

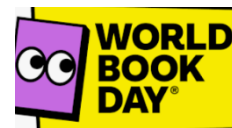


Weekly Newsletter  
**Friday**  
**27<sup>th</sup> February**  
**2026**

## This week's school news and information

### **World Book Day 2026**

We are excited to be celebrating World Book Day throughout next week with a range of activities across the school.



#### Dermot O'Leary Event – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

On Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, our Kestrels and Hawks classes will attend a special author event at Oswestry School, featuring broadcaster and children's author Dermot O'Leary. Booka Bookshop has launched a fundraiser to support this exciting initiative, which will mark the start of the National Year of Reading 2026.

#### Dress-Up Day – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March

On World Book Day itself (Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March), children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. We can't wait to see their creativity and imagination on show!

#### Booka Bookshop Visits for EYFS & KS1- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> & Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March

Our EYFS and KS1 children will be visiting Booka Bookshop to spend their £1 World Book Day vouchers and enjoy exploring a wonderful range of stories.

### **Book Sale – Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March**



Borderland Rotary Club, Oswestry, have kindly offered to run a children's book sale to raise funds for our school. We are asking for donations of good-quality children's books from parents and carers. Donations can be dropped off at reception or given directly to class teachers. The book sale will take place during the school day on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March. If children would like to buy a book, please send them into school with 50p per book. On the day, classes will visit the sale with their staff, beginning with Year 6. Younger pupils will have a selection of age-appropriate books brought directly to their classrooms. Any unsold books will be collected by the organisers. All funds raised will be banked through the Rotary charity account and then transferred back to the school.

### **'Purple4Polio' Fundraising Campaign**

We have been approached by Oswestry and Borderlands Rotary Club to support their ongoing Purple4Polio campaign, which raises vital funds to provide polio For every £1 raised, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation will donate an additional £2, tripling the impact of every contribution. Our KS2 School Councillors will be taking part in a sponsored walk at Cae Glas Park on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March, representing all Meadows pupils. To help raise additional funds, the School Councillors will also be on the playground before school on Thursday and Friday next week, as well as Monday 2nd March, collecting 50p donations. Please give whatever you can—every contribution genuinely makes a difference.



### World Book Day Storytelling Session at Oswestry Library

Oswestry Library is hosting a special World Book Day storytelling session on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026, from 3.45pm to 4.45p m. Children's book author Tony Molyneux (and OCA volunteer) will be sharing a reading from his wonderful children's book Sally and Matt and Albert the Cat.

The session is suitable for children aged 6–11. You can book a place by contacting the library on 01743 250351, or families are welcome to drop in on the day.

Come along, take a seat, and enjoy the story!

### Intra-School Football Tournament Results

Following last half-term's intra-school house competition, organised by Mr O'Reilly, we are delighted to share the final results of our House Football Tournament.

The children showed fantastic teamwork, sportsmanship and determination throughout the competition.

#### 🏆 Final Results:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – **Green**- 64 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – **Blue**- 60 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – **Red**- 57 points
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place – **Yellow**- 50 points

Congratulations to all pupils who took part, and a big thank you to Mr O'Reilly for organising such an enjoyable event.



## Birthdays



This week we would like to wish the following children a very Happy Birthday.

