

CELEBRATING 175 YEARS

Northaw Newsround

Friday 26 September 2025

Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts – Sir Winston Churchill

Head's Lines

One of the many great things about leading a small school is I get to continue teaching regularly, which grants me greater firsthand knowledge of pupils than that usually enjoyed by headteachers. Just this week, I have been supporting Y3 develop their understanding of place value every morning while my afternoons have included exploring digital mapping and how to layout addresses in Apples & Pears, and learning the names of shapes in French with the children in Willow. The highlight, however, was probably on Wednesday in Oak where we have been visiting Ancient Greece and weighed the tricky decisions faced by the Hellenes as the Persians invaded their lands, culminating in the pivotal battle of Thermopylae in 480 BC.

This afternoon, I very much enjoyed hosting a party for the recipients of golden tickets at the end of last term and their friends. It never ceases to amaze me how much cake eight children can scoff in the space of a few minutes. We are still a month away from the moment teachers once again nominate pupils for this honour, and I know it will be a tough choice based on what I am seeing around the school – pupils conducting themselves well and eager to progress.

Dr James Inglis
Headteacher

This half term,
our value in focus is
generosity.



*Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction,
faithful in prayer. Romans 12:12*

There is a prayer box near the signing-in point for parents – a group share requests confidentially. Our Reflection Champions maintain a prayer tree for pupils. They have written this prayer for us this week:

Dear God,

Thank you for making the world and all of the wonderful plants and animals. Please help us in October and to be generous.

Amen

The headteacher has chosen this scripture for us this week:

*Good will come to those who are generous
and lend freely, who conduct their affairs
with justice. Psalm 112:5*

Loving for today,
Learning for tomorrow,
Forever in faith



GOING FOR GOLD

Attendance Matters

The class with the highest attendance this week is **Apples & Pears**.

Five-Star Fashion

Perla

Rex

House Credits

Narnia	26
Neverland	53
Oz	27
Wonderland	31

Mind Your Manners

Romy

Rosieanne

Vienna

6Rs Stars

ACORNS

River

APPLES & PEARS

Beatrice

Sofia

WILLOW

Timothy

Dilly-Rose

OAK

Romy

Sophia

Thank You For The Music

Wilbur

Times Tables Rock Stars

Year 4 had the highest average number of correct answers in Battle of the Bands this week.

Upcoming Events

1 October

Black History Month

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Playgroup

We now have a playgroup for children who have not started school yet every Thursday from 9 to 10. Parents and carers are welcome to drop in with their littlest ones and join the fun.

PTA

As a small school, our budget is always tight, and we constantly strive to remain sustainable. Increasingly, we cannot afford the little extras. For them, we rely on the generosity of stakeholders through donations or purchases from the Amazon Wishlist and, even more so, the extraordinary commitment of our PTA. The events they organise also bring our community together. Our PTA are both a lifeline to and the lifeblood of our school, enabling valuable improvements and delivering unmissable experiences. If you would like to support them, please contact the school.



Dr Inglis' Brain Training

Who is the king of the classroom?



Answer: The ruler