

# NEWS CORNER

The latest news and information about  
Mulberry Wood Wharf Primary.

Mulberry  
Wood Wharf Primary

Outstanding  
and good in  
all areas.

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Outstanding in  
Behaviour and  
Attitudes

Good in Quality  
of Education

Good in  
Leadership and  
Management

Outstanding  
Personal  
Development

Outstanding in  
Early Years  
Provision

Part of the  
Mulberry  
Trust

Friday 5<sup>th</sup>  
September 2025

## Sarah Jane's reflection of the week

Welcome back to a brand-new academic year at Mulberry Wood Wharf Primary! I hope you all had a wonderful summer break. It has been so lovely welcoming back our families and meeting new ones too. The school feels alive again with the excitement of children's voices and energy filling the classrooms and corridors.

Our staff have been working incredibly hard this week to make sure that classrooms look welcoming, purposeful, and inspiring. On Monday, we had a full day of phonics training with a specialist consultant who came into school to lead it, it was a brilliant and valuable session that will really support our teaching and your children's learning.

We also had an external trainer in school to lead our safeguarding training, something that we do regularly and that is always a top priority for us. Alongside this, staff spent time talking about our school priorities for the year and we are feeling really inspired and excited about the year ahead.

Next week, our Meet the Teacher sessions will begin. You will also receive your half-term curriculum letter from your class teacher. This will include key learning, important dates, and ideas for how you can support your child at home. Teachers will also be explaining our "Give Me 10" initiative.

Our first Celebration Assembly with parents will take place next Friday, 12th September, we look forward to sharing your children's achievements with you.

At Mulberry Wood Wharf, we want every child to experience a rich education that develops their skills, creativity, and sense of belonging. We are embedding our core values in all that we do:

Kindness  
Resilience  
Creativity  
Respect  
Being active (body and mind)  
Community

Looking ahead at the calendar, it is already shaping up to be a busy and exciting year with so many opportunities for learning and growth. Please make sure you log on to Arbor and download the app so you don't miss any updates.

We are also welcoming lots of new staff this term. I know you will join me in making them feel part of our school family.

As we begin the year, let's set the tone with healthy habits: early bedtimes, daily reading after school, a balanced diet, plenty of time outdoors and in nature, and limited screen time. Most importantly, please remember that every school day matters. Taking time off for holidays has a real impact on children's progress, so please ensure your child is here every day and on time. Realistically, children spend so few hours in school when weekends and holidays are taken into account, every minute of learning truly counts.

Here's to a fantastic year ahead filled with joy, learning, and success for every child.

# Tiger Class

The Tiger Class had a roaring start to their first week of school in Early Years! 🐅  
The children settled in beautifully, exploring their new classroom with wide-eyed curiosity and joyful energy. From creating colourful collages to building imaginative worlds with natural resources, each day was filled with laughter, learning, and new friendships. Teachers were thrilled to see the children growing in confidence as they embraced new routines and expectations. It's been an exciting beginning, and we can't wait to see what adventures lie ahead!



# Blue Whale Class

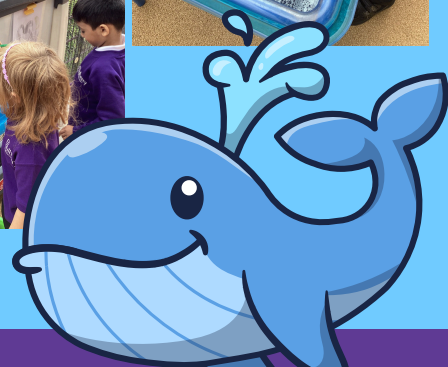
The reception children have had a fantastic start to the new year, and the team are so proud of the way they have settled into this exciting new journey. It has been wonderful to see how brave and confident they have been, whether greeting familiar faces or making new connections with their classmates. Already, the children are beginning to build trust in the environment and the adults around them, which has helped them feel safe and ready to explore. They have shown great curiosity, engaging enthusiastically with table-top activities and showing interest in the resources available to them. The role play area has been especially popular, with many children using it to recreate familiar environments such as their home, allowing them to bring their own experiences into their play. We are so excited for all the learning that is going to take place and can't wait to see how the children continue to grow and flourish throughout the year.



## REMINDER

Meet the Teacher sessions will take place at 3:45pm  
in your child's classroom

Monday 21st September - 3:45pm – Reception



# Lion Class

We're delighted to welcome all the children and their families to Lion class for the new academic year. It was heartwarming to see lots of children arrive with big smiles and such enthusiasm. Lion class were eager to explore different areas of the classroom and dive into a range of exciting learning activities. We're really looking forward to a year full of fun, learning and wonderful memories together.

Hafsa, Mukta and Andy.



