



**SPRING TERM 2:  
WB- 16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026**

# NEWSLETTER

**CALLOW END CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Building a foundation for Love and Learning

## HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another joyful and enriching week at Callow End C of E Primary School.

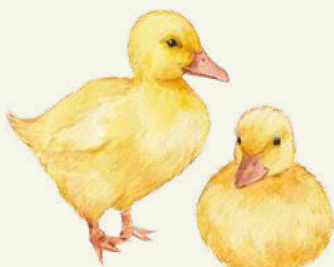
Our very special delivery from Incredible Eggs has continued to bring a real sense of awe and wonder across the school. Watching the ducklings hatch, take their first steps and even enjoy their first swim has been a truly memorable experience for all of our pupils. It has provided a wonderful opportunity to reflect on themes of new life and hope as we approach Easter.

We also enjoyed a fantastic whole school writing day, with children fully immersed in their creativity and producing some excellent work across all year groups.

A particular highlight of the week was a visit from Toscana Strings, who brought stories to life through live classical music. Our younger children were captivated by a beautiful performance of Sleeping Beauty, while our older pupils thoroughly enjoyed Wind in the Willows. It was a magical experience and a wonderful way to inspire imagination and a love of storytelling.

Wishing you all a lovely sunny weekend.

Miss Curtis



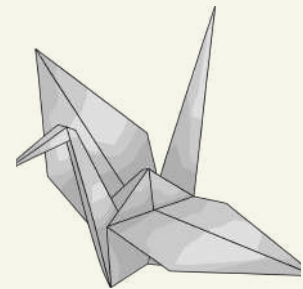
**FROM THE  
CLASSROOM**

**WRITING WEEK**

**CELEBRATIONS**

# From the Classroom...

This week marks the start of our second Whole School Writing Week, and the excitement across the school has been wonderful to see. We launched the week with a beautifully crafted and thought-provoking short film titled *Anchored*. The film follows a man alone at sea who receives delicate origami cranes, each carrying a message of encouragement, from his wife back home. The children were captivated by the imagery and emotion of the story. It sparked rich discussions and filled classrooms with imaginative ideas, giving everyone a powerful springboard for their writing. We can already see their creativity taking flight, and we look forward to sharing their work with you soon.



## Saplings class

Saplings have had a wonderfully imaginative week exploring ideas for what they might do in their own gardens at home. They've made the most of the beautiful weather and spent lots of time outside. After talking about finding spider webs, the children decided to create their own, carefully weaving patterns just like real spiders. They also loved designing and "flying" their own kites around the garden. To finish, they set up pretend tea parties, practising sharing, chatting and planning their perfect garden picnics. A joyful week of creativity and outdoor fun.



# From the Classroom...

## Ash class

Ash Class has been buzzing with excitement as we've watched our ducklings hatch and grow over the past few weeks. The children have been completely absorbed in caring for them, noticing their fluffy feathers change each day and learning what young animals need to thrive.

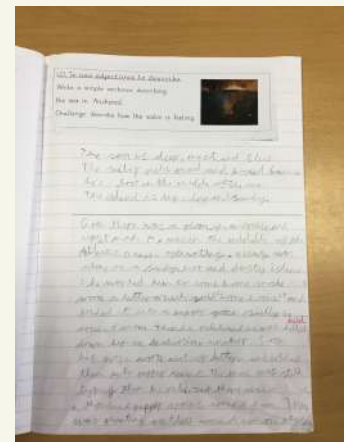
One of the children's favourite moments has been watching the ducklings enjoy the special "pond" we created right here in the classroom, where they could paddle, splash, and practise their swimming.

Their tiny kicks and joyful 'zoomies' have brought so much laughter to the room.

It has been a magical hands-on experience, and we're incredibly proud of how gentle, curious, and responsible the children have been.



## Holly class



On Monday, we had a wonderful Writing Day inspired by the short animation *Anchored* by Lindsey Olivares. The children thoroughly enjoyed exploring the story of the lonely sailor and his unexpected friendship.

