



# Weekly Newsletter



## News of the Week

### In the news this week

A toy company called Mattel has released a new Barbie doll designed to represent people who have autism, with features such as a fidget spinner and noise-cancelling headphones. The doll was created with help from the autistic community, so more people can see themselves reflected in their toys.

#### Things to talk about at home ...

- Do you think it's important for toys to show different kinds of people?
- How do you feel when you see a character or toy that is like you?
- Can you come up with other examples of books or toys that aim to help people feel included?
- How can we help other people feel included when they might feel different or left out?

## Sandiway Sporting Success



Well done to our Year 5 and 6 Quick Sticks Hockey Super Stars for competing in the Vale Royal School Partnership Competition on Monday 2nd February at Weaverham High School. Despite the cold the team did amazing. We are so proud of you all, well done true Sandiway Ambassadors.

## Club Rock Summer Holiday Club 2026

We are delighted that we are able to once again offer a holiday club this Summer. The days we will be running holiday club are from Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> August inclusive. We are currently creating our itinerary, here is a small taste of what we have done in previous years:

Games day, Summer Beach Club day, Sand Art with Jo, Wheels day, Harry Potter Day, Crafting, STEM day, Films and Popcorn, visit from the Fire Service, visit from the mobile library, baking, party games and so much more! **No electronic devices and to be brought to school – thank you for your support.**

**How to book:** Log on to IPAL using this unique link - [iPAL: Booking, payment and management system - Dashboard](#)

- If you have not used IPAL before you will firstly need to register your children.
- Bookings go live on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 6pm. If your chosen date is sold out, please add your name to the waiting list so that we can adjust our staffing ratios where needed (if possible).
- From here you will be able to make bookings – look for the purple Summer Holiday tile.

**Our ROCK values are Respect, Ownership, Caring and Kindness**



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## Book Swap

As we approach the end of this half term, we will be holding our next Book Swap event on the last day of the half term (Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February). As with our previous events so far this year, we ask for children to bring in a pre-loved, age-appropriate book that is in good condition to swap with their classmates.

This year is the National Year of Reading 2026 which is intended to reignite reading for pleasure, strengthen literacy outcomes, and reconnect families and communities through books. This is one of our events, supporting the initiative. We hope the event inspires lots of enthusiastic conversation about books between our children and at home.

## World Book Day

Continuing with the theme of inspiring reading, World Book Day this year is on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March. We are going to be running the theme of 'Bedtime Stories'. Children can choose to dress up as a favourite character or come to school in their pyjamas. It is also fine to opt out of dressing up and come in school uniform. The children should also bring their favourite bedtime story (novel/book for the older children) and a cuddly toy if they would like to. We will then have a log fire (on the class whiteboards) and enjoy sharing stories/extracts with one and other. Hopefully by letting you know our intention now, you will have plenty of time to get a costume prepared, if that is what your child chooses. We look forward to a fun day!

## Hot Chocolate Friday....

Well done to all our children who all won Headteachers Award on Friday 29th January 2026 for showing Respect.



Rec Class – Xavier  
Year 1 – Ted  
Year 2 – Eric  
Year 3 – Eddie  
Year 4 – Mina  
Year 5 – Autumn  
Year 6 – Charlie  
Club – Heath  
Office - Jacob  
Andy – Harrison & Seth  
Music – Poppy, Amelia, Margaret, Pippa & Molly

## Weekly attendance

### w/c 26.01.2026

Year Rec	92.67%
Year 1	95.52%
Year 2	<b>98.67%</b>
Year 3	96.21%
Year 4	98.62%
Year 5	97.31%
Year 6	95.67%