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in your child's classroom

Monday 8th September – 3:45pm - Year 1

# Panda Class

These first few days with Panda class have been fun! The children have enjoyed catching up with one another, and we have all been getting to know each other better. It has been wonderful to see the children engaging with activities that spark their interests and give them the chance to showcase their strengths. Together we have thought about our class charter, thinking about how we want to structure our days and how we want to be seen as a team. A real highlight has been naming our pandas (Penelope and Coco) which has made our classroom feel even more special.



Elephant Class have made a brilliant start to Year 2! They've been busy settling into their new classroom, which they absolutely love, and have shown great enthusiasm in establishing new routines. The children have been navigating their new space with care and respect, helping to create a calm and happy learning environment. Together, they've worked on building a thoughtful class charter, sharing ideas about how they want to treat one another and what kind of classroom they want to be part of. It's been a fantastic beginning, full of positivity and teamwork!

# Elephant Class



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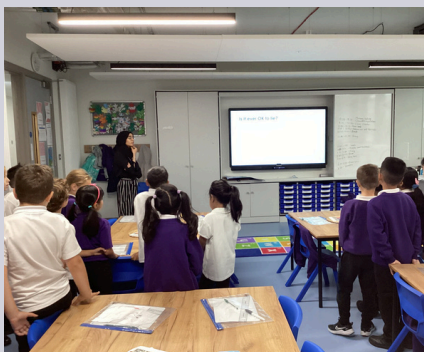
Meet the Teacher sessions will take place at **3:45pm** in your child's classroom

**Tuesday 9th September – 3:45pm – Year 2**

# Penguin Class

What a fantastic first few days it has been back at Wood Wharf! It's been such a joy getting to know the children as we settle into our classroom routine. From the very first morning, they've come in with big smiles, open hearts, and plenty of enthusiasm for the year ahead. One of our favourite moments so far has been circle time with Oreo the Penguin – our very cuddly class mascot! Oreo helps us start the day by sharing thoughts, feelings, and stories, and the children have already formed a lovely bond with him. He's been a great way to help us feel connected as a group. We've also had lots of fun with movement breaks throughout the day – from dancing to short games that get us moving and laughing. These moments give the children a chance to refresh their minds and bodies, and they've embraced them with so much energy! It's already clear that we have a kind, curious, and creative class, and I'm truly excited for all the learning and growing we'll do together this year. Thank you for your support in making the return to school such a positive experience.





# Koala Class

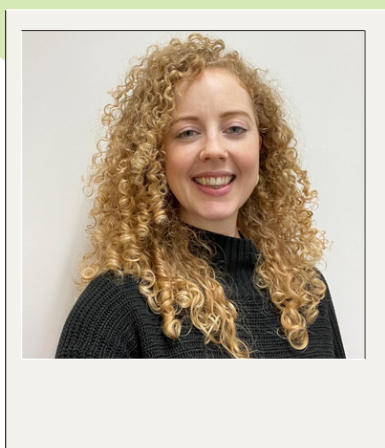


Koala Class has made a wonderful start to the year! The children have settled in brilliantly – showing warmth, enthusiasm, and a real sense of community. Together, we've created our Class Charter, carefully linking it to our school values. The children thought deeply about what respect, responsibility, resilience, and kindness look like in everyday classroom life, and have made thoughtful promises to help make our classroom a safe, happy, and inclusive place for everyone.

As part of our focus on oracy and communication, we've also been engaging in class debates and group discussions. It's been a joy to see their confidence growing already! We are incredibly proud of how quickly the children have embraced these expectations and started building a positive, supportive classroom environment.

Thanks,  
Fawziyah

## LORNA'S UPDATE



Hello everyone,

I'm really excited to be joining the school as Deputy Headteacher. It's been a wonderful first week – the children have made me feel incredibly welcome, and it's been a joy to see them so engaged in the creative, team-building activities that have helped set such a positive tone for the year ahead.

From my very first day, it's been clear that this is a school full of energy, warmth, and ambition. I'm passionate about building an inclusive and inspiring environment where every child feels valued and supported to reach their full potential. I believe in the power of a rich and creative curriculum to spark curiosity, build confidence, and develop a lifelong love of learning.

I'm really looking forward to working in partnership with staff, families, and the wider school community to make this a successful and exciting year for everyone. Please do say hello if you see me around – I'm very much looking forward to getting to know you all.

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in your child's classroom

**Wednesday 10th September – 3:45pm - Year 3**

# ATTENDANCE!

Every Day Counts – Let's Aim for 97% and Above!

We've made a really positive start to the school year – thank you to all our families for helping your children get into great routines early on. At Mulberry Wood Wharf, we know that excellent attendance is absolutely vital for every child's success – both academically and socially.

Missing even a few days of school can mean gaps in learning, missed opportunities to build friendships, and difficulty keeping up with new topics. That's why we're encouraging all pupils to strive for 97% attendance or higher this year.

Let's work together to give every child the best possible chance to thrive – by making sure they're in school, on time, every day. Thank you for your continued support in making attendance a priority.

