



**SUMMER TERM 1:
WB- 20TH APRIL 2026**

NEWSLETTER

CALLOW END CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Building a foundation for Love and Learning

HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a fantastic week in school, and I would like to thank all of our children for their superb effort. We have seen a real focus on both Times Tables Rock Stars and Spelling Shed, and it is already having a noticeable impact in lessons, particularly in the children's confidence and willingness to contribute. This is wonderful to see and a testament to their hard work.

We are also delighted to share some exciting news. We have secured Worcester Woodland Explorers for the next academic year. This will enable us to offer additional clubs, as well as afternoon sessions across the year for all classes, enriching our curriculum and providing valuable outdoor learning experiences.

In addition, we have booked a two-day whole-school Woodland School Experience for September. This will be a fantastic opportunity for children to bond with their new classes, build relationships, and further develop their outdoor learning skills at the very start of the year.

Finally, I would like to reassure parents that our wraparound provision, currently delivered by Empower, is in the process of being transferred to a new provider. The new company is currently awaiting Ofsted approval. I have had several discussions with the new director, and he has assured me that the provision will continue with the same familiar staff, ensuring consistency and stability for the children. I will update you as soon as I have further information.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Warm regards,
Miss Curtis



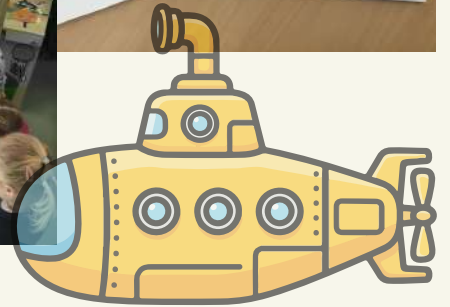
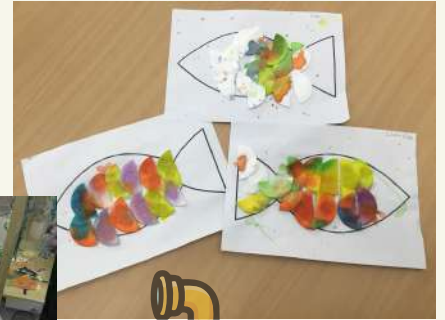
**FROM THE
CLASSROOM**

CELEBRATIONS

From the Classroom...

Saplings class

Our Sapling children have had another fantastic week diving deeper into their “Under the Sea” theme. From exploring the curious making of pipette fish to creating imaginative submarines. The children have especially enjoyed sharing and listening to stories of the sea, sparking wonderful discussions and inspiring their own storytelling.



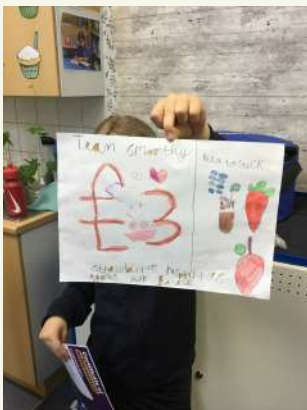
Holly class



On Tuesday, Holly Class took part in an exciting money workshop as part of our maths learning. We were joined by a visitor from NatWest, who led the “Smoothie Shop” workshop through their NatWest Thrive programme.

The children worked in pairs as mini entrepreneurs, setting up their own smoothie businesses and learning about spending, saving and budgeting. They created eye-catching posters to promote their shops, and some even came up with catchy jingles!

It was fantastic to see such creativity and teamwork, well done Holly Class!



From the Classroom...

Oak Class

Oak Class took advantage of the beautiful weather this week and read our book, *The Last Bear* by Hannah Gold, outside in the sensory garden. We are using the book as the basis for our writing over the next few weeks. *The Last Bear* is set on a real island called Bear Island in the Arctic Circle. It has been really interesting to research the landscape, climate and wildlife of the area to help us with our writing. The book has already sparked great curiosity and is helping bring depth and detail to our writing.



Willow class

Willow Class have been thoroughly enjoying their learning about World War Two this term. The children have shown great curiosity and enthusiasm as they explore what life was like during this important period in history.

On Tuesday, the class listened carefully to oral histories about the Battle of Britain. They reflected thoughtfully on the experiences of the soldiers and began to understand the challenges and emotions faced during wartime. It sparked some meaningful discussions and helped bring history to life in a powerful way.

The learning hasn't stopped there, Willow Class have been expressing their understanding in a variety of creative ways. From writing pieces inspired by wartime experiences to even dancing to represent aspects of the era, the children have embraced the topic with energy and imagination.

They have also been asking some fantastic and thoughtful questions about what everyday life was like during the war, showing a deepening interest and empathy for people living at that time.

If any families have stories, photographs, or artefacts from relatives who experienced World War Two, we would love for you to share them with us. These real-life connections make our learning even more special and meaningful.



Friends Association

Many thanks to everyone's support last term with crazy hair day, the children looked fab! Our Easter Egg raffle and ring donut sale raised £312

We hope the children and adults enjoyed the chocolate.



What a fantastic effort everybody went to with their crazy hair styles! Well done to Hattie for winning a chocolate treat for having the craziest hair!



Preloved Uniform - only £1 per item

We have a number of uniform sizes, e.g we currently have 18 polo tops aged 5 and 24 jumpers aged 7. The office has a list of our current stock numbers. If you would like any please go to the office or email us on friendsofallowendschool@gmail.com

If you have any older sizes aged 8 -11, please can you donate them and bring them to the school office.

Thanks for your continued support.

