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## Weekly Newsletter: wb 9<sup>th</sup> February 2026

### Dr Bike

Reminder: Dr Bike is in school on Thursday this week. Children can bring their bikes to school to get a FREE safety check (see attached letter for more information). To allow us to plan timings etc, please respond to the link sent via ReachMore to indicate whether or not your child will be bringing their bike (or let us know in the office). Thank you!  
P.S. The 'Learn to Ride' session is still happening on the 9<sup>th</sup> March (a similar link will be sent out closer to the time).

### Reception height, weight and hearing tests

The school nursing team will be visiting school on Tuesday to complete height, weight and hearing checks for Reception-aged children. You should have received information about this in the Autumn term. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

### Water Safety

South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue would like to bring to your attention the dangers of young people playing on frozen water as well as entering icy open water. See attached letter for more information.

### Things to do

- The latest 'Kids Love Yoga' newsletter (themed 'Connection') is available now (sent alongside this newsletter)
- SWFC's Community Programme are running a Dance Camp (in partnership with City Limits) on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February (£15 per person). See attached flyer for more information.
- Does your child like baking? Would they like to apply for the next series of Channel 4's Junior Bake Off? Applications for children aged 9-15 are now open at [www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk](http://www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk) (closing date 15<sup>th</sup> March).

### Happy Days Children's Charity

The Happy Days Children's Charity is inviting applications for funding towards trips, respite breaks and holidays for disadvantaged children and young people with additional needs. The charity awards funding for different types of activities (including day trips to the zoo, theme park or theatre) to support families with children aged 3-17 who have a disabilities or special needs. Applications are accepted from parents or carers and can be made at any time.

Apply here: <https://www.happydayscharity.org/applications>

Tips: [Application Hints and Tips \(AI Generated\)](#)

*Mr Gaughan*

*Nurturing confidence, nurturing potential, nurturing success.*



## Celebrating Achievement



Well done to the following children:

- ★ **Bronze:** Alfie J (Willow); Harrison (Rowan); Skyla (Sycamore)
- ★ **Silver:** Briar, Joseph (Willow); Erin (Rowan); Gray, Savannah (Sycamore); D'low (Oak)
- ★ **Gold:** Ford, Violet, Willow C (Ash); Fearne, Thomas P, Maisie, Liam (Rowan); Ida, Hugo, Enes (Oak)
- ★ **Nursery Stars of the Week:** Felicity, Aya (Seedlings); Kash, Nova (Saplings)
- ★ **Attendance winners:** Last week's attendance was a disappointing 93.1% (our lowest since before Christmas). The winning classes were Willow (KS1) with 98.1% & Rowan (KS2) with 94.0%.
- ★ **House Point winners:** Europe won the house point trophy last week; meaning all 5 houses have won in the 5 weeks since we returned after Christmas (a first, surely?)
- ★ We didn't get any children qualifying for an award from the **Children's University** this time; but keep collecting those credits and I'm sure you'll get your next award soon!



This week's birthdays:  
Hudson (3)

This week's 'School Standard' is:  
Staying Safe Online (Safer Internet Day)

## What's Happening?

Little Seedlings are making pet rocks in their Forest Schools session.

Saplings are doing problem solving in Maths.

Children in Ash class were pleased to welcome Mrs Wellum back this week after her absence. Meanwhile, they have been making bird feeders in Forest Schools and enjoyed re-enacting a Jewish Shabbat in Friday's RE lesson.

Willow are reading instructional texts in their English lessons (before eventually writing their own).

Children in The Learning Zone have been making and decorating their own 'Friendship Tree' this week.

Rowan will be starting their weekly swimming lessons at Stocksbridge Leisure Centre this week (every week until the end of the year!).

Y4s in Sycamore are learning about perimeter in Maths; whilst the Y5s are doing column multiplication,

Oak are writing biographies of Beowulf in English. Meanwhile, they are doing 'flag football' in PE. Mr Hartley has challenged them to find out the score of the Superbowl this weekend!

Meanwhile, this week is Children's Mental Health Week, themed 'This is My Place'.