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

**GOLD – 97+**  
**SILVER – 95 – 97%**  
**BRONZE – 90-95%**

# BACK TO SCHOOL

## UPDATES

- Clubs will start on 22<sup>nd</sup> September (the clubs timetable will go out next week so keep an eye out on arbour)

- Meet the teacher dates and time :


Year 1- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September - 3:45pm


Year 2 - Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September - 3:45pm

Year 3 - Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September - 3:45pm

Reception - Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2025 - 3:45pm

- All First Aid incidents will be emailed to you through Medical Tracker

		
YEARLY PLANNER MONTHLY NOTES 2025/2026		
<b>September</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meet the teacher 08.09.25 - Yr 1- 3:45pm 09.09.25 - Yr 2 - 3:45pm 10.09.25 - Yr 3 - 3:45pm 21.09.25 - Reception :3:45pm</li> <li>• Half term Curriculum letter</li> <li>• Rosh Hashanah (Jewish) - 25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> Sept</li> <li>• Coffee morning TBC</li> </ul>	<b>October</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Black History Month</li> <li>• Mid Autumn Festival - 6<sup>th</sup> Oct</li> <li>• Photo day - 7<sup>th</sup> Oct</li> <li>• Yr 3 Soanes Centre trip - 8<sup>th</sup> Oct</li> <li>• World Mental Health Day - 10<sup>th</sup> Oct</li> <li>• Flu Vaccination (all pupils eligible) - 17<sup>th</sup> Oct</li> <li>• Trust twilight - 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct (NO CLUBS)</li> <li>• Halloween dress up day - 24<sup>th</sup> Oct</li> <li>• Diwali dress up day - 20<sup>th</sup> Oct</li> <li>• Coffee Morning TBC</li> </ul>	<b>November</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bonfire Night - 5<sup>th</sup> Nov</li> <li>• Half Term Curriculum Letter</li> <li>• Anti-Bullying Week - 10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> Nov</li> <li>• Parents Evening - 11<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Nov</li> <li>• Remembrance Day - 11<sup>th</sup> Nov</li> <li>• Festival of Arts - 13<sup>th</sup> Nov</li> <li>• Road Safety Week - 16<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov</li> <li>• Flu Vaccination - 21<sup>st</sup> Nov (All pupils eligible)</li> <li>• Thanksgiving - 27<sup>th</sup> Nov</li> </ul>

					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Mains</b> HAPPY TUMS	Penne Bolognaise Pasta Bake (G,Mk) With Garden Salad	Butchers Sausages with Caramelised Onion Gravy	Aziz,s Chicken Biryani (Mk,Mu)	Mucho Mexican Chicken Burrito Bowl (G,Mk,Mu)	Battered Fish Fillet (G,F) Crispy Chicken Tenders (G,Ce,Mk,Mu,Se)
<b>Veggie</b> MEAT FREE MAINS	Mediterranean Vegetable Lasagne (G,Mk) with Garden Salad	Grilled Veggie Sausages with Caramelised Onion Gravy (G,Ce)	Chickpea & Vegetables Biryani (Mk,Mu)	Mucho Mexican Eat Curious Vegetable Burrito Bowl (G,Mk,Mu)	Crispy Vegetable Samosa with Mango Chutney (G,Mu)
<b>veg</b> EXTRA GOOD	Baked Potato Wedges Steamed Seasonal Greens	Broccoli	Roasted Cauliflower	Spicy Pinto Beans (G)	Garden Peas Baked Beans
<b>carbs</b> FUEL FOOD	Garlic Bread (G,Mk,So)	Creamy Mashed Potatoes	Onion Salad	Zesty Lime Rice Tortilla Chips	Chips
<b>Dessert</b> SOMETHING SWEET	Yoghurt (MK,SO) Fruit	Yoghurt (MK,SO) Fruit	Yoghurt (MK,SO) Fruit	Yoghurt (MK,SO) Fruit	Yoghurt (MK,SO) Fruit
Jacket Potatoes, salad bar, cold desserts and fresh fruit available daily.					
<b>DATES</b> Week 8th Sep, 29th Sep, 20th Oct, 10th Nov, 1st Dec, 22nd Dec	Ce = Celery Cr = Crustacean E = Eggs	F = Fish G = Cereals containing Gluten	L = Lupin Mk = Milk Mo = Molluscs	Mu = Mustard N = Nuts P = Peanuts	Se = Sesame Seeds So = Soya Su = Sulphur Dioxide

**THE FRESH LITTLE ALL-SEASON**  
SEASONALLY FRESH, PERFECTLY PICKED

**SEPTEMBER PEARS**

**OCTOBER SQUASH**

**NOVEMBER APPLES**

**DECEMBER BRUSSEL SPROUTS**

Look for this logo on the menu to try a yummy seasonal special!