



# Lowerhouse Junior School Newsletter

## Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 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,

What an eventful week it has been at school! The sun has been shining, making our days even brighter as we dive into all our learning activities both in and out of the classroom. Just a reminder, everyone - the **school will be closed on Monday 4th May** for Bank Holiday Monday. Enjoy the long weekend and make sure to recharge those batteries for more filled learning when we return on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May!**



*Mr G Lloyd*

Headteacher

### The School's Attendance

Target is 95%

Class	Attendance
Elm	100%
Willow	96%
Maple	96%
Rowan	92%
Chestnut	96.2%
Oak	92%
Ash	95%
Sycamore	96%

WC 20<sup>th</sup> April winners are...  
**Elm and Chestnut**

### Headteacher's Value of the Week – RESPECT

<u>Y3 Elm</u>	<u>Y3 Willow</u>
Ola	Henry
<u>Y4 Maple</u>	<u>Y4 Rowan</u>
Seb	Casper
<u>Y5 Chestnut</u>	<u>Y5 Oak</u>
Julian	Victoria
<u>Y6 Ash</u>	<u>Y6 Sycamore</u>
Jorgie	Jude
<b>Class Dojo Winners</b>	
<u>Lower Juniors</u>	<u>Upper Juniors</u>
Maple	Oak

★ Stars of the Week ★	
<u>Y3 Elm</u>	<u>Y3 Willow</u>
Joseph	Charlie
<u>Y4 Maple</u>	<u>Y4 Rowan</u>
Billy & Louis	Harper
<u>Y5 Chestnut</u>	<u>Y5 Oak</u>
Blake	Aidan
<u>Y6 Ash</u>	<u>Y6 Sycamore</u>
Maggie	Amelia
<b>Maple Winner</b> Stanley & Elsie <b>Rowan Winner</b> Whole Class	

### Year 3 Art Trip to Gawthorpe Hall

We're absolutely bursting with pride after a fantastic morning at Gawthorpe Hall this week! Our Year 3 children truly shone, showcasing their enthusiasm and creativity while sketching the stunning surroundings. Their artwork will set the stage for upcoming Art lessons as they recreate their sketches in the vibrant style of David Hockney's iPad art. Thank you to our amazing Year 3 team and everyone who made this outing possible. Stay tuned for their masterpieces!



### No Toys or Cards in School

We've seen a few toys and trading cards coming into school recently. To avoid things getting lost or causing upset, please make sure children **do not bring these items in**.

If anything does come into school, staff will keep it safe and return it at the end of the day.

Thank you for your support.



### Yr3/4 Athletics Competition and Sports Council Leaders

What a fantastic Thursday afternoon hosting the Year 3/4 Athletics competition with Lowerhouse **Red, Blue,** and **Purple**, plus Whittlefield and St Mary's! Our Sports Council did a great job running the event. The children showed their skills in throwing, jumping, and relays. Thank you to Mr O'Brien, Miss Baxendale, Mr Pope, Miss Sutcliffe, and Mr Cosgrove for their support, and a shout out to our parents for cheering on our athletes!

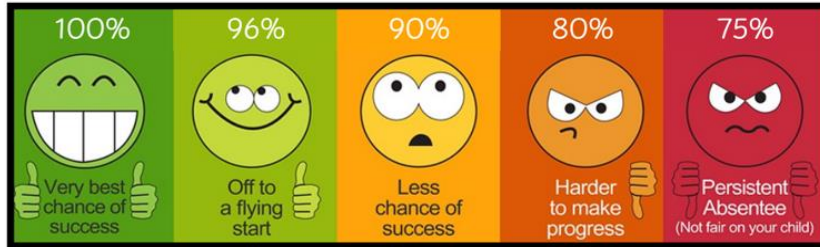


## Curriculum In Action: Computing – Digital Art: Vector (Yr5 Oak)

This week, the Year 5 Oak class showed their computing skills by using iPads to create vector drawings of colourful parrots. Each student explored design techniques, demonstrating their creativity and technical abilities. The bright colours and details of their artwork brought the parrots to life! The class enjoyed working together and sharing tips, enhancing their learning experience. We look forward to seeing how these skills develop in future projects.



## Attendance



## Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



**Did You Know... ?**

In a School Year, if Your Child is Late Every Day by:	Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately:	or They Would Have Missed Approximately:
5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance



## Online Safety Tip

### What Parents and Carers Need to know about Streamers

Livestreaming is now a major part of children's entertainment, evolving from gamers sharing screens into a booming industry with diverse personalities. While watching streamers can be entertaining, it comes with no small number of risks for children, such as misinformation, negative influences, and inappropriate content.



## Dates for The Diary

- 4<sup>th</sup> May** – Bank Holiday: School Closed
- 6<sup>th</sup> May** – Yr5/6 Tag Rugby Competition
- 7<sup>th</sup> May** – Yr5 Debt Awareness & Money Management Lessons
- 11<sup>th</sup> May-14<sup>th</sup> May** – Yr6 SATS Week
- 11<sup>th</sup> May** - STEM - Mad Science Event (Yr4)
- 12<sup>th</sup> May** – Yr3/4 Cross-Country Race
- 14<sup>th</sup> May** - Parent Workshop - Lego Challenge
- 14<sup>th</sup> May** - Yr3/4 Football Fixture v Hessandford
- 21<sup>st</sup> May** - Y6 Canoeing at Finsley Gate Wharf
- 22<sup>nd</sup> May** – Whole School Colour Run for Pendle Hospice (pm)
- 22<sup>nd</sup> May** – Finish for Half Term
- 1<sup>st</sup> June** – INSET: School Closed
- 2<sup>nd</sup> June** – Start Summer 2 Half Term

## Picture News & British Value!

**Why do some people become so important to the world?**

**British Values**  
I Really Do Matter!

Which British value do you think this week's story highlights?

This story relates to Rule of Law. This is because rules apply to everyone. From world leaders to giant companies, we must all follow the same rules to protect our planet.

This story relates to Democracy because it shows we have the right to use our voices and share our opinions to help protect the environment.

Do you agree with either person, or think something different?

## 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.....



### Miss Graham

because she continues to promote reading and library club in school and at lunchtimes.



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