



WEEKLY NEWS LETTER

Friday 24th April 2026

Proud moments:

Acorn

Brooklyn - Amazing communication - showing you wanted more of something!
Harley - Incredible participation in therapeutic Forest School session for your first visit!
Harry - Beautiful engagement during our LOOP music session. You loved it that much you wanted to stay for the second session!
Calvin - For concentration and engagement during our painting activity during Earth Day!
Elsie - For independently taking your chair over to a sensory tray and playing and exploring for such a long time!
Ollie - Independently exploring new textures and feelings in all of our provision across the week - well done!
Freddie - Brilliant communication showing you wanted more bubbles!
Rosie - For playing beautifully alongside your peers in a range of activities.
Mia - Lovely participation during dough disco sessions - fantastic pinching and prodding!

Conker

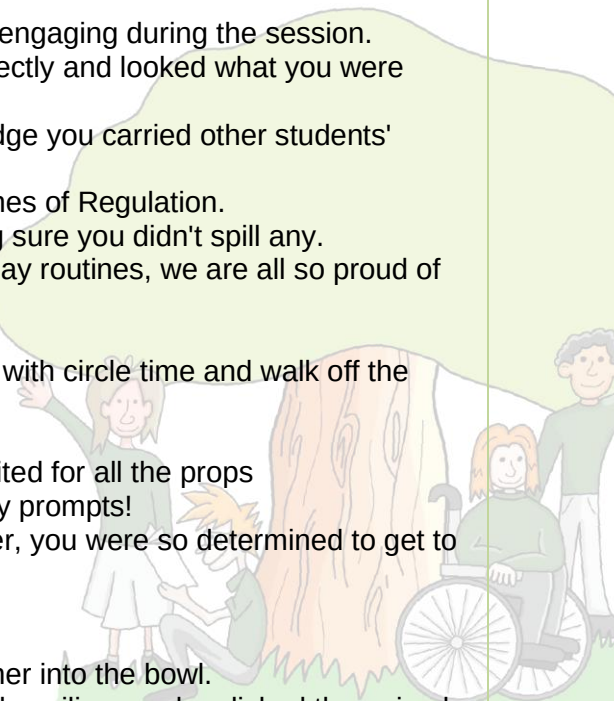
AP- Able to match animals to the animal noise
PW- Amazing letter writer
PH- Good use of communication board
TS- Fantastic engagement throughout circle time
OB- engaging well in circle time
EB- Amazing transitions
LF- Lovely speech and interaction, Amazon signing 'more'.

Apple

Teddy for doing so well going to a different room for phonics and engaging during the session.
Henri for excellent independent work in art, you held the pen correctly and looked what you were doing during each step.
Kohan for being so caring and helpful when the class made porridge you carried other students' bowls who were not able to and held the doors open.
Yanis for communicating why you were feeling excited during Zones of Regulation.
Theo for making a cup of tea so well you were so focused making sure you didn't spill any.
George for working so hard on being more independent in everyday routines, we are all so proud of you!
Harrison for tidying up the bricks during the tidy up song.
Tommy for great listening all week, you've joined in so beautifully with circle time and walk off the playground each day smiling!
Reggie for a great PE session joining in with the activities.
Carson for lovely engagement in the sensory story, you were excited for all the props
L for using a full sentence to request what you wanted without any prompts!
Harry for walking up to the slide holding hands without your walker, you were so determined to get to the top!

Maple

Avis- For great work in cooking scooping yoghurt from the container into the bowl.
Violet- For engaging well with a maths counting game on the iPad, smiling as she clicked the animals and numbers.
Phoebe- For joining in beautifully with the circle time song, pointing and naming body parts independently.
Bradley- For using his communication device to ask an adult for help to tie his shoelace.





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Mason- For accepting regulation strategies when offered by an adult, sitting on his favourite chair to support his regulation.

Calvin- For brilliant work in maths, counting the animals on the game and correctly pressing the number to indicate how many.

J- For sharing an activity with an adult, building a duplo tower and taking turns with this.

Oliver- For independently choosing pieces of coloured paper to stick onto his collage in RE.

Sammy- For brilliant listening at Forest School.

Olek- For using his fine motor skills in cooking to scoop yoghurt into a bowl in cooking.

Ashton- For using gestures to ask an adult to sit next to him when waiting after swimming.

A- For amazing counting in maths, independently counting the animals and selecting the right number.

Beech

J - amazing understanding of the world work, finding England on the map and identifying the capital.

Tommy - being a super role model and kind friend always

Billy - waiting so patiently for all his requests

Samuel - signing new signs during sign of the day

Leo - using his initiative when he doesn't like things to ask for a walk calmly

Lavinia - for a fantastic week, super happy, super engaged

Reggie - responding beautifully to new boundaries

Ben - sharing beautifully in the hammock in forest schools

Mulberry

Harry has been so good this week and has demonstrated amazing listening skill while helping Tk complete jobs in school

Leo for such an amazing swim session on Monday and coping so well with a such a big change.

