



Lowerhouse Junior School Newsletter

Friday 9th January 2026



At Lowerhouse Junior School, we build everything we do around our four key values of **Aspiration, Integrity, Resilience** and **Respect**
Our School Motto is *'Inspiring a lifelong love for learning.'*

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back. We hope you all had a lovely break with friends and family and are looking forward to 2026. The children all looked ready for school on Monday.....even walking through the snow. We have had a busy (and cold) start and are certainly getting back into the swing of things. Everybody in school is looking forward to working with you all in the year ahead and making 2026 an amazing year for Lowerhouse Junior School! Please continue to check Dates for The Diary as well as Class Dojo throughout the term.

Best wishes

Mr G Lloyd

Headteacher



The School's Attendance Target is 95%

Class	Attendance
Elm	We will update this once we have received our first full week attendance for the Spring Term
Willow	
Maple	
Rowan	
Chestnut	
Oak	
Ash	
Sycamore	
Last term's winners are... Elm and Ash	

Headteacher's Value of the Week – ASPIRATION

Y3 Elm	Y3 Willow
Ella	Lily-Mae
Y4 Maple	Y4 Rowan
Darcie	Maisie
Y5 Chestnut	Y5 Oak
Taylor	Victoria
Y6 Ash	Y6 Sycamore
Jack	Leo
Class Dojo Winners	
Lower Juniors	Upper Juniors
Rowan	Oak

Stars of the Week

Y3 Elm	Y3 Willow
Arthur	Tommy
Y4 Maple	Y4 Rowan
Harrison J	Darcy
Y5 Chestnut	Y5 Oak
Quinn G	Noah
Y6 Ash	Y6 Sycamore
Max	Daphne
	Maple Winner Hollie Rowan Winner Sophie E

Yr3 Bikeability Sessions

Year 3 had a fantastic end to the week with Go Velo in their Bike Ability sessions! They looked at developing their cycling skills and some making amazing progress learning to ride with more confidence. Thank you to Go Velo for their amazing support in helping our children develop amazing life skills.



Darts Club off to a "Bullseye" Start

What a fantastic start to our Yr5/6 Darts Club! Mr Cosgrove and the children from Yr6 Ash made the most of their lunch break, honing their skills and having a great time. We are looking forward to other classes trying it over the term. Are we going to see the next PDC champion emerge from our school soon? Keep up the amazing work, everyone!



Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

Year 4 continue to focus on trial runs of the Multiplication Times Table Check (M.T.C.). The staff in Year 4 tell me the children continue to work well and are improving by the day. If your child is in Year 4, please keep practising their tables with them. The check will take place later in the school year so there is still time to cram in some revision beforehand. **Don't forget, children are expected to know all their tables up to 12x12 by the end of Year 4.** As the old saying goes...practise makes perfect!



Curriculum In Action: Science – Materials (Y3 Willow)

Exciting Science in Year 3! Our young scientists have been investigating forces by spinning tops on various surfaces to discover which one allows them to spin the longest! Their enthusiasm and curiosity are truly inspiring, and we couldn't be prouder of their achievements in exploring their work! Keep up the fantastic work, Year 3!



Attendance



Dates for The Diary

- 9th January** – Yr4 Forest School starts (Rowan am & Maple pm)
- 15th January** – Girls Football Fixtures v Ciliviger & Rosewood
- 22nd January** – Yr3/4 Football Fixture v Rosewood
- 26th January** – Library Bus Visit to School
- 27th January** – Yr5/6 Sportshall Athletics Competition
- 28th December** – Yr4, 5 and 6 Girls Cricket Initiative (am)
- 2nd February** – Valentines Disco (Yr3/4 3:30pm & Yr5/6 5:00pm)
- 3rd February** – Speed Stacking Festival (am) and Speed Stacking Competition (pm)
- 5th February** - Great Athletes Visit Sporting Afternoon (All classes on a rota)



Online Safety Tip

What Parents and Carers Need to Know about WhatsApp

With more than two billion users, WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service. Its end-to-end encryption only allows messages to be viewed by the sender and any recipients: not even WhatsApp itself can read them. This privacy issue has been in the spotlight recently, as the UK's Online Safety Bill proposes to end encryptions on private messages.



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Picture News & British Value!

Are emojis an important part of communication?

British Values

Mutual Respect and Tolerance

We are all different. Learning about each other can help us understand and respect one another. Emojis should represent our diverse world and be inclusive.

Staff Shout Out

Each week we like to celebrate our amazing staff and the hard work they put in for everybody at school. Our winner this week is.....



Mr Cosgrove because he gave up his lunch time to start our Darts Club.



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