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# Winning House

The points for this week will be rolled over until after the Easter break so all children will return to school in uniform.

# Commendation Awards

| Bethan T   |
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| George A   |
| Jackson M  |
| Luis G     |
| Rory M     |
| Hermione H |
| Naomi B    |
| Јоеу К     |
| Cassian S  |
| Toby L     |
| Oryn E     |
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# Star Writer Award

| Ronan M  |  |
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| Finley B |  |
| Alex R   |  |
| Rae H    |  |

# Reception

The children completed lots of lovely Easter activities today which included making a fantastic Easter card, showcasing their creative skills. Their favourite activity was the Easter scavenger hunt in the wild area during Forest Friday. The year six buddies hid some eggs with challenges written on to complete. They enjoyed a small chocolate reward at the end. Happy Easter everyone!











# KS1

We have had a great last week of term enjoying the Spring weather and lots of activities. We had a great time at our Science workshop in the hall on Wednesday morning. We learned lots about different materials and we took part in many different experiments. We hope you all have a fantastic Easter break!







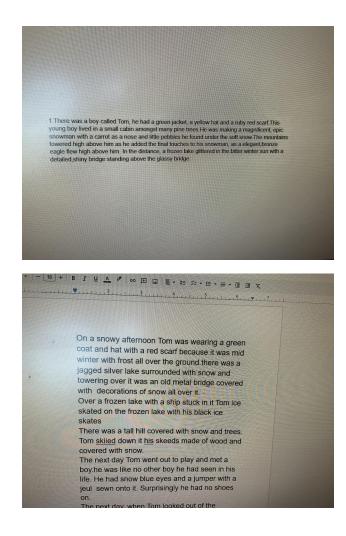


LKS2

Over the last few weeks, the children have been looking at audio description in computing. We have discussed what audio description is and how is used to support people who are blind. The children have then taken the book 'A Winter's Child' and have begun to write a script to provide their own audio description to the story. Each page of the book has been described in detail and then they will record their scripts using iMovie.







### UKS2

*We're excited to share some of the fantastic things our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils have been up to recently.* 

### The Selfish Giant Writing Unit

Year 6 have been diving into the classic tale The Selfish Giant by Oscar Wilde. They've produced some truly thoughtful and imaginative stories, exploring the Giant's journey from loneliness to kindness, and the magical transformation of his garden as he welcomes the children back.

As part of this unit, they've also been getting creative with charcoal and watercolours to bring scenes from the story to life. The results are stunning – from wintry, empty gardens to joyful bursts of spring, the artwork really captures the heart of the story.

### Robinwood Residential Trip

Year 5 have just returned from their residential trip to Robinwood, and what an adventure they had! Over the three days, they took part in a huge range of activities that challenged them, built their confidence, and brought them closer together as a team.

Some of the highlights included:

- Archery testing focus and patience as they aimed for the target
  - Canoeing working in pairs to paddle across the lake
- **Caving** squeezing through tunnels and exploring the underground world
  - Climbing pushing themselves to reach the top
  - The Giant Swing facing fears and flying through the air together!
- *Nightline* a blindfolded obstacle course that required teamwork and trust
- **Piranha Pool** solving challenges to 'rescue' teammates (no actual piranhas involved, thankfully!)

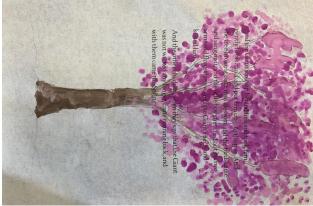
The children showed real resilience, teamwork and bravery – and had a brilliant time while they were at it. They've come back full of stories and memories that we're sure will stay with them for years to come.

