



**SPRING TERM 2:  
WB- 23<sup>RD</sup> MARCH 2026**

# NEWSLETTER

**CALLOW END CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Building a foundation for Love and Learning

## HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

We enjoyed a truly lovely Easter service this morning. The children performed beautifully and we are very proud of them. Thank you to all parents and families for your continued support.

It has been a busy half term, filled with many wonderful experiences for the children. It has been a pleasure to see their enthusiasm and engagement across so many areas of school life.

This afternoon, the Easter raffle will take place at 3.20pm on the playground. Please do bring some spare change as doughnuts will also be available from the PFA.

Wishing you all a wonderful and restful Easter.

Miss Curtis



**EASTER SERVICE**

**FROM THE  
CLASSROOM**

**TTRS COMPETITION**

# Easter service

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us for our Easter service. It was truly wonderful to see so many grown-ups coming together to support our school community.

I'm sure you will agree that the children were absolutely amazing. Their confidence, enthusiasm and pride shone through in every part of the service, and they should all feel incredibly proud of what they achieved.

Ash Class delighted us with their beautiful rendition of Spring Chicken, singing with great energy and joy. Holly Class impressed everyone with their thoughtful and expressive performance using Makaton, Oak Class delivered a fantastic acrostic poem with confidence and clarity, showcasing their creativity and teamwork and Willow Class sang beautifully, bringing a sense of calm and reflection to the service.

Every class played an important role, and it was clear how much effort the children had put into preparing. Their hard work truly paid off, and they represented the school brilliantly.

Thank you once again for your continued support. Events like these are made even more special when we can share them with our families, and we are so grateful to have such a supportive school community.



# From the Classroom...

We were delighted to host a Whole School Cricket Engagement Day, providing every class with the opportunity to participate in a high-quality coaching session delivered by a representative from the Worcestershire Cricket Foundation. The coach brought a wealth of expertise, enabling pupils to refine their existing cricket skills and develop new techniques in a supportive and structured environment. Throughout the day, pupils engaged in a range of activities designed to promote teamwork, coordination, and confidence.

In addition to the practical sessions, pupils learned about the wide variety of cricket opportunities available within our local community. The Worcestershire Cricket Foundation shared information about clubs, programmes, and pathways that can help young people continue to enjoy and progress within the sport.

The day was a great success, and we extend our thanks to the Worcestershire Cricket Foundation for their valuable contribution to our school's sporting provision.



## Saplings class

This week in Saplings, we've been diving into all things Easter, a joyful and meaningful time of year that many families look forward to. The children have explored the story of Easter, learning why it holds such importance for Christians. We talked about how Easter celebrates hope, new life, love, kindness, and fresh beginnings.

We also spent time thinking about how people celebrate Easter in their own homes. The children shared lovely ideas, from decorating eggs to going on egg hunts in the garden. We discussed how these traditions, whether religious or simply fun and seasonal, bring families together and help create special memories.

It's been a bright, creative week full of curiosity, colour, and conversation, and the children have really enjoyed exploring what Easter means to different people.



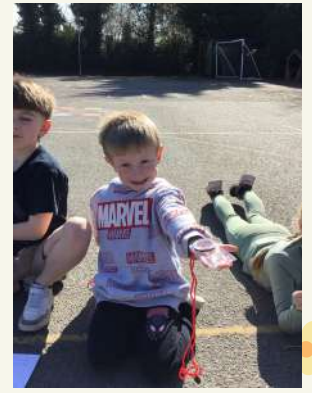
# From the Classroom...

## Ash class

Ash Class have also been enjoying the Easter season by developing their fine motor and early sewing skills through a creative threading activity. The children used wooden egg shapes and wool to design and complete their own patterned creations, carefully weaving and threading to build control and precision. The children approached the task with great concentration and took real pride in their finished Easter-themed pieces.



## Holly class



Our Geography Day was a fantastic opportunity for pupils to explore the question: What is the weather like in the UK? We began by learning about the four countries of the United Kingdom and their capital cities, using atlases to help us locate them. The children then applied their knowledge by labelling their own maps.