We began by watching and discussing the film, before sequencing the key events to build our understanding. A highlight of the day was our "hot seating" activity, where pupils took on the role of the sailor and answered questions in character, showing great empathy and imagination. The children then planned and wrote their own diary entries as the sailor, using ambitious adjectives to add detail and bring their writing to life. We were so impressed with their creativity and enthusiasm, well done everyone!

# From the Classroom...

## Oak class

Oak class have had fun exploring sound in their Science lessons. We made 5 different homemade ear defenders using a variety of materials, to find out which would make the best sound insulator. We enjoyed playing musical instruments for our partners whilst they wore the ear defenders. Next lesson we look forward to using a decibel meter in combination with some pop music to explore what happens to sound at different distances.



## Willow class



On Friday, Willow Class had a fantastic time during our Woodland School session. The children worked brilliantly together using natural materials from the woodland to build their own shelters.

Others created woodland cafés and restaurants!

Using sticks, leaves, and other treasures they found on the forest floor, the children designed imaginative menus and served up all kinds of woodland dishes.

It was wonderful to see the children using their creativity, teamwork and problem-solving skills while enjoying the outdoors. Willow Class showed great cooperation and enthusiasm throughout the session, and everyone had lots of fun exploring, building and playing in nature.

Well done, Willow Class!

# Spring Term Clubs



We have now completed our Spring block of clubs, and it's been wonderful to see so many children getting involved and trying new activities. Thank you for your continued support in helping them take part.

As we look ahead, please keep an eye on the newsletter over the coming weeks as we'll be sharing details of the exciting new clubs planned for the Summer term. There's lots to look forward to!

Club	Staff	Day	Year Group
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Spring term clubs are now finished. There are no clubs next week.

## Worcester Woodland Explorers

Parents and carers have been informed if their child has been allocated a place in our Woodland Explorers Club.

The club will begin on the first Monday back after the Easter holidays and will run for a four-week block.

As sessions take place outdoors, please ensure children come equipped with suitable clothing.

Wellies or old trainers are ideal, along with warm, waterproof layers that you don't mind getting a little muddy.

We're looking forward to lots of outdoor adventures.

**Forest School club**  
Led by Rachael & Sarah  
From Worcester Woodland Explorers

Children can enjoy and explore.....

- ★ Mud kitchen
- ★ Clay craft
- ★ Bush craft skills
- ★ Camp fire snacks
- ★ bug hunting
- ★ Exploring & handling tools
- ★ Nature crafts
- ★ Den building
- ★ Team building

★ 4 week block  
★ 3.15pm - 4.30pm

£4 PER SESSION

Monday 13 April to Monday 11 May

# Message from Reverend Gary

Dear All,

Just a gentle reminder that we are supporting Teams4U with their pop up Easter Egg donation for children in The Ukraine. To participate, please ensure that any chocolate Easter Eggs you can donate are in school before the 26<sup>th</sup> March.

