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A note from Mrs Lennon

Welcome to the end of another busy week in school. Despite the wet and stormy weather, the children have continued to show fantastic resilience and positivity. This week has also been Anti-Bullying Week, which we kicked off with Odd Socks

Day on Monday—we saw stripes, spots, and all sorts of colours (and thankfully no holes!). Throughout the week, classes have taken part in activities and discussions focused on the importance of showing respect—one of our core school values, and something visitors often comment so positively on when they meet our children.



Children in Need



Today we celebrated Children in Need, with the children (and staff!) arriving in their cosiest pyjamas. The atmosphere across school was full of excitement, and it was lovely to see everyone joining in and showing such enthusiasm for the cause. A huge thank you to all families who kindly contributed—your donations will make a real difference in supporting children and young people across the UK. We will be counting up the total over the weekend and will share the final amount raised on Monday.

Attendance

**Our school
attendance target is
97%.**

In assembly each Monday, we will share the attendance and the class with the highest attendance will receive a point. The winning class will choose a treat at the end of the half term!



**Attendance
Matters**

Every student. Every day.

**This week our whole
school attendance
was 97.3% - WOW!**



**And the winning
class is...**

Year 1 (99.2%)

Congratulations!

Star of the Week

All certificates link to our 6 school values.

***Respect, Kindness, Resilience, Empathy,
Responsibility, Fairness***

Nursery: **Annie Orson-Barratt**: For always being a kind friend.

Reception: **Reggie Davis**: For making the most amazing progress in phonics.

Year One: **Reuben-Wrigley Jones**: For showing enthusiasm in science lessons.

Year Two: **Krishna Subedi**: For being a star all week.

Year Three: **Irha Zeeshan**: For having a fabulous attitude towards her work.

Year Four: **Roslyn Lowndes** : For super **resilience** and hard work in English.

Year Five: **Megan Nunn**: For always having a great attitude and being a great role model.

Year Six: **Charlie Wray** : For being a fantastic, ready learner and always trying his best.

The Hive: **Lottie-Rae Grady** : For doing some amazing writing with questions and exclamations.

You may have noticed that each week we share a Makaton sign of the week on Class Dojo. We have some children in school who use Makaton to communicate and would love for all children to be able to sign with them. If you haven't already, please share these with your child so they can have a go in school!

Sign of the week

Remembrance Day

Classes spent time exploring why we remember, thinking carefully about the importance of honouring the past and the people who came before us. Throughout the week, pupils engaged in a range of thoughtful activities— from discussions and stories to creative tasks that helped them reflect on remembrance in meaningful ways.

Don't forget...

Next week we have our second open morning for children who are due to start Nursery or Reception in September 2026. If you know anyone who is due to start, please encourage them to come along!

Autumn Term 2—key dates calendar

Wednesday 19 th November	Open Morning – new to Nursery/Reception in September 2026: 9.30-10.30
Wednesday 26 th November	Year 5 Jodrell Bank Trip (more info to follow)
Thursday 27 th November	Year 4 trip to Chester (more info to follow)
Friday 28 th November	Friends of Dane Bank – Non-uniform day – bottle donation for Christmas tombola
Friday 5 th December	Friends of Dane Bank - Non-uniform day – chocolate donation for Christmas tombola
Tuesday 9 th December	Early Years Christmas show – parents welcome. 9.30am
Tuesday 9 th December	Year 1 & Year 2 Christmas show – parents welcome. 1.30pm
Wednesday 10 th December	Year 1 & Year 2 Christmas show – parents welcome. 9.30am
Thursday 11 th December	Year 5 Class Assembly – 9.15am. Year 5 parents welcome
Thursday 11 th December	Friends of Dane Bank Christmas Fair : 3:30 – 4:30
Friday 12 th December	Nursery and Reception trip to the pantomime (more info to follow)
Tuesday 16 th December	Early Years & Key Stage One Christmas Parties (pm)
Wednesday 17 th December	Santa Bus visits school!
Wednesday 17 th December	Year 3 trip to Waterside Arts, Sale – “Father Christmas” by Raymond Briggs
Thursday 18 th December	Key Stage Two Christmas Parties (pm)
Friday 19 th December	Christmas Dinner & Christmas jumper day
Friday 19 th December	Year 3 & Year 4 (+choir) Christmas Singalong – parents welcome. 2.15pm
School closes for Christmas on Friday 19th December & re-opens Monday 5th January 2026	