

# UNSWORTH NEWS



Unsworth  
Primary School

**MONDAY 12 JANUARY 2026**

## Our New Pre-School

On Wednesday, we proudly opened our new Nursery and Pre-School class, welcoming 13 wonderful children. A warm welcome to Mrs Barlow, our new Nursery Teacher, and Mrs Cunningham, Nursery Teaching Assistant.

We are so proud of our new Nursery and the children have settled in beautifully. Our nursery classroom is a stunning, inviting space designed to inspire learning, and we're continuing to develop our outdoor learning area. We still have a few spaces available for children aged 3 and above, so if you know any local families looking for nursery provision, please let them know!



## New Values and New Awards

After months of thoughtful discussions with staff and our school council, we're excited to introduce three new values that truly reflect what Unsworth stands for. While all values are important and our previous ones remain part of our ethos, these three have been chosen to capture the type of learner we aim to nurture.

This week, I've led two assemblies to help the children explore and understand these values. Why not chat with your child and see what they can remember?

We're also thrilled to unveil our new awards – a fantastic idea from the school council! There's one award for each value, and this week's winners are listed below.

## **Award Winners**

This week's winners. Each class chose three winners, one for each value. Nursery are focusing on kindness and the Linc class on resilience this week.

**YN: Ollie W**

**YR: Eden, Seb, Rae**

**Y1: Seth, Cian, Kilian**

**Y2: Heidi, Hollie, Thea**

**Y3: Chloe, Charlie M, Aarin**

**Y4: Sarrinah, Annabelle H, Edith**

**Y5: Abbie, Sophie, Ivy**

**Y6: Phoebe, Lewis G, Caelan**

**Linc: Jude A**



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## Labelling Clothes

Please ensure all clothes are labelled with childrens' names. Including coats, hats and gloves - thank you!

## Late Arrivals

The system has changed for signing children in or out. From now on any children arriving or leaving via the main entrance must be signed in or out by the parent or carer. Please accompany children to the office if they are late.

Those children that are regularly late are missing valuable learning. Walking into a classroom late is not easy. If you notice you are frequently late then please alter your morning routine to ensure your child arrives by 9am.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January - Flu catch up session, 10.30am**  
**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January - Y6 Class Assembly, 2.40pm**  
**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January - Y5 Class Assembly, 2.40pm**  
**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February - Living Eggs arrive in Y5**  
**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February - Y4 Class Assembly, 2.40pm**  
**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February - Curious Critters in the LinC**  
**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February - school closes for half term**

## Home Learning Grids

For Reception to Year 6 new Home Learning Grids will be available today on SeeSaw and Parent Hub.

At Unsworth, our Home Learning approach focuses on building strong basic skills. We appreciate how busy family life can be with hobbies and quality time together, so we encourage families to prioritise sharing a **love of reading**. Alongside this, we recommend a "little and often" approach to practising age-appropriate basics, such as:

- Phonics and Spelling
- Maths skills – number bonds, basic arithmetic, and times tables

Our aim is to make home learning manageable and meaningful, supporting children's progress while keeping family time at the heart of learning. Speaking and listening about learning is also proven to be highly beneficial for children's development.

All other options on the Home Learning Grid are linked to class projects. Learning for these can be shared on SeeSaw and will be celebrated in class.

Thank you so much for your support.