Next, we focused on understanding weather forecasts. Pupils learnt to recognise common weather symbols and discussed what they mean. We then investigated whether the weather is the same everywhere in the UK. The children examined different forecasts and recorded their findings, discovering how weather can vary across regions.

To finish the day, we explored compass directions. Using our own compasses in the playground, pupils identified what they could see to the north, east, south and west. It was a fun and engaging way to build geographical skills while learning more about the world around us.

# From the Classroom...

## Oak class

Oak class have continued having fun exploring sound in Science. We experimented with a decibel meter reader to see what happened when we played sounds at different distances from the meter. We carefully recorded the distance using a tape measure, increasing it by 1m each time. We made predictions, recorded our results in a table and next lesson we will plot these findings on a line graph.



## Willow class



Willow Class had a very special trip to our local church this week as part of our RE learning. We were warmly welcomed by Reverend Gary, who helped us learn all about Holy Communion and why it is important to Christians.

During our visit, the children had the opportunity to take part in a simple version of communion at the altar. Rev Gary carefully explained each part so everyone could understand what happens and what it means. The class showed great respect and curiosity throughout.

We also re-enacted the Last Supper, which helped us to understand the story in a more interactive way. The children took on different roles and really brought the story to life!

As well as this, we spent time quietly praying and reflecting in the church, which was a calm and thoughtful experience for everyone.

It was a wonderful trip, and Willow Class represented the school beautifully with their excellent behaviour and enthusiasm. Well done, Willow Class!

# Spring Term Clubs

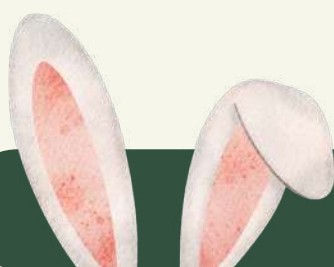


We have now completed our Spring block of clubs, and it's been wonderful to see so many children getting involved and trying new activities. Thank you for your continued support in helping them take part.

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.



## Easter competition



Our After School Club children have been busy getting creative this spring. They recently took part in a special Easter egg design competition for the residents of Elgar Court Care Home. Each child decorated a colourful, imaginative egg, and the finished designs were turned into cheerful bunting to brighten the communal spaces at the home.

The residents were delighted by the vibrant artwork, and staff shared how much joy the children's creations brought to their hallways. It was a lovely opportunity for our pupils to connect with the local community and share a little Easter happiness.

# Times table ROCKSTAR competition



Over the Easter holidays, we're excited to be running a special Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) competition for all KS2 pupils! This is a fantastic opportunity for children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 to practise their times tables, build confidence, and have fun while learning.

There will be a prize awarded to the best-performing year group, so teamwork and consistent effort will really make a difference. In addition, certificates will be given out, and each team will also have a special prize for the individual who contributed the most to their team's success.

We encourage all KS2 pupils to take part regularly over the holidays to help their team climb the leaderboard. Whether it's a few minutes a day or longer practice sessions, every correct answer counts!

For tips and ideas on how to boost your scores, please follow the link below.

Good luck to everyone taking part, we can't wait to see the results!

## 3 Top Tips For Battle Of The Bands

# Times table ROCKSTAR of the week

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

Year 1	Murphy
Year 2	No one from this year group has been on TTRS this week
Year 3	Finley
Year 4	Amelia R
Year 5	Amelia J
Year 6	No one from this year group has been on TTRS this week

## Diary Dates



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
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.



## Attendance

Whole School attendance last week:

**MOMENTS  
MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE  
COUNTS.**

# 95.4%

Ash Class	94.6%
Holly Class	91%
Oak Class	95%
Willow Class	100%



Well done to everyone for the improved attendance last week! It has been great to see so many children in school, ready to learn. Thank you to parents and carers for your continued support, let's keep it up!