DL for coping well in difficult situations and getting back up quickly.

Vincent for a lovely session at the pool, walked over so well and showed amazing listening.

Niamh for communicating really well with staff why she is wanting and sharing the trampoline so beautifully with her peer.

William for doing really well with working on 'now' and 'next' when wanting to do something and listening!

RRK for transitioning much better around school, well done!

Ash

Shey - for FABULOUS counting in Maths and number formation on the interactive board.

Eddie - for being so curious trying all of the outfits on when the fire fighters came in this week.

EH - for being super kind to the fire fighters who came in this week.

George - for great listening when we went to the park this week!

Willow - for sharing your great knowledge of England with the class in English this week.

Parker - for a lovely swimming session on Monday.

Maggie - for AMAZING counting in maths all the way to 50!

Juniper

Juniper class have had a great week this week, the sun has been shining and we've loved being outside. We had a great horticultural session, planting strawberry plants with Matt. We had a great Earth Day activity such as natural tuff tray, what can we hear such as city sounds and countryside sounds. We also had a wonderful sound bath session in the forest school area.

Charlie- Well done for your work in phonics this week, it's a new sound and you managed to correctly identify the orange card and 'o' card.

Jared- well done on having such a great horse-riding session. You waited so well for your turn!

L- Brilliant work in music and understanding the world, making clear choices via symbols based on what you heard and could see, well done.

Nevaeh- Well done for exploring the different flowers during art this week.





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Octavia- Great work in phonics this week recognising the new sound o and picture card orange! Keep aiming high.

O- Well done for really good listening in horticulture and for turn taking with staff as we put the soil in the tub for the strawberry plant.

Riley- Well done working on your fine motor skills in our earth day tuff tray and during horticulture, planting strawberry plants!

Reece- Great work on earth day clearly identifying what you could hear and see via symbols.

Skye- Great work in art this week exploring the flowers and making a clear choice on which one was your favourite.

Thomas- Well done on a great first horse riding session!

Sycamore

WS - gestured to an adult that he wanted them to play in the sand tray with him, he gestured for adult to sprinkle and pat the sand like he was doing.

LC - brilliant, more consistent transitions from the playground back into class.

KB - being brave and working as a team to groom the horses at Matlock Farm Park.

OG - following instructions well in PE to take part in the different jumping and balancing activities.

JH - a great first week at Horse Riding this week, confidently getting on and riding.

HV - using symbols to communicate in full sentences to share what he wants at snack time.

OC - some super self-regulation whilst helping Lesley to tidy up Forest School.

Larch

We are so proud of all the pupils in Larch, for approaching careers week with such maturity, determination and fabulous engagement. They asked some really insightful questions and listened to the information given.

Elm

William B – for great engagement during DEAR time.

Llan – For working really hard on his writing this week.

Reece L - For helping out round the class and school, being a great friend

Kenny H– For great writing this week, really thinking about answers in class

Bertie D – For independently drawing his picture in Art.

George R– For being a super role model to the school in sports training.

Ilyess K - For a super character design in careers week

Jorge N– For joining in with the fire people even when you were a little nervous well done.

Theo H – for supporting a peer in class with engaging conversation

Rupert Mc – For including others and looking out for his friends

Kaiden L – For a super character design for careers week.

Jacob P – For being open to new conversations with his peers

Blossom

RB- amazing engagement in our sensory story activities. It was wonderful to see how engaged he was!

AJ- for engaging so well in our farmyard themed maths lesson.

DR- for enjoying time outside in Forest School- lots of smiles and chuckles!

IS- for being very brave and exploring sensory trays with her feet.

KJ- fantastic engagement in our sensory walk trays.

JAE- for amazing all of us in our music session with Sarah. His reaction to the cello was beautiful!

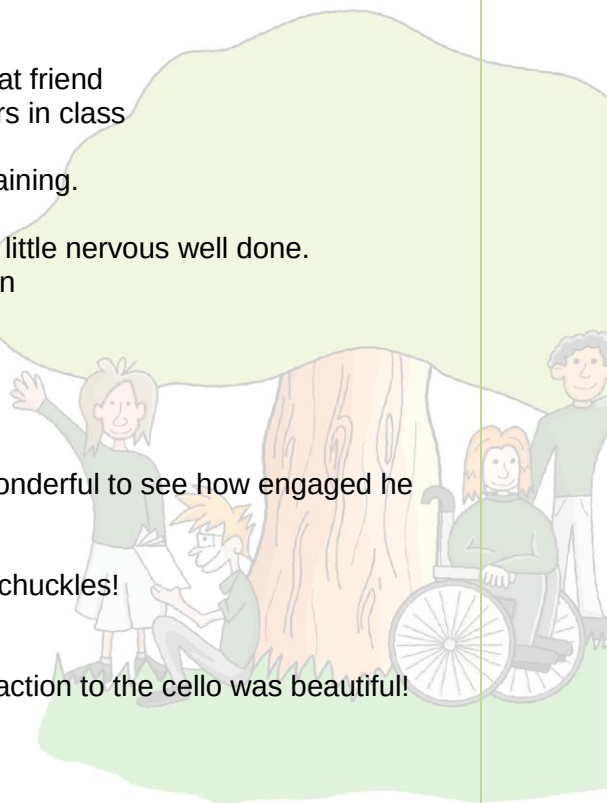
Cherry

Logan for engaging with the Hovis careers session.

