



# Newsletter

Friday 1st May 2026

## This Week in Our School

It's been a really busy and exciting week at Lower Farm! We've enjoyed wonderful music concerts, welcomed visits from our Governors and Trust, and finished up our recent Book Fair. Thanks to your generosity, we have lots of fantastic new books on their way for the children to enjoy. With the lovely weather, the children have also been able to make the most of our school field at lunchtimes, which has been a real highlight. We hope the sunshine continues and wish you all a relaxing and happy bank holiday weekend.

### Our Learning



### Key Dates!



- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May:** Bank Holiday (School Closed)
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May:** Yr 5 and 6 Music Concert
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May:** Year 6 SATs Week
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May:** Year 1 Assembly (details below)
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May:** Half Term
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June:** KS1 Sports Day 9am
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June:** KS2 Sports Day 9am
- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July:** Non-Uniform Day (Gift Donation)
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July:** Transition Day
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July:** Non-Uniform (Bottle Donation)
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July:** Summer Fayre (after school)
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July:** School Closes at 1:30pm  
Wraparound (MHR) closes 3:30pm

## Seesaw

Here at Lower Farm, we pride ourselves on the vast array of learning taking place across our school each day. From Art to Music, PE to PSHE and everything in between, we love providing exciting learning opportunities for our children. We share these on Seesaw each week, so please ensure you are signed up to see what your children are learning.



# Things to Celebrate!



## Value Awards



- BEECH - Nova
- BIRCH - Murphie
- CHERRY - Judah
- CHESTNUT - Olivia
- ELDER - Elsie
- ELM - Ella
- HAZEL - Sheridan
- HOLLY - Aurora
- OAK = Ryan
- OLIVE - David
- PINE - George
- POPLAR - Habeeba
- WALNUT - Karam



## Year 1 Assembly – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May

We would like to invite you into school at 2:30pm to watch your child showcase their Geography learning. The children are very excited to share what they have been learning about, including the work they have completed and the knowledge they have gained. This will be a lovely opportunity for you to celebrate their progress with us. We hope you can join us!

## Attendance!

For week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Beech Class:	92.7%
Birch Class:	98.3%
Cherry Class:	93.3%
Chestnut Class:	94.7%
Elder Class:	93.7%
Elm Class:	93.4%
Hazel Class:	93.8%
Holly Class:	93.3%
Oak Class:	93.8%
Olive Class:	90.3%
Pine Class:	97.7%
Poplar Class:	95.4%
Walnut Class:	97.3%



Congratulations to those classes that have reached an attendance of 97% or above!



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# Shout Outs!

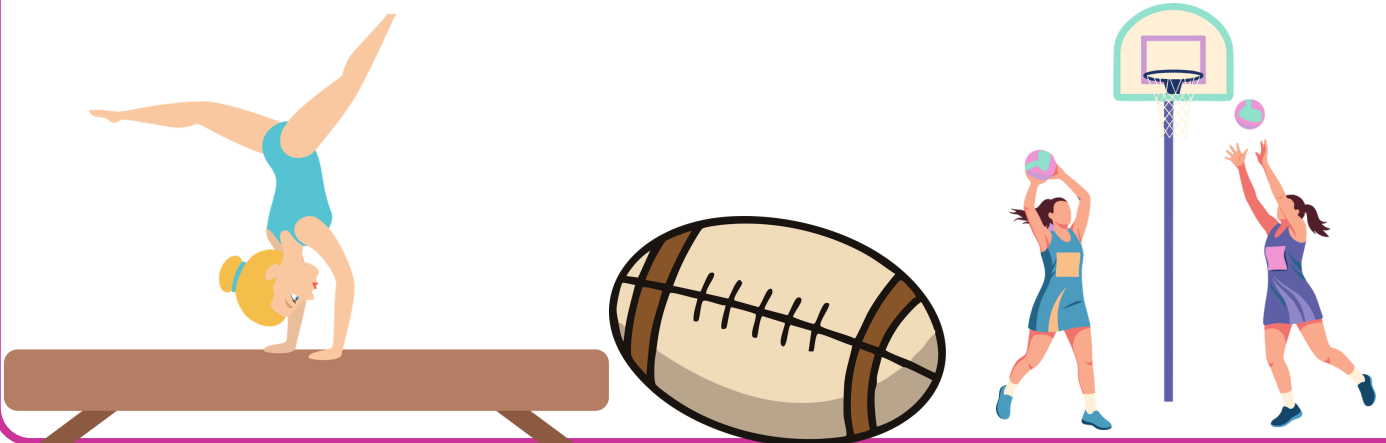
We are incredibly lucky to have such a dedicated and caring team at our school, who consistently go above and beyond for our children. Many of our staff generously give up their own time to run a wide range of sports clubs, social clubs and academic booster sessions, helping children to build confidence, develop new skills and enjoy learning even more. We wanted to add a special place on our newsletter for parents to nominate staff who they feel deserve shout outs. You can do this by emailing [office@lowerfarmacademy.org](mailto:office@lowerfarmacademy.org) with the staff member's name and what makes them great!

This week we'll start with a group of staff who have been noticed by our governors:



A special thank you goes to Mr Coulter, Miss Payne, Miss McGuckin and Miss Walford, who routinely stay after school to lead sports clubs such as netball, gymnastics, football and tag rugby. Their commitment, energy and enthusiasm make a real difference and are truly appreciated by pupils, parents and staff alike.

Also, Mr Coulter has organised, trained and accompanied many teams to multiple sporting events in the local area, bringing back trophies, medals and smiles from all who participate. We have formidable teams taking part across Nuneaton and we are building up a great reputation for sport!





# Mental Health in Schools Team Tips For Wellness

## Keep Learning

Learning doesn't just happen in school! Encouraging your child to explore, discover, and try new things helps their brain grow, boosts confidence, and builds resilience. Here are some practical ways you can support learning at home and beyond. Learning boosts self-esteem and confidence, encourages curiosity and creativity and strengthens social and emotional skills.

### Our tips for learning at home:

#### 1. Explore Interests Together

- Ask your child what excites them and encourage hobbies or projects.
- Try new activities like cooking, gardening, or a science experiment.

#### 2. Read, Read, Read

- Share books, stories, or articles that interest them.
- Make reading fun – explore comics, graphic novels, or audio books.

#### 3. Ask Questions & Encourage Curiosity

- Stimulate thinking by asking “why” or “how” questions.
- Support them in finding answers, experimenting, and reflecting.

#### 4. Learn Through Play

- Games, puzzles, building projects, or coding apps make learning enjoyable.
- Encourage creativity through drawing, music, or role-play.

#### 5. Celebrate Small Wins

- Praise effort, not just results.
- Recognize achievements, even if it's learning a new skill slowly.

#### 6. Explore the world

- Go on nature walks, visit local parks, museums, or libraries.
- Ask questions like, “What do you notice?” or “Why do you think that happens?”

### Quick Ideas to Get Started Today

- Start a “family challenge” to learn something new weekly
- Visit local museums, libraries, or nature reserves
- Set aside a daily “curiosity time” for experiments or crafts

In Coventry and Warwickshire, for any urgent mental health concerns, contact the RISE Crisis Helpline available 24/7, by calling NHS 111. Alternatively, call 999 or visit A&E in an emergency, for example if medical attention is required.

MHST are available to support you and your school throughout the school year including term time and school holidays.

Please contact your school's Mental Health Lead for information and advice.