## Friends Association

Don't forget—our Easter Raffle will be taking place after school today, and we've got seven fantastic hampers ready to be won. Tickets will be available right up until the draw, so there's still time to take part. Thank you for supporting our fundraising efforts and good luck to everyone entering. We can't wait to share the excitement of the draw later this afternoon!



## Contact us:

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# Community Links

We are offering some holiday activities for families again at the Tudor House Museum over the Easter break - this time our theme is 'The history of chocolate', with chocolate tasting, an egg hunt and chocolate egg prizes for children taking part. There's no need to book, they are just drop in activities for anyone who would like to join in.



 **TUDOR HOUSE MUSEUM**  
— WORCESTER — 

## Easter Holiday Chocolate Fun!

Come and visit us to learn all about the history of chocolate this Easter! Can you complete the sensory challenge to identify different chocolate flavours through the ages?

**Easter Egg Hunt!**  
Find 10 colourful eggs hidden around the museum. Collect the clues and claim your own chocolate egg prize!

 **Easter Egg Hunt**



Plenty of family friendly fun activities, suitable for all ages.  
Drop in to join in anytime between 11am and 3pm on these days:  
**Thursday 2nd April, Friday 3rd April, Saturday 4th April**  
**Thursday 9th April, Friday 10th April, Saturday 11th April**  
Suggested donation in support of the museum: £2.00

**Find us on  
Friar  
Street in  
Worcester  
City  
Centre.**

# Community Links



The Hive has a fantastic line-up of Easter holiday activities for families. Children can enjoy creative craft sessions, story-times and drop-in workshops with local artists. It's a great chance to get involved and make the most of this vibrant community space over the break.

## EASTER EVENTS

28TH MARCH - 12TH APRIL

**Lego® Club:**  
Every Saturday, 10:00 - 11:30am (Free & drop-in)

**Rat-a-tat Tales:**  
Every Saturday & Sunday, 11am & 3pm (Free & drop-in)

**Stay & Play Dad's Group:**  
Saturday 28th March, 10:30am - 12:00pm (Free & drop-in)

**Little Sprouts:**  
Sunday 29th March, 1:30 - 2:30pm (Bookable: Tickets are £1.50)

**Jigsaw Club:**  
Sunday 29th March & Sunday 12th April, 10am - 12pm (Free & drop-in)

**Make & Take Easter Animal Puppets:**  
Monday 30th March, 10 - 11am & 11am - 12pm (Bookable: Tickets are £1)

**Earth Day:**  
Tuesday 31st March

**Wacky Wednesday:**  
Every Wednesday, 13:30 - 3:00pm (Free & drop-in)

**Family Film:**  
Wednesday 1st April & 8<sup>th</sup> April, 10am - 12pm & 1 - 3pm (Free & drop-in)

**Junk Modelling:**  
Thursday 2nd April & 9th April, 10am - 12pm (Free & drop-in)

**Story Carousel:**  
Thursday 2nd April & 9th April, 2 - 3pm (Free & drop-in)

**STEM Club:**  
Sunday 12th April, 1:30 - 2:30pm (Bookable: Free)

Easter Events

**The Hive**  
a partnership between

UNIVERSITY OF WORCESTER | WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

# Community Links



## Football Training & Tournament

8<sup>th</sup> April @ Moseley School  
12-14 Year Olds

Bring it on Brum  
The FA  
LOVES FOOTBALL  
LOVES SPORT CIC



**Register** ↴  
0121 405 1612 (James)  
[www.lovesfootball.com/camps](http://www.lovesfootball.com/camps)  
DBS ✓ First Aid ✓ Insured ✓ FA/UEFA Qualified ✓  
190+ ★★★★★ Google / Trustpilot / Facebook

## Football & Multisports Easter Camp

Bring it on Brum  
The FA  
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**Details** ↴  
7-10<sup>th</sup> April  
ages 6-12 years  
all abilities are welcome  
limited spaces available  
free and paid spaces available

**Register your child** ↴  
[www.lovesfootball.com/camps](http://www.lovesfootball.com/camps)  
0121 405 1612 (James)  
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