Ed for using Makaton signs independently.

Harry for engaging with the fire service and trying on equipment.

Ella for working hard during her speech and language session





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Ben for being brave when the fire service came to visit.
Seb for a great music session.
Sarah for great interactions with the Police officers and equipment for careers week.
Samuel for being brave when the Police officers visited for careers week.
Billy for amazing logo making for careers week.
Chelsea for great memory skills during English.
Lola for brilliant work during her music assessment.

Oak

Alfie for securing himself a paid position at his work experience placement - it is exactly what we strive and hope for!
B., for some super work ethic levels during the Sports Leader Programme.
Peter for some excellent independence at the gym, attending with very little input from staff.
Frankie for sitting and paying really good attention to our guest poet and theatre actor!
Elian for designing a superb poster for the upcoming Farmer's Market.
Ellie for some excellent engagement during our career's session with the Garden Centre!
Logan for attending the gym with extra independence and requiring very little input from staff.
Connor for showing great levels of enthusiasm when joining the class for their gym sessions at the leisure centre.
Dan for asking some excellent questions during the career's week of all our visitors, really showing his engagement and understanding.
Harvey for some excellent community inclusion skills during the weekly trip into the local town.
Billy for engaging well during the activities throughout the Sports Leader Day!

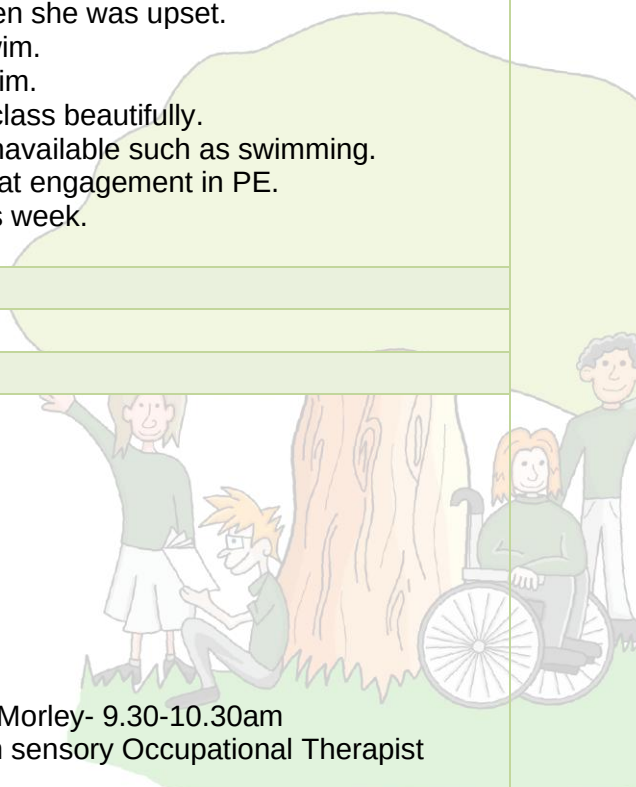
Hazel

Haydn – For being brave and engaging in different careers activities for careers week.
Ellie – For recognising her peers' boundaries in class.
Amber – For beautiful use of her communication book even when she was upset.
Faith – For swimming 25 lengths in the pool during our class swim.
Ruby - For swimming 25 lengths in the pool during our class swim.
James – For communicating his needs and wants this week in class beautifully.
Spencer – For maturely dealing with change when things are unavailable such as swimming.
Monty – Great engagement with sensory diet this week and great engagement in PE.
Jack – Great engagement with both staff and pupils in class this week.

How can you help?

Dates to remember:

Mon 27th April-Fri 1st May- National Gardening Week
Thurs 30th April- RE Day- Wesak
Mon 4th May- Bank holiday
Thurs 14th May- Annual Farmers Market- 1.30-3.30pm
Fri 22nd May -Pupils break up for Half Term
Mon 25th- Fri 29th May- May Half Term
Mon 1st June- Pupils return to school
Tues 2nd June- Jetsetter Day- Australia
Mon 8th June- World Ocean Day
Wed 10th June- Sensory regulation- parent workshop with Katy Morley- 9.30-10.30am
Mon 15th June- Parent information session 'Sensory eating' with sensory Occupational Therapist Sarah Terry
Mon 29th June- Parent/ carer Coffee Morning- 9.00-11.00am
Mon 6th to Fri 10th July- National Sports Week
Wed 8th July- Year 8- HPV vaccinations





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Wed 8th July- Makaton Day

Wed 8th July- Behaviour training- parent workshop with Belle Towndrow- 9.30-10.30am

Tues 14th July- Emmeline Pankhurst Day

