

Weekly Newsletter

17TH APRIL 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a restful Easter break and enjoyed some quality family time during the sunny days we were lucky enough to experience recently.

As we began the summer term on Monday, the children returned with huge smiles and lots of energy to begin their final term of this academic year.

As the weather becomes more consistently warm, the children are welcome to begin wearing their summer uniforms, green gingham dresses or black/grey shorts as soon as you feel it appropriate.

We hope your child has spoken positively about the new assembly timings, as well as a more structured approach to playtimes and lunchtimes which were shared in an assembly on the first day back. Both of these changes will run for a term and will be reviewed along the way.

I would like to say a huge thank you to those parents and family members have supported Willow Class's learning in relation to real life superheroes. This has been a wonderful experience that has promoted the very best learning for our children, sowing the early seeds of understanding of the world of work. We have been overwhelmed by amazing response we received and the vast range of jobs that were represented.

Thank you also to our EYFS team for bringing the children's learning to life in such meaningful ways.

Although this is a long term, it promises to be one filled with learning, new adventures and fun for all our children.- and for our families too!

Kindest regards,

Headteacher

STAR OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to our Stars of the week. This week our celebration assembly value was **Aspiration**.

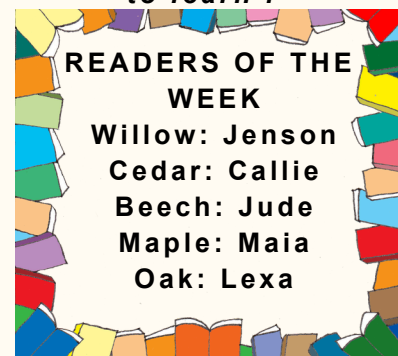
Our definition of pride is:

"Having goals and dreams for the future and trying our best, every day, to achieve these."



READER OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to our **'Readers of the Week'** for their amazing attitude to reading, both during lessons and at home. Thank you for being such dedicated ambassadors to our reading culture in school where ***'first we learn to read so that we can read to learn'!***

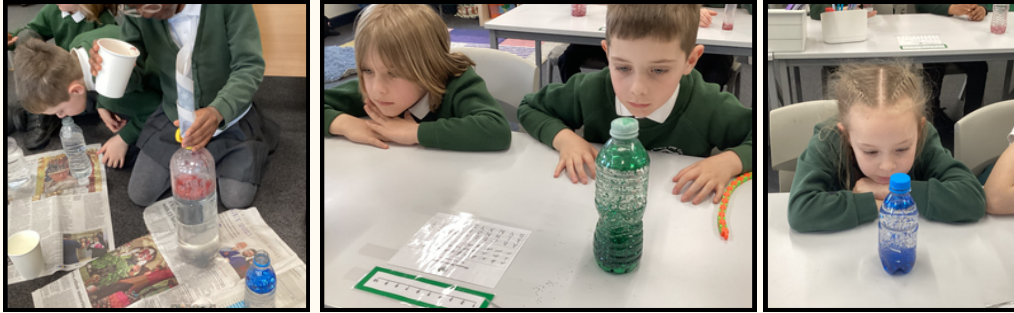


SPOTLIGHT ON CEDAR AND BEECH

This week in Cedar and Beech classes, we have been learning about regulation and helping our bodies and minds feel calm and steady when our feelings get 'big'. We talked about how our bodies can feel when we are upset, such as having a fast heart, shaky hands or a loud voice. We recognised that breathing is a helpful strategy we can use anywhere to calm ourselves down.

We loved creating our own glitter jars to help us understand our feelings. We saw that when the glitter swirls quickly, it is like when our thoughts and feelings feel busy or overwhelming. As we watched the glitter slowly settle, we used slow breathing to help our bodies calm down too.

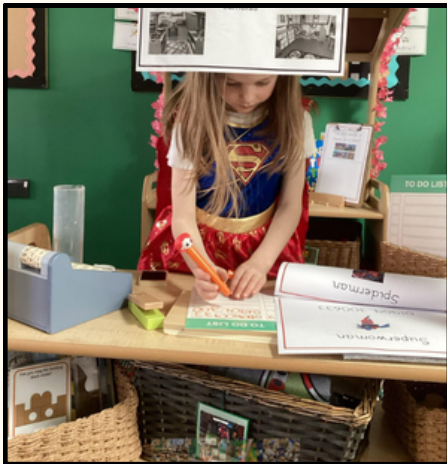
We learned that our glitter jar can help us calm down and manage our feelings when they get big.



ELM AND WILLOW SUPERHEROES!

On Monday, the children came to school dressed in their favourite superhero costumes, bringing excitement and energy to the day. This fun activity was linked to their learning about real-life heroes, helping them understand that heroes are not only found in stories but also in everyday life. They explored the important roles of people such as doctors, firefighters, nurses, and other community helpers, recognising the courage, kindness, and dedication these individuals show. The experience encouraged the children to think about how they too can be heroes through their actions and choices. Parents have kindly come into the classroom to talk to the children about their jobs, giving them a wonderful insight into a variety of careers.

We are very grateful for the time and effort they have shared, including visits from a vet, a cardiac physiologist, a doctor, and many more people who make the world a better place because of the work they do. These experiences have helped to inspire the children, broaden their understanding of different roles, and show them how their learning connects to the real world.



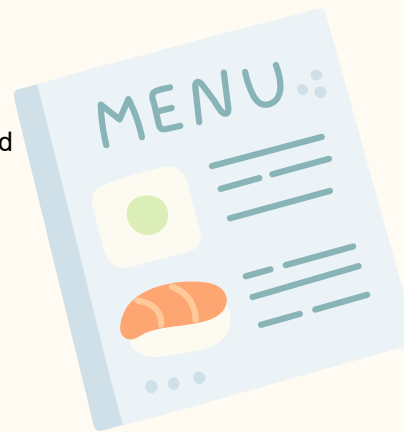
MEAL CHOICES

Polite reminder to please book your child's meal choices via Arbor.

We kindly ask that you do this even if your child will be bringing a packed lunch, as it helps us keep our records accurate and ensure we are fully prepared each day.

You can book meals in advance all the way up until the end of the school year.

Thank you to those parents who are already doing this—we really appreciate your support.



Well done to Cedar class! You are this week's attendance winners!

Willow	Cedar	Beech	Maple	Oak	Whole School
98.7%	99.6%	98.7%	98.8%	97.8%	98.72%

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 26th April - School Games Festival - Years 1-6 (more details to follow)

Monday 11th May - 15th May - Year 6 SATs Week

Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May - HALF TARM

Monday 1st June - INSET Day

Tuesday 2nd June - Elm and Willow Books and Biscuits Event (time to be confirmed)

Tuesday 9th June - Maple School Trip Yorkshire Sculpture Park (Details to follow)

Tuesday 9th June - Year 1-6 Books and Biscuits Event

Thursday 11th June - Class Photographs

Thursday 18th June - FHA Children's Awards (selected children already informed)

Friday 19th June - 'Dads and Doughnuts' - celebration for the special male role models in our lives!

Thursday 25th June - Oak School Trip Magna (Details to follow)

Monday 29th June - Y5 Bikeability (Details to follow)

Wednesday 1st July - Oak Class Road Safety Workshops (Within School time)

Wednesday 8th July - Sports Day (Elm and Willow AM, Year 1-6 PM - timing to follow)

Monday 20th July - Summer Fair (Details to follow)

Tuesday 21st July - Whole School Arts Showcase (Details to follow)

Friday 24th July - Year 6 Memories Assembly

Friday 24th July - END OF SCHOOL YEAR (Children in School)