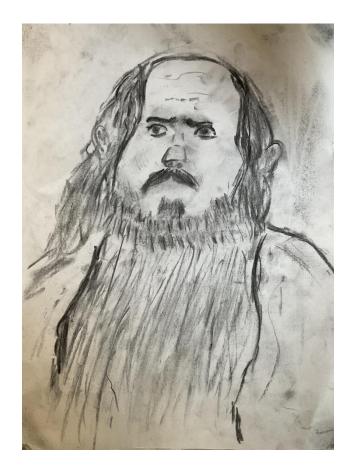




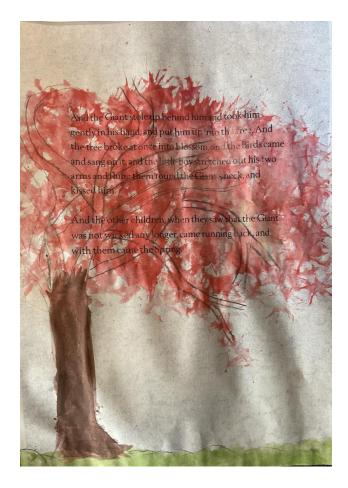


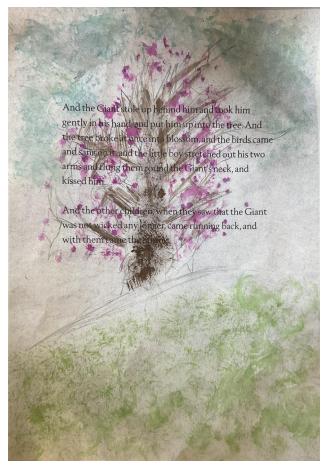
















# **Planting Day**

Last Saturday, we were excited to welcome the Eco Team, Cheshire Wildlife Trust, families from Lower Park, and even our local MP, Tim Roca, for the Lower Park Planting Day. Together, they worked tirelessly to plant saplings provided by the Woodland Trust. These saplings will create a live hedge and nature corridor, enhancing the biodiversity of our grounds while also enclosing our Forest School area. After finishing the planting, the team moved on to help tidy up the sensory garden. A huge thank you to everyone involved, and special thanks to Notcutts for donating compost and Elan for providing bark chips.







# Cross country competition

On a sunny Thursday evening, children from Key Stage 2 participated in a thrilling cross-country event at Norbury Hall. There were some outstanding individual performances, and every child showed great determination and a big smile throughout. A special congratulations to the Year 3/4 girls' team and the Year 3/4 boys' team, both of whom were the overall winners! A big thank you to all the parents and carers for their fantastic support. Well done to everyone involved!



# End of day pick up

Just a reminder that the school playground equipment including the astro should not be used at the end of the day. Please can we remind you to leave the playground promptly in order for our children in afterschool club to be able to access the outside area.

Thank you for your support.

# PTA Update

Wow, how is it the end of yet another term!? We'd like to take this opportunity to say a huge Thank You to everyone who has supported the PTA and therefore the school over the last few months – be that by organising or attending our events. We very much appreciate each and every one of you!

Most of you will have spotted the changes in the playground and the new MUGA, which we're delighted to have helped facilitate through our fundraising efforts.

We've more excitement to come after Easter with our final disco of the year and, of course, the Summer Fair. Keep your eyes peeled for more info on both.

In the meantime, have a great Easter holiday!

# Autism Central

Following the success of recent workshops for parents, please can we draw your attention to this session, with a focus on sleep.

| Parent/Carer Coffee Morning -<br>Sleep Session  |  |  |  |  |
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| Great Minds Together  |  |  |  |  |
| Thursday 24th April 9:00AM - 11:00AM  |  |  |  |  |
| Upton Priory School   |  |  |  |  |
| Would you like to chat with other parents and carers<br>who are going through similar experiences and share<br>ideas and strategies?  |  |  |  |  |
| Autism Central will be attending to discuss support that<br>may be available to you. They aim to make it easier to<br>learn more about autism and services available to you.<br>No diagnosis needed.  |  |  |  |  |
|   |  |  |  |  |
| ✓ Meet other parents Are you looking for support, but not sure where to start?  |  |  |  |  |
| ✓ Ask any questions   |  |  |  |  |
| Learn more about autism and social,<br>emotional and mental health needs  |  |  |  |  |
| On the day of the event, we will require all attendees to fill<br>out a registration form. This is made up of 7 questions and<br>helps to support future funding. We appreciate this can be<br>quite time consuming and can include providing information<br>personal to you. If you have any queries, this can be<br>discussed on the day. |  |  |  |  |
| Autism (skillsforcare NHS =   |  |  |  |  |

Dates for the diary



Diary dates for Spring 2025

Friday 4th April - School closes for Easter break

Tuesday 22nd April - School opens

Monday 5th May - School closed for bank holiday

12,13,14,15th May - Year 6 SATS

Friday 16th May - SATs party Year 6

Monday 19th May - School photos class/leavers

Tuesday 20th May - Sports Day (EY/KS1/KS2)

Wednesday 21st May - New intake meeting

Thursday 22nd May - PTA Disco

Friday 23rd May - School closes for half term

Monday 9th June - School opens

w/c/ 9th June - Year 1 Phonics Screen and Year 4 MTC check

# Community noticeboard

# PERCUSSION HOLIDAY CLUB

### BY POYNTON DRUM SCHOOL

Tuesday 15 April 2025

Explore a variety of percussion instruments, including a full drum kit, in this high energy day. Perfect for all skill levels.

