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## Weekly Newsletter: wb 10<sup>th</sup> February 2025



*We're in the last week of the half-term already - I can't believe it has gone so fast! This has been a strange few weeks for everyone but the community has really pulled together and the children have been fantastic - we are so proud of each and every one of them. Reminder: we break up on Friday (at normal time) and return to school on Monday the 24<sup>th</sup> February. Happy Valentine's Day to all who celebrate!*

### School Milk for Spring 2 (24<sup>th</sup> February – 24<sup>th</sup> March)

- School milk for the **second half of the SPRING TERM 2025** (24<sup>th</sup> February – 24<sup>th</sup> March) will be £6 in total. If you would like your child to have this, please go to the offer on sQuid.
- If your child has Means Tested Free School Meals, this is free of charge but still needs to be ordered through the appropriate offer on sQuid.
- Children under 5 years old (ASH) receive free school milk, but this also needs to be ordered; it will not be done automatically. Please look for the appropriate sQuid offers to order (you can ignore this if your child is in Nursery because milk has already been ordered).
- **PLEASE PLACE ORDERS BY TUESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2025.**

### School dinners, sQuid and holiday food

- If you pay for your child's lunches at school, can we please request that you keep on top of the cost and ensure any **balances are cleared ASAP**? We do try to remind individual parents about this but it is ultimately your responsibility... If balances are not cleared; we may not be able to provide additional lunches for your child in the future.
- Linked to this, we have been informed that **sQuid** will no longer be providing services to schools soon. With this in mind, the Trust are looking into alternative providers and we will communicate any changes with you as soon as possible. We are hoping for a seamless transition to the new company and we will hopefully iron out some of the difficulties that people have experienced with the system. Thank you for your patience in this matter!
- Meanwhile, Sheffield City Council have once again confirmed that they will be providing **food vouchers** for families on free school meals during half-term. These will be distributed in the usual way and codes should be with you at some point this week. If you are expecting one and don't receive it, please let us know on Thursday or Friday.
- We all like a treat from time to time but eating out can be expensive. A huge number of pubs, restaurants and cafes (from Asda to Zizzi) have recognised this and will be providing **special offers for ALL families during half-term**. See list sent alongside this newsletter (note: any of these offers could change at any time – so please check before booking / ordering!).

### Football

- SWFC are once again a **Soccer Camp** during half-term. This is for boys and girls aged 5 to 14 and runs all week, costing £20 per day (10am – 4pm) or £80 for the week. To book a place (or for more information), go to [www.swfccp.co.uk/soccercamp](http://www.swfccp.co.uk/soccercamp)
- Still on the theme of football, Wisewood Juniors will be running '**Little Lionesses**' sessions for girls only; every other Wednesday, starting 12<sup>th</sup> March (5-6pm, £5 per session). Contact Nik Travis on 07590587969 to book a place.

*Mr Gaughan*

*Nurturing confidence, nurturing potential, nurturing success.*



## Celebrating Achievement



Well done to the following children:

- ★ **Bronze:** Matilda (Ash); Esme, Orla (Oak)
- ★ **Silver:** Arnie-Grey, Mila, Kyle (Ash); William (Willow); Jake, Gray (Rowan); Leo (Sycamore)
- ★ **Gold:** Fearne, Sonia (Willow); Dakota, Theo (Rowan); Charlie M, Oscar B (Sycamore); Braxton (Oak)
- ★ **Nursery Stars of the Week:** Amara & Dante (Seedlings); Henry E & Annabelle (Saplings)
- ★ **Attendance winners:** Attendance was a respectable 95.7% last week. The winning classes were Willow (KS1) with 96.6% & Oak (KS2) with 97.8%.
- ★ **House Point winners:** In a VERY close race, Americas took the title last week - their first since before Christmas!

This week's 'School Standard' is: Staying Safe Online

(It is 'Safer Internet Day' on Tuesday!)



This week's birthdays: None!

Birthdays during the holiday: Amara (4) & Maddie B (7)

## What's Happening?

Little Seedlings & Saplings will be learning the sound 'k' this week.

Ash did a litter pick around the school grounds to make them a safer place for local wildlife; concluding their forest schools topic on the environment.

Willow have been writing letters to a friendly alien!

KS1 children in The Learning Zone are making dancing giraffes to go with their story: 'Giraffes Can't Dance!'

Rowan received an unexpected delivery of a dragon egg this week. They now need to write their own chapters in order to help it hatch!

Sycamore will be learning about the famous designer William Morris.

Parents in Oak are invited to a meeting on Thursday evening to learn all about SATs and our residential trip to Thornbridge. Please come if you can!

Meanwhile, every class is going to have a go at Taekwondo in a special one-off session this week. KS2 children who enjoy it can still sign up for next half-term's after-school club!

