



Dear Parents and Carers,

Following our half-termly visit from the Education Welfare Officer, I am delighted to share that attendance rates at Lower Heath are above national figures (97% v 94%). Thank you for being such a vital part of this success. (You can view your child's attendance rate in the Arbor Parent App – recommended attendance is 97%) However, we do have some children with attendance below 90%, which is concerning, as this means they are missing 20 days of school every year. In addition, some families are regularly late. We understand that mornings can be challenging, but please aim to arrive by 8:35am when the gate opens to ensure your child has a positive start to the day. If your child says they feel unwell but has no temperature or other symptoms, please send them into school and we will monitor them closely. Often, they feel better once they are here with their friends and teachers. High attendance is so important as it is linked to better life outcomes for our children. We very much appreciate your continued support in maintaining strong attendance.

As we approach the end of the spring term, it's a wonderful time to reflect on our achievements and the incredible experiences we've shared. Despite the challenges posed by our location (which limits safe walking access) and our small staff team, our children do not miss out on enriching activities. Thank you and well done to everyone who has played their part this term!

Some of the highlights of this term include our Children in Charge Day, whole school visit to Market Drayton library, our visits to Elmhurst Care Home, trip to Bickley Farm, Bikeability and various other workshops enjoyed by all classes. Our community Bingo event was a great success as well as the trip to Nishkam Primary in Wolverhampton. This week, Skylark class enjoyed an immersive Victorian Day, stepping back in time to experience the life and times of the Victorian era. Meanwhile, Owl class participated in a hands-on workshop that brought their Ancient Greece studies to life, enhancing their learning in a truly engaging way. We are incredibly fortunate to have such a dedicated and hardworking staff team who make all these activities possible. Looking ahead, we are eagerly anticipating the Drama Club performance of Wind in the Willows next week. Don't forget to contact the office for tickets!

As this is our last bulletin before we break up for Easter on the 11th April, we wish you all a wonderful holiday. Enjoy the sunshine, stay safe and indulge in some Easter eggs. Thank you for everything this term, and we look forward to another exciting term when we return on Monday 28th April.

Helen Reynolds
Headteacher



CELEBRATION

Happy Birthday to:

Kimi, George, Marlee-Rae, Owen, Lily and Archie St who had birthdays this week or will be celebrating over Easter!



AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to this week's **Award winners**, who are:

Tommy D, Millie, Eliza P, Jacob S

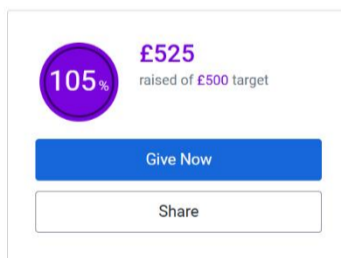


EVENTS



- **8th and 9th April:** 6:30-8pm Wind in the Willows performance
- **11th April:** Break up for Easter
- **28th April:** Children return to school
- **5th May:** Bank Holiday (school closed)
- **6th May:** Kingfisher library visit
- **12th May:** Year 6 SATs week
- **16th May:** 3:30pm – Clothing Sale
- **23rd May:** Break up for half-term
- **2nd June:** Return to school
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- **4th June:** 4pm - Shropshire Sings
- **11th-13th June:** Owl Class Pioneer Residential
- **27th June:** 3:30 – summer fair and art exhibition
- **30th June:** Sports Day – am: Robin and Skylark, pm: Kingfisher and Owl classes
- **1st July:** 1:30-3:30 – Hummingbird Sports Day
- **10th July:** Kingfisher trip to Weston Park
- **17th July:** Parent transition meetings
- **21st July:** Year 6 Leavers Trip
- **23rd July:** Leavers Assembly
- **23rd July:** Sleepover
- **24th July:** Break up for Summer holidays

THANK YOU EVERYONE! You've raised an incredible £525 for the colour run!



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The following children will be sharing their Speak and Shine performances in the summer term:

2 nd May	Francesca	Emily	Cleo, Eliza K
9 th May	Hunter, Elsie	Astrid	Jacob L, Ralph
16 th May	Harper, Oakley	Anura	Matthew, Lauren
23 rd May	Isla-Rae,	Neville	Oliver, Rueben



WORSHIP

Summer 1 half term, we will be focussing on our Christian Value of LOVE.

Our Bible story linked to this value is 'The Lost Sheep'. Follow this link to hear the story read beautifully by Eli: [The Lost Sheep](#)



The Christian value of LOVE teaches our children the importance of caring for and seeking out those who are lost or in need, just as the shepherd in The Lost Sheep story searches to find the one sheep who has been lost from his flock. This story illustrates that every individual is valuable and deserving of love and compassion.