**Chester**

**Jacob**

**Olivia**

**Osian**

**Winston**

**Harvey**

**Jaxon**

## Well done this week to...

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| <b>Chicks<br/>Year R</b>        | <b>Harper-Rae</b> has had a super first week back at school, showing great enthusiasm for learning about Chinese New Year and confidently recalling the story of the great race. Harper-Rae impressed everyone by remembering the word 'predict' and worked hard in Read, Write Inc., using her Fred Talk beautifully to write words. She brings joy and enthusiasm to everything she does, plays kindly with her friends, and continues to be fabulous every day. |
| <b>Ducklings<br/>Year R</b>     | <b>Alfie</b> has settled back into school brilliantly, arriving each day with a positive attitude and engaging confidently in whole-class sessions. Alfie has worked hard in phonics, showing great progress with reading, writing, and beautifully improved handwriting. He is focusing well on his personal targets, listening carefully, following instructions, and showing maturity in all areas of his learning.                                             |
| <b>Wrens<br/>Year 1</b>         | <b>Evelyn Rose</b> has had a great week, confidently recognising and saying sounds in phonics while following the STAR rules beautifully. Evelyn Rose always tries her best, shows kindness to her friends, and impressed everyone by sorting foods into groups and explaining her choices. Her writing is becoming neater each week, and she continues to achieve high spelling scores through her hard work.                                                     |
| <b>Robins<br/>Year 2</b>        | <b>Riley</b> has worked incredibly hard this week, showing great progress in maths and excellent collaboration in history. Riley arrives each day with a big smile, always helps others, and consistently goes for gold. Riley demonstrates all of the school values every day and should be very proud of himself.                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Owls<br/>Year 2</b>          | <b>Harmony</b> has made a fantastic start to the half term, showing improved engagement in lessons and confidently sharing her ideas, especially in English when discussing toys from the past and present. Harmony has contributed well in maths, making a strong start to division. She also impressed in PE this week by performing elegant and controlled gym shapes on various apparatus.                                                                     |
| <b>Puffins<br/>Year 3/4</b>     | <b>Chester</b> has been working incredibly hard recently, showing great focus and a mature attitude towards his learning. Chester has confidently shared his ideas in class discussions and demonstrated strong understanding across lessons. He particularly shone in computing this week, creating an accurate algorithm to animate a sprite and play different sounds.                                                                                          |
| <b>Kingfishers<br/>Year 3/4</b> | <b>Ava</b> has shown fantastic effort and determination this week, especially in maths where she listened carefully, sought help when needed, and participated positively in her intervention group. Ava showed great confidence in guided reading, reading aloud to the class and answering comprehension questions thoughtfully. In computing, she explored Scratch successfully, adding characters, backgrounds, and commands to bring her ideas to life.       |
| <b>Kestrels<br/>Year 4/5</b>    | <b>Poppy</b> has had an outstanding week, showing fantastic effort, positivity, and impeccable manners both in and out of the classroom. Poppy has worked carefully in English to improve her writing and has shown great determination in maths, especially with Times Tables Rock Stars. In science, she confidently explained magnetic attraction and helped responsibly with equipment, making it a super week for her.                                        |
| <b>Hawks<br/>Year 5</b>         | <b>Harvey</b> comes to school each day with a positive attitude, impeccable manners, and a consistently mature approach to learning. Harvey has worked especially hard on his handwriting this week, showing great improvement in his letter formation and presentation. He has been a star in all subjects, particularly standing out in History where he used primary and secondary sources to investigate life in Ancient Greece.                               |
| <b>Eagles<br/>Year 6</b>        | <b>Riley</b> brings positivity and determination to every lesson, showing brilliant focus and recently earning his Gone Green certificate on Times Tables Rock Stars. Riley demonstrated great perseverance while learning to calculate the mean average, pushing through challenges with impressive resilience. He has also worked enthusiastically in English, preparing confidently for his writing about Charles Darwin.                                       |
| <b>Falcons<br/>Year 6</b>       | <b>Annabelle</b> has gone above and beyond this week, always helping others with a smile and taking initiative without ever needing to be asked. Annabelle takes great pride in all her work, consistently producing her best across every subject. She is a mature, responsible role model who shows kindness, patience, and positivity every day in Falcon's.                                                                                                    |

# What is happening in school next week?

| Day/Date                                                  | During School Time                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | After School                                                                                                              |
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| <b>Monday</b><br><b>2<sup>nd</sup></b><br><b>March</b>    | <b>7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club</b><br>Music Mob—Violin Lessons                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm</b><br><br>3.15 - 4.30 ~ Y1-3 Football<br>3.15 - 4.30 ~ KS2 Mini Mission (Team Building) |
| <b>Tuesday</b><br><b>3<sup>rd</sup></b><br><b>March</b>   | <b>7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club</b><br><b>Oswestry School Visit- Kestrels &amp; Hawks</b><br><b>Swimming – Puffins</b>                                                                                                                                       | <b>Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm</b><br><br>3.15 - 4.30 ~ Y1-4 Film Club                                                  |
| <b>Wednesday</b><br><b>4<sup>th</sup></b><br><b>March</b> | <b>7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club</b><br><b>Rotakids Book Sale</b><br><b>Swimming – Kestrels &amp; Wrens</b><br><b>Hockey Tournament</b><br>Music Mob—Woodwind Lessons                                                                                         | <b>Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm</b><br><br>3.15 - 4.30 ~ KS2 Basketball<br>3.15 - 4.30 ~ Y2-3 Art Club                   |
| <b>Thursday</b><br><b>5<sup>th</sup></b><br><b>March</b>  | <b>7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club</b><br><b>School Councillors raising money for Polio at 8:15 am</b><br><b>World Book Day- dress up as your favourite character</b><br><b>EYFS/KS1 visits to Booka</b><br>Music Mob—Guitar Lessons<br>Music Mob—Brass Lessons | <b>Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm</b><br><br>3.15 - 4.30 ~ Y4-6 Football<br>3.15 – 4.30 ~ Y4-6 Art                         |
| <b>Friday</b><br><b>6<sup>th</sup></b><br><b>March</b>    | <b>7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club</b><br><b>School Councillors raising money for Polio at 8:15 am</b><br><b>EYFS/KS1 visits to Booka</b><br>Brass Lessons—Puffins & Kingfishers<br>Music Mob—Drum Lessons                                                      | <b>Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm</b><br><br>3.15 - 4.30 ~ Y1-4 Gymnastics                                                 |