- 09:00 15:00
- Ages 7-12
- £35 per child
- 10% discount for Poynton
  Drum School students

Middlewood House, Prince Road, Higher Poynton, SK12 1TW

#### Sign up on our website

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Cheshire East Family Hubs is excited to announce the official launch of its recent partnership with the Solihull Approach; trusted NHS provider of online courses focused on children's emotional health and wellbeing. Through this collaboration, Cheshire East Family Hubs funds a multi-user license, enabling all residents within the council's area to access a comprehensive range of online courses on <u>www.inourplace.co.uk</u> at no cost.







### FREE WILDCAT FOOTBALL

The perfect way for girls aged 5-11 to get involved with football, make new friends & have fun.

We offer a clear pathway through to playing for our teams on a Saturday



# Easter PERFORM Holiday Clubs Bradshaw Hall Primary School

Tuesday 15th, Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th April There will be different Disney themes each day including: Lion King, Moana, Aladdin, Descendants and much more! Open to all children aged 3 to 11 years

Each day is a combination of singing, dancing and drama



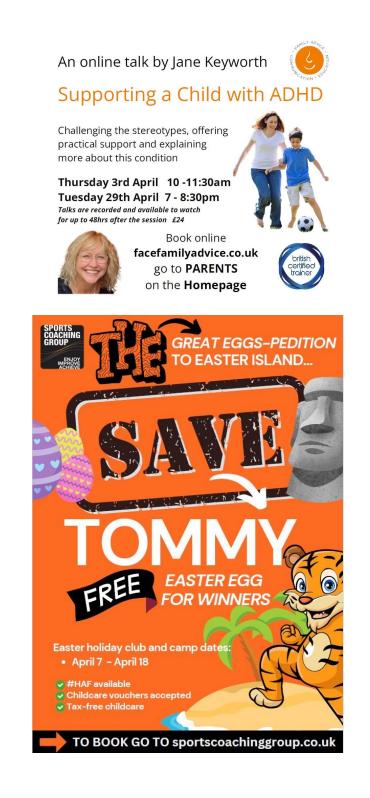
**Cost:** £35 per day All childcare vouchers accepted **Timings:** From 8am to 5pm

www.rattleandrollperformance.com or call 07722 014301

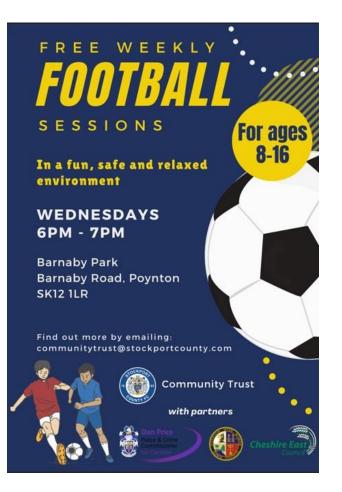
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Would you like to eat more healthily as a family, but you're not sure where to begin or how to manage it without breaking the bank? This workshop helps the whole family to eat well for less including:

- Tips for a cheaper, healthy shopping basket
- Healthy meal planning to make the most of the food you buy
- Recipes for tasty, simple and healthy low-cost meals

#### Event details: Nantwich and Rural Childrens

Centre Dog lane Nantwich CW5 5GX Date: 22nd April 2025

Time: 1-3pm For more details or to book a place, please email Startforlifesouth@cheshireeast.g ov.uk



| G FACE Easter Timetable<br>all sessions delivered live online via zoom £24 each 90 minutes long<br>book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk |               |  |
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| Facing Defiance  | 7 April 7pm   |  |
| Anxiety Based School Avoidance   | 8 April 10am  |  |
| Understanding Anger  | 8 April 7PM   |  |
| Anxiety Explained  | 14 APR 10am   |  |
| Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness  | 14 APR 7pm    |  |
| What is ACT  | 15 April 10am |  |
| Introduction to OCD  | 15 April 7pm  |  |
| Supporting Healthy Sleep   | 22 April 10am |  |
| Understanding the Teenage Brain  | 22 April 7pm  |  |
| FREE Responding to Angry Behaviour   | 24 April 7pm  |  |
| Improving Family Communication   | 28 April 10am |  |
| Autism Improving Communication   | 28 April 7pm  |  |
| Understanding Addictive Behaviour  | 29 April 10am |  |
| Supporting a Child with ADHD   | 29 April 7pm  |  |
| Anxiety Based School Avoidance   | 6 May 7pm     |  |