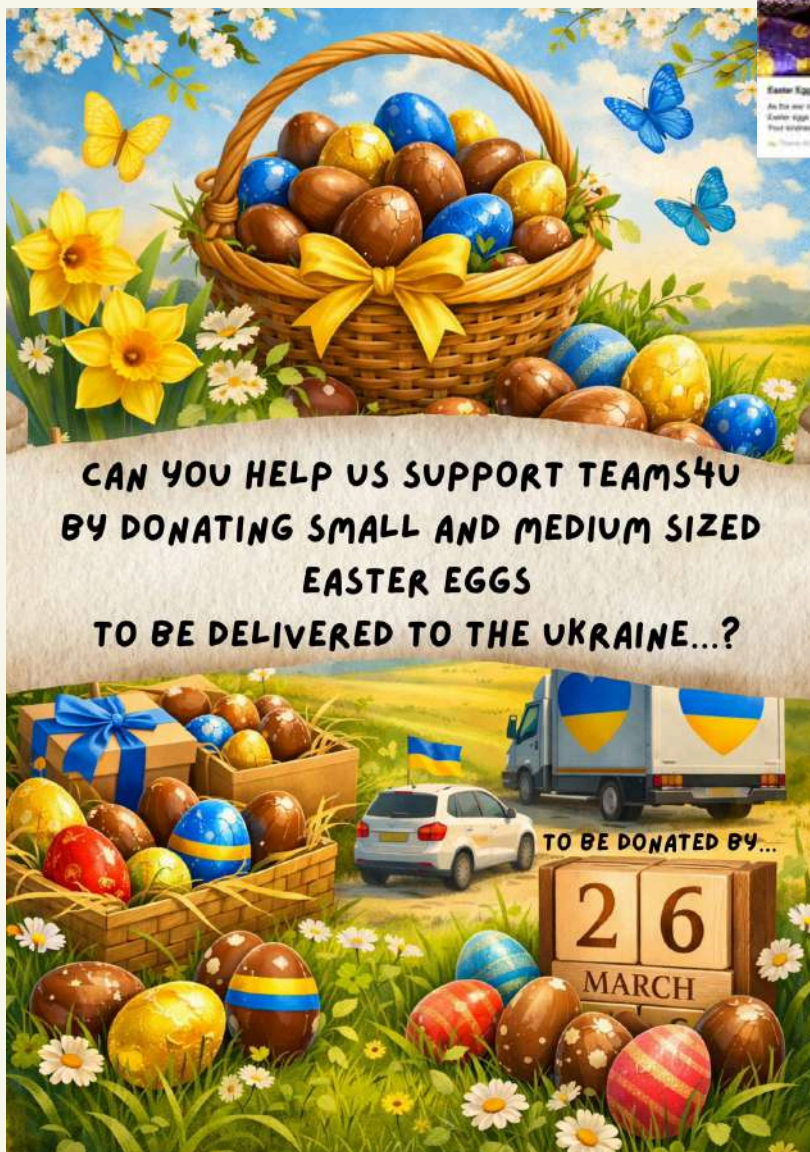
Any eggs collected will be taken to the Evesham T4U Warehouse to connect with the Lorry that is travelling onwards to Romania, entering The Ukraine for Easter.

Please consider donating to this cause this Lent. Small and medium sized eggs (90g) are preferred for packing. Alternatively, any cash donations received at The Vicarage (31 The Greenway WR2 4RZ) will be used to buy these types of eggs - as long as supplies hold out! It is getting close to Easter.

Any help will be appreciated. I have attached a weblink showing the aims for this cause.

With all good wishes

Gary



# Gold Book

Saplings Class Mrs Eggerton	<b>Dylan</b> for following our Golden Rules and joining in others play.
Ash Class Mrs Lindsey	<b>Ava</b> for a fabulous piece of independent work for our 'Anchored' writing day.
Holly Class Mrs Fuller	<b>Theodore</b> for never shying away from a challenge and embracing opportunities with enthusiasm and confidence. <b>Jackson</b> for always being so kind, positive and thoughtful.
Oak Class Mrs Widdrington & Mrs Scanlon	<b>Isla</b> for fantastic rhyming poetry writing! <b>Harry Wi</b> for his amazing vocabulary knowledge and always being willing to share it.
Willow Class Miss Brooks	<b>Amelia</b> for consistently working so hard and always challenging herself. <b>Harvey</b> for showing an excellent understanding of equivalent fractions and decimals.

Well done to all of our Gold book award achievers this week!



## Times table ROCKSTAR of the week

Well done to our Times Table Rockstar champions—  
keep practicing and boosting your speed!



