

Northaw Newsround

Friday 16 January 2026

Don't wait for your ship to come in, swim out to it – Cathy Hopkins

Head's Lines

Pupils from across the school have been competing offsite in gymnastics this week. On Wednesday, a troupe from Apples & Pears stunned Mrs Stratton-Stubbs with their performance, and they were placed second overall – well done. Miss Barker has been accompanying ensembles from Willow and Oak today, and we look forward to hearing of their success during Going for Gold next week.

Parenting today can feel overwhelming — especially when childhood looks so different from what we grew up with. There's no manual, and it can be hard to keep up with the fast-changing digital world your child moves through every day. This guide from the Children's Commissioner aims to make those conversations easier and help you support your child with confidence.



I would like to provide parents and carers of students in Oak with a chance to Meet the Teacher now Mr Herbert is leading the class and have scheduled this for 19 January. We plan to admit visitors at 2.45 and draw things to a close just after 3, so the children can ready themselves for home time.

Dr James Inglis
Headteacher

This half term, our value in focus is **courage**.



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 the rain, so the crops grow and animals can eat the grass. Please let us have a nice spring and continue enjoying the new year.

Amen

The headteacher has chosen this scripture for us this week:

But Jesus immediately said to them: 'Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid.'
Matthew 14:27

Loving for today,
Learning for tomorrow,
Forever in faith



GOING FOR GOLD

Attendance Matters

The class with the highest attendance this week is **Acorns**.

Five-Star Fashion

Devrim Christiano

House Credits

Narnia	17
Neverland	63
Oz	33
Wonderland	25

Mind Your Manners

Louis K Vienna Soraya

6Rs Stars

ACORNS

Lia-May

APPLES & PEARS

Elizabeth Bella

WILLOW

Georgia Eli

OAK

Caleb Valentina

Thank You For The Music

Brody

Times Tables Rock Stars

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

Upcoming Events

23 January

HT's golden ticket party

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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.

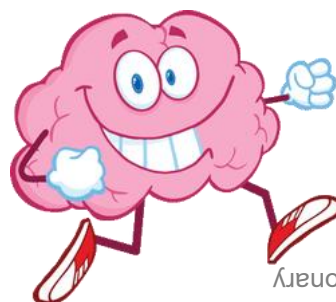
PTA

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

I am where yesterday is after today but tomorrow is in the middle. Where would I be?



Answer: In the dictionary