Summer Term Clubs



A little reminder to keep an eye on the newsletter each week for the latest club updates, as different clubs are starting at different times this term.

Woodland School is already in full swing, Multiskills and reading club kicked off this week with a great start. Next week we'll be adding Rounders and our Julia Donaldson club to the timetable.

Looking ahead, Basketball will begin in Summer 2, so watch out for sign-up details coming soon.

Lots to look forward to this term!

| Club | Staff | Day | Year Group | Cost per week | Time |
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| Woodland Explorers | Rachael and Sarah | Monday | Years 1-6 | £4 | 3:20pm-4:30pm |
| Reading club | Staff | Lunchtime | Years 1-6 | £0 | 12:30pm-1:15pm |
| Multiskills | Mr Shakles | Tuesday | Years 2-6 | £0 | 3:20pm-4:00pm |
| Julia Donaldson | Mrs Fuller | Tuesday | Years 1-3 | £0 | 3:20pm-4:00pm |
| Rounders | Mrs Scanlon | Friday | Years 4-6 | £0 | 3:20pm-4:00pm |
| Basketball | Worcester Wolves | Thursday | Years 3-6 | £3.50 | 3.20pm-4:20pm |

Dates of clubs:

- Woodland Explorers- 4 week block - 13th Apr, 20th Apr, 27th Apr, 11th May
- Multiskills- Starts 21st Apr until 14th July
- Julia Donaldson- 8 week block- Starts 28th Apr until 23rd June
- Rounders- 8 Week block- Starts 1st May until 26th June
- Basketball- 6 week block- 11th June, 18th June, 25th June, 2nd July, 9th July, 16th July

Gold Book awards

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| <p>Saplings Class Mrs Eggerton</p> | <p>Paige for always being a good friend.</p> |
| <p>Ash Class Mrs Lindsey</p> | <p>Henry for a being a great new addition to Ash class and settling in beautifully!</p> |
| <p>Holly Class Mrs Fuller</p> | <p>Jenson for showing great progress in listening carefully and challenging himself in English. Eli for writing some super sentences about his new guinea pigs.</p> |
| <p>Oak Class Mrs Widdrington & Mrs Scanlon</p> | <p>Bailey for fantastic focus in Maths. Zellie for superb descriptive phrases in English.</p> |
| <p>Willow Class Miss Brooks</p> | <p>Poppy for working so hard to improve her presentation. Iris for fantastic effort in Science- she conducted a fair test wonderfully!</p> |

Times table ROCKSTAR weekly stars



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| Year 1 | Theodore |
| Year 2 | Jackson |
| Year 3 | Adeline |
| Year 4 | Bertie |
| Year 5 | Francesca |
| Year 6 | Layla |



Diary Dates



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| 27 th April | Willow class Mandir trip |
| 27 th April | Woodland Explorers club week 3 |
| 4 th May | Bank Holiday |
| 8 th May | Dr Kate- Wellbeing workshop |
| 11 th May | SAT's Week |
| 11 th May | Woodland Explorers club week 4 |
| 14 th May | EYFS trip to Bennetts Farm |
| 19 th May | Bell boating- willow class |
| 25 th May | Half Term |

Please see class dojo for further updates about calendar events.




Attendance

Whole School attendance last week:

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

96.3%

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| Ash Class | 98.6% |
| Holly Class | 100%  |
| Oak Class | 98.7% |
| Willow Class | 92% |

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!

Screen time

We'd like to encourage all parents and carers to take a moment to follow the link below to the new government guidance, which shares helpful advice on screen time for children under five. It offers clear, practical guidance on healthy habits and how to support young children in developing a balanced relationship with technology. Please do have a read and chat with your child about their screen use at home, small conversations can make a big difference.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-screen-time-guidance-for-parents-of-under-5s>

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Community Links

SENDIASS Connects Family Hubs

The SEND Information, Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS) have teamed up with Worcestershire Best Start Family Hubs to deliver their brand-new training workshop at community venues across Worcestershire.

Supporting your child to cope with change and the transition to school is a 2-part workshop aimed at parents/carers of children 0-5 due to start school in the next few years.

The first session will focus on supporting children to cope with small everyday changes like moving from one task to another. The second session will focus on preparing your child for starting school. You can expect practical guidance, tips and resources to support your child through change.

Kidderminster - Brookside Family Hub, 21st and 28th April 10am-12pm

Redditch - Holly Trees Family Hub, 7th and 14th May 10am-12pm

Droitwich - WANDS Family Hub, 11th and 18th June 10am-12pm

Find out more and book your free space here: [SENDIASS training at Worcestershire Family Hubs](#)
[Download SENDIASS Connects Family Hub poster](#)

Free emotional health and wellbeing support for families



We're pleased to share a valuable resource to support families with the ups and downs of growing up.

TogetherNESS, the NHS emotional health digital learning hub, offers free access to expert advice on childhood development, wellbeing, brain changes and more.

It's a great way to better understand your child and support them to thrive.

Take a look at the TogetherNESS Parent Wellbeing Newsletter for a helpful overview of what's available.

[TogetherNESS Parent Wellbeing Newsletter](#)

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All Stars Cricket provides a fantastic first experience for all children aged between 5-8 years old. They will have 8 weeks of jam-packed fun, activity and skills!

Dynamos Cricket provides a perfect introduction to Cricket for all 8-11 year olds! Dynamos is all about fun and provides children with a more social offer, focusing on the skills to play the game.

Find your nearest All Stars & Dynamos programme using the link below!



<https://ecb.clubspark.uk/AllStars/Search>

