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Weekly Newsletter: wb 22nd September 2025

Autumn Fair / Nursery Open Day

Our Autumn Fair is this Saturday from 12 – 3pm. Thank you to FoWSS for all the time and effort you have put into organising this - it is going to be a fantastic day!

We will be starting the fun with the **official opening** of our new Nursery building (did you know it is 50 years since the school first opened on this site?). This is your opportunity to take a look inside and find out what we're all about (see flyer, right). Please tell your friends!

Scholastic Book Fair

We also have a **Scholastic Book Fair** in school this week. A huge selection of brand-new books will be delivered to school on Tuesday 23rd September and will be available to purchase before and after school each day until their collection on Tuesday 30th September. Approximately 20% of the books are £5 and under and there are many ways to pay... This is a great way to pick up some (very) early Christmas presents – and it helps the school (we get a small % of the overall takings to spend on books for the library).

Secondary school open days

If your child is in Y6, you will need to apply for their secondary school very soon! If you are unsure where to send them, I would definitely recommend attending their open days... **Bradfield**'s is on the 24th September (4 – 7pm), Stocksbridge's is on the 25th September (3:15 – 7pm) and Forge Valley's is also on the 25^{th} Sept (4 - 7pm).

Nuts & berries!

- Could we please remind parents that we are a **NUT-FREE** school? We have a number of pupils and staff with severe nut allergies so please do not send your child to school with any items containing nuts (this includes chocolate spread sandwiches - which usually contain hazelnuts!).
- Meanwhile, we have been alerted to the fact that some children have been eating berries from the bushes by the community centre. We believe these berries are dogwood berries - they are not poisonous but may cause upset tummies (so I wouldn't recommend eating them!).

Sheffield Schools' Cross Country competition

If your child is in KS2 and would like to represent us in this year's Sheffield Schools' Cross Country competition, take a look at the information sent out on ReachMore or speak to Mr Gaughan.

Premier League trading cards competition (KS2)

Does your child collect the Topps Premier League trading cards? If so, they may be interested in a competition we are running... Design your own card for the chance to win hospitality tickets to a Premier League game, a visit from the real Premier League trophy and £100 worth of cards. Everyone who enters will receive a free pack (while stocks last) courtesy of Jazzy Media UK (entry forms available from your child's teacher). Good luck!

Mr Gaughan









Celebrating Achievement

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Well done to the following children:

- ★ Bronze: Mila, Ada, Henry A, William M (Ash); Felicity, Macie, Alfie J (Willow); Molly, Cooper (Rowan); Harriet, Ruby, Dakota (Sycamore); Lexi G, Lily K (Oak).
- ★ Silver: Our first silver award winner of the year is Hugo (Oak).
- ★ Nursery Stars of the Week: Giovanni & Hudson (Seedlings); Ollie & Elena (Saplings)
- *Attendance winners: Attendance was a disappointing 94.4% last week. The winning classes were Ash (KS1) with 95.0% and Sycamore (KS2) with 97.3%.
- House Point winners: Europe narrowly beat previous winners Americas to claim their first win of the new school year.
- Well done to all the Y6 children who completed their 'Bikeability' cycling proficiency course. The instructors were very impressed with your attitude and enthusiasm.



This week's birthdays: Leo H (4), Brody & Poppy (10),

This week's 'School Standard' is:

Be kind

What's Happening?

Little Seedlings are using finger rhymes to help them learn their numbers.

Saplings will be making 'boggarts' during their Forest Schools sessions.

Ash will be starting their new focus book: the award-winning 'Penguin' by Polly Dunbar.

Willow are starting their new story in English: 'The Runaway Iceberg' KS1 children in The Learning Zone are writing the story of The Three Little Pigs. Rowan have been learning about the importance of the River Nile to Ancient Egyptians.

Sycamore will be doing non-fiction writing about a day in the life of a Roman soldier.

Oak have been learning all about conflict resolution in their 'peer mediation' lessons with Mr Gaughan.













