

Newsletter date: Friday 11th July 2025

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“Though your beginning was small,
your future will flourish indeed.”

Dear Parents and Carers,

It continues to be a busy time at Dr Walkers and this week has been no exception.

A delightful service at St Nicholas’ church was held for the Year 6 Leavers and despite the technical issues, Rev Julia led a moving service for those who will be moving on to secondary school. The whole school sang two of their favourite songs and Rev Julia talked about how moving on can be a little scary but is also an exciting transition and one to be embraced. The Year 6 children read their memories of their time at Dr Walkers and were presented with a bible from the Dr Walker Trust.

Rev Julia comes into school every other week with the Open the Book team to lead Family Collective Worship (see next date in the side box) and is well known to the children. Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend these sessions to share with their child/ren.

On Wednesday, several children attended a celebration at Frances Bardsley Academy, along with other Life primary schools, as part of a celebration to acknowledge children who have shown consistent Life Values at school. Well done to Tilly, Paul, John-James, Sidney, Teddy and Harley for their awards. The Bell ringing club was also invited to play to a large audience and we were so proud of how well they did when they have only been playing for a matter of weeks.

We offer a **FREE breakfast club** – for all – from 8:00am to 8:30am and the gates open at 8:00am. A healthy breakfast is provided. Registration closes at 8:45am, by which time your child should be settled in the classroom ready for learning. Should you need any support, please do let us know. Please make use of this if you need support to ensure that your child attends school every day, on time.

		ATTENDANCE MATTERS	
95%	=	40 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days	WHAT DO YOUR ATTENDANCE FIGURES ACTUALLY MEAN? BE SMART BE THERE! <small>Percentages based on 190 academic days</small>
90%	=	80 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day	
85%	=	120 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days	
80%	=	160 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days	

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Hafise Nazif (Executive Head Teacher)

Mrs Jenny Dean (Head of School)

Jesus said “I am the Light of the world.” John 8.12

Why do you think he said this? When someone tells the truth it is as if a light has been switched on and things are clearer to see. If someone tries to cover or hide the truth it becomes confusing and harder to work out what is real or true. Sometimes we only see part of the picture, and part of the truth can be misleading.



TERM DATES:

Upcoming Dates and Events

Family Collective Worship – Open the Book

Monday 21st July 2025

30th June British Week – Tennis Week – Whole school and Strawberries

1st July Zoe Bear’s 9th Birthday – Cupcake Competition

1st July Children to meet new class teachers

4th July Swimming – Maple class

9th July Year 6 Leaver’s Service – St Nicholas’ Church

9:00am

10th July End of Year Reports home to parents

11th July: INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN

15th July Sports afternoon **from 1:00pm**

17th July: Whole school trip to Southend

18th July: Last swimming lesson – Maple

18th July: FODW Summer Garden Party **3:00pm – 4:15pm**

21st July Music Concert – whole school 2pm

21st July Year 6 Activities afternoon

22nd July Whole School Year 6 Farewell Collective Worship

22nd July Children, Parent/Carer, Staff Picnic 12pm

Tuesday 22nd July: End of academic year – 1:00pm finish (after registration)



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National: 95% Our School Target: 96%

	WC 02.06.25	WC 09.06.25	WC 16.06.25	WC 23.06.25	WC 07.07.25	WC 14.07.25	WC 21.07.25
Willow	89%	94%	89%	79%	TBC	TBC	
Sycamore	92%	88%	93%	93%	TBC	TBC	
Maple	78%	83%	91%	86%	TBC	TBC	
Whole School	86%	88%	91%	86%	TBC	TBC	

Is my child too ill for school?

Please find attached [poster](#)
and [NHS website guidance](#).

Head Prefects and Life Ambassadors

During collective worship on Thursday, Year 5 pupils gave speeches to the whole school about the qualities they believed they had to become Head Prefects. Maci, Alice, Phoebe and Amelia all stood up to speak and the whole school voted to decide who would take on these roles. All of the new Year 6 pupils will be Prefects with 2 selected Head Prefects for 2025/2026. These names will be announced next week.



Bell Ringers' performance



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