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## Weekly Newsletter: wb 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2026

*So it is the last week before we break up for Easter – this term has really flown! We do have a packed few days ahead of us though. Reminder: we break up at normal time on Friday and return on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April. If I don't see you this week, have a lovely Easter!*

### Easter competitions

As per the letter that was sent out last week, we will once again be hosting our traditional Easter competitions:

- **Decorated Eggs** can be brought in from Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March to Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March. The base should be no bigger than a sheet of A4 paper and should be clearly marked with the child's name on the bottom / back.
- **Egg Rolling** will take place at 1:30pm on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March (NOT Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> as originally advertised). If children want to take part, they should bring a hard-boiled egg marked with their name. Parents / carers are invited to come and watch (and have a go themselves if they wish!)
- Winners of both competitions will be announced in our special **assembly** straight after Egg Rolling (parents / carers are welcome to stay for this too).

If you have any questions about either competition, please do not hesitate to get in touch!

### Rainbow Raffle

Thank you to FoWSS for organising our 'Rainbow Raffle' (and thanks to all who made a donation – the hampers look amazing!). If you would like to be in with a chance of winning a hamper, buy your tickets as per the instructions that were sent out on Friday. The draw will be made during the assembly mentioned above (don't worry if you can't make it – winners will be contacted afterwards).

### Vaccinations

Following recent cases of **invasive meningococcal disease** (Meningitis) reported in Kent, the director of Public Health for Sheffield has asked us remind parents / carers about the importance of ensuring you are up-to-date with your vaccinations. Please see attached letter for more information.

### Rocksteady Performance

Children who have been working with **Rocksteady** are looking forward to performing for parents / carers on Tuesday at 10am (you should've received a separate invite for this direct from Rocksteady). We will reserve 2 seats for every child – please let us know if you require more than this (so we know how many chairs to get out!).

### Items for sale

- Reminder: **School Council** will be selling a variety of brightly-coloured zippers, sturdy reflectors and more on Monday – Wednesday this week (prices ranging from 50p to £2, cash only). Profits go back into school to fund other projects in the future...
- Meanwhile, **Holly, Iris, Celeste and Evie** (Sycamore Class) have their own Enterprise project and will also be selling some home-made items on Monday morning.

### Small request

Ash Class would be very grateful for any donations of suitable games, jigsaws, role-play toys or garden games you may have but no longer need (please ensure all pieces are included!). Thank you in advance!

*Mr Gaughan*

*Nurturing confidence, nurturing potential, nurturing success.*



## Celebrating Achievement



Well done to the following children:

- ★ **Bronze:** Anastasiia, Mila (Ash); Kwontay, Hugo (Oak)
- ★ **Silver:** Sienna B, Harvey (Willow); Theo R (Sycamore)
- ★ **Gold:** Theo R (Ash); Oscar SF, Mazikeen, Maddie P, Erin (Rowan); Billy, Penny (Sycamore); Lily (Oak)
- ★ **Nursery Stars of the Week:** Chance & Kaiden (Seedlings); Dolly & Lucas (Saplings)
- ★ **Attendance winners:** Attendance was a disappointing 92.0% overall last week. This is reflected in the fact that the winning classes were Willow (KS1) with 91.9% and Rowan (KS2) with 94.2%.
- ★ **House Point winners:** Oceania won for the second week in a row
- ★ Well done to the winners of our 'Get Seen' colouring competition: Matilda (Ash), Felicity (Willow), Astrid (Rowan), Harriet (Sycamore) & Lily (Oak). Thank you to the School Council for organising and (very fairly) judging this (prizes were given out in assembly on Friday).

This week's 'School Standard' is: Be reflective



This week's birthdays: Molly (8), Thomas P (8)

Birthdays during the Easter break: Teddy (6), Grace (3), Max (10), Henry B (9)

## What's Happening?

It may be the last week but there is plenty happening...

Little Seedlings & Saplings are hosting an 'Easter Stay & Make' this week. Please join us if you can!

Ash have enjoyed watching their mini-beanstalks grow. This week they will be measuring them and bringing them home. Meanwhile, thank you to all the parents / carers who came to last week's 'Communication & Language Workshop' - we hope you enjoyed it!

Willow are retelling the Easter story and learning about the significance of eggs / hot cross buns.

KS2 children from The Learning Zone will this week be competing in the Table Cricket regional finals at Headingley. They last qualified for this in 2020 but it was cancelled due to the pandemic... We've been trying to get back ever since! Good luck Zoners!

Rowan have been learning how fossils are formed.

Sycamore are learning how to play 'The Hokey Cokey' in their violin lessons.

Oak have been learning about the Greek myth of Pandora's Box. Meanwhile, the Y6s have now been given their SATs revision books. These need to be brought in each Wednesday please. Also, Y5s from both classes will this week be going to Bradfield to watch a Performing Arts Showcase event on Thursday.

Finally, children in KS2 have been completing their end-of-term assessments to help teachers measure progress and plan next steps.