R/C: Marks (%)
SAPLINGS	90.32%
MAPLE	98.62%
ASH	94.58%
ACORNS	88.66%
SYCAMORE	94.93%
ROWAN	90.86%
OAK	97.25%
CEDAR	98.35%
SEEDLINGS	92.31%
HOLLY	96.83%
CHERRY	83.93%
OLIVE	96.99%
HAZEL	88.89%
WILLOW	87.3%



Lead Learners this week: a child who has made great progress with their speaking and listening skills.

Seedlings: Oliver is learning new words every day and is using them with both staff and peers!

Acorns: Daniel for using his talking voice to express his ideas when learning.

Ash: Lily tried hard to use Makaton signing when responding to teachers.

Cedar: Mila O has made super progress with her speaking and listening. It is lovely to hear her thoughts and super contributions in class.

Rowan: Selin has demonstrated excellent speaking and listening skills this week. During group discussions she puts a great effort into listening to what her friends are saying and shows a great understanding.

Maple: Louie for having the confidence to speak in role play in front of the whole class.

Sycamore: Kye has developed his speaking and listening oracy skills, using sentence starters to help build his vocabulary. He is a great listener and responds thoughtfully.

Olive: Izabella for trying really hard to work on our oracy targets by carefully considering the words she uses.

Oak: Logan for making excellent progress with his speaking and listening skills during drama lessons in English.

Holly: Elsie for listening carefully and following new rules.

Hazel: Morgan for joining Hazel class, learning to ask for help and using the communication boards.

Willow: Marcell for using his communication booklet to make requests from staff in class.

Cherry: Isaac for using his speaking and listening skills in English to take turns when rehearsing conversations.

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	Muuatjomeva, Heidi E, Mia x 2, Haval, Aram, Kiyla, Oscar, John, Lareen, Heidi M x 2, Isaiah		
Cedar	Livya, Wynter, Rosie, Rupert, Charlie and Tianna-Rose.		
Maple	Khloe, Rajmond, Lira, Dolcie, Nevaeh, Matilda, Carter, Tayla, Al-Mubarak, Wissam, Lewis	Majka	
Rowan	Tatiana, Daniel, Jack, Evie and Josie		Harper-Mae 200
Sycamore	Adam, David, Harley, Israel, Jayden, Kye, Leo D, Lewis, Lucas, Nicole, Nour, Shana	ALL Sycamore	Skye 200 Rhys 100 Omari 300 Harry 300
Olive	Darcy, Sophia, Izabella, Isabelle, Emily, Archie, Ousemba, Hina, Aria, Liv		
Oak	Ella, Zsombor, Demi, Aaliyah, Charlie, Theodor, Jackson, Ola, Jonah, Bella, Alex, Sila, Ara, Elsa, Aliliah, Zornitsa, Amelia, Lidia	Ella, Zsombor, Demi, Aaliyah, Charlie, Theodor, Jackson, Ola, Jonah, Bella, Alex, Sila, Ara, Elsa, Aliliah, Zornitsa, Amelia, Lidia	
Cherry	Nathan		

Dates for your diary

End of term (Summer 1)	Friday 22 nd May (2 weeks)
Return to school	Monday 8 th June
KS1 Sports day	Wednesday 17 th June in the afternoon. – Details to follow
KS2 Sports day	Wednesday 17 th June in the morning – Details to follow
Summer fair (Time to be confirmed)	Thursday 25 th June
Year 6 Leavers assembly (Time to be confirmed)	Thursday 16 th July
End of term (Summer 2)	Friday 24 th July @ 2pm