Year 1	George
Year 2	Elijah
Year 3	Chloe
Year 4	Paddy
Year 5	Amelia
Year 6	Hattie

## Diary Dates



16 <sup>th</sup> March	Last week of clubs
20 <sup>th</sup> March	Crazy hair day (Easter egg donation)
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Netball Tournament (Team 2: Yr 5/6)
25 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Ash Class Parents Evenings
23 <sup>rd</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Holly Class Parents Evenings
24 <sup>th</sup> , 25 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Oak Class Parents Evenings
25 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Willow class Parents Evenings
26 <sup>th</sup> March	Height and Weight- Ash class
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Service- 9.10am
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Raffle
13 <sup>th</sup> April	Back to School
13 <sup>th</sup> April	Woodland Explorers club starts

Please see class dojo for further updates about calendar events.



**ClassDojo**

## Attendance

Whole School attendance last week:

**MOMENTS  
MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE  
COUNTS.**

# 95.3%



Ash Class	100%
Holly Class	89.5%
Oak Class	97%
Willow Class	97.8%

We noticed that attendance was lower than usual last week. A number of seasonal bugs have been circulating, and we hope everyone who's been unwell is now on the mend. As we move forward, please continue to send your children into school whenever they are well enough to attend. Every day in school really does make a difference to their learning and progress.

## Friends Association

Crazy Hair Day on Friday 20th March, to collect Easter Eggs for our Easter Egg Raffle on Friday 27th March. Please continue to send your raffle ticket money in to the school office to be in with a chance of winning!



### Contact us:

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Friday  
20<sup>th</sup>  
March



# Crazy Hair Day

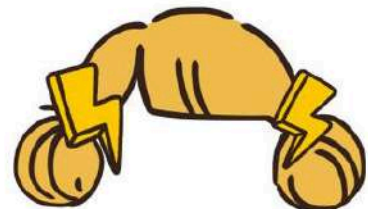
School  
Uniform



at CallowEnd Primary!  
Our yearly Crazy hair  
event is here, meaning the  
Children can come with  
their hair styled in a silly,  
wacky, or creative  
manner.



All we ask for in exchange are  
Chocolate Easter eggs for the  
Easter raffle hamper.



# Webinars Schedule

Can't attend live? Catch up with a recording available for two weeks following the event. This webinar is open to parents and carers in the Herefordshire and Worcestershire area with an extended invite to professionals. Webinars start 10am and run between 1.5 and 2 hours.

<p><b>JUN 17</b></p>	<p><b>Autism &amp; Anxiety</b></p> <p>What is Anxiety?, Autism &amp; Anxiety, the circle of Anxiety and managing Anxiety</p>	
<p><b>JUN 24</b></p>	<p><b>Autism &amp; Communication</b></p> <p>What is communication, Autism &amp; communication differences and strategies that may help</p>	
<p><b>JUL 1</b></p>	<p><b>Autism &amp; Sensory differences</b></p> <p>addressing sensory differences, and useful resources</p>	
<p><b>JUL 8</b></p>	<p><b>Autism and Behaviour</b></p> <p>analyse behaviour and develop emotional understanding</p>	
<p><b>JUL 15</b></p>	<p><b>Navigating the system</b></p> <p>education, disclosure and benefits</p>	
<p><b>JUL 22</b></p>	<p><b>Autism and the Teenage Brain</b></p> <p>How the brain changes, how growing up and Autism interact, how to support your teen and useful resources</p>	
<p><b>JUL 29</b></p>	<p><b>Supporting your Autistic Teen</b></p>	

For more information or to book a place:

Email - [herefandworcs@autismwestmidlands.org.uk](mailto:herefandworcs@autismwestmidlands.org.uk)

Scan the above QR codes or visit the Autism West Midlands Events page on our website to sign up.

# Community Links



# GIRLS CRICKET

## HARDBALL AND SOFTBALL

Join the first-ever dedicated  
Girls Team at Worcester  
Nomads.

What do you get?

- Free playing shirt
- Team kit bag
- Free training
- Reduced Junior  
Membership
- Qualified  
coaches

*help design the kit*




**Free training session - all abilities**  
**Sunday 22nd March**  
**10:30am-12noon**

**SECURE HER SPOT**

Email: [womenandgirls.wncc@gmail.com](mailto:womenandgirls.wncc@gmail.com)

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