



Week Beginning Monday 9th February 2026



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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been a lively one at Lowercroft, with the Samba workshop certainly being a highlight and bringing plenty of energy and rhythm into school. We also have an update to share from the recent cross country event, where our pupils once again represented the school with pride. As we reach the final week of this half term, it has been a fitting way to round off a busy and productive few weeks.

Key Dates & Information - Week Beginning Monday 23rd February 2026



Date	Event	Information
Monday 23rd February 9:00am	Chinese New Year	Pupils only.
Wednesday 25th February	Dragon Dance Workshops	All classes will receive a workshop throughout the day.
Friday 27th February 8:45am	Wake up Shake up!	Join us for a morning work out! (weather permitting)
Friday 27th February	Celebration Assembly	By invite only.

Come and join the club - New clubs for this half term:

Club	Day	Time	Who	Place	Information
Lunchtime Clubs					
Lowercroft's Got Talent	Tuesday	Lunchtime	Miss Savery/Mrs Hall	TBC	Performing arts club. For pupils who want to take part in the annual LGT, this is an opportunity to rehearse and build confidence.
Podcast Club	Wednesday	Lunchtime	Mr Roberts	The Nest	
Crochet Club (Y6)	Thursday	Lunchtime	Mrs McGadie	Y6 Classroom	Please bring a crochet hook (size 5 or above) Wool provided
Boys Football (Y6)	Friday	1 - 3pm	Mr Moss	School playground	Mr Moss will be supporting the coaches from 'Build a Baller'
After School Clubs					
Choir	Monday	3:15 - 4:15	Mrs McGadie	School hall	If you have not yet signed up, please ask Mrs McGadie for a permission slip
Basketball	Tuesday	3:15 - 4:15	Sports Coach	School Playground	Please see letters sent home for more information about signing up.
Tag Rugby Club	Tuesday	3:15 - 4:15	Mrs Kay	School Field	Please see consent letters sent home
Craft Club	Tuesday	3:15 - 4:15	Mrs Pearson	Y2 Classroom	
Netball Club	Thursday	3:15 - 4:15	Mrs Parkinson	School Playground	
Reading Booster Club	Monday	3:15-4:15	Miss Savery & Mrs Parkinson	Y6 Classroom	By invite only. Please refer to the letter sent home for more information.
Maths Booster Club	Monday	3:15-4:15	Mr Roberts	Mr Roberts - Study	
Maths Booster Club	Thursday	3:15 - 4:15	Mrs McGadie	Y6 Classroom	



Let's Celebrate!

Greater Manchester Cross Country Event... Well Done!

We are incredibly proud of Henry and Theo (Year 5) and Isabella (Year 6), who qualified last summer to represent Bury at the Greater Manchester Cross Country Championships. Competing against pupils from across Greater Manchester, all three ran with determination and resilience, securing excellent finishing positions in a very strong field. To compete at this level is a fantastic achievement in itself, and we are extremely proud of the commitment and effort they have shown.

We were also delighted to hear about Isabella's sister, Tilly, a former Lowercroft pupil, who recently competed in the **England Athletics U15 Championships**, finishing 1st place in the 300m. This is an incredible achievement – particularly as she was competing two years above her age group. It is wonderful to see our former pupils continuing to thrive and achieve such success. Well done, Tilly!



Samba Workshop – A Day of Rhythm and Energy



On Wednesday, our school was filled with rhythm and excitement as we welcomed Rome, who led our fantastic Samba workshops. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and were fascinated to learn that Samba is a key cultural feature of Brazil, celebrated through vibrant carnivals each year. Every class took part in their own hands-on workshop, learning about the different Samba instruments and experimenting with a range of rhythms. It was wonderful to see the joy on the children's faces as each instrument was brought together to create a full Samba piece.

The day ended with a lively performance from our Year 6 pupils, showcasing what they had learned. We hope the workshops will inspire many children to join our Samba Club next term, with plans for it to become a big feature of this year's Festival of Sports (Sports Day). More information about the club will be shared before the summer term.



The Valentine's Disco was a huge success. Thank you to all who helped to make the event happen. An update on funds raised will follow soon...

Award Winners

Rec	Ivy
Year 1	Mylah & Frankie
Year 2	Giabella & Amelia
Year 3	Forest School
Year 4	Isabelle & Luca-James
Year 5	Theo & Henry
Year 6	Erin & Jack H



Notices

- **Healthy Snack Reminder:** A gentle reminder that children should only bring a healthy snack to eat at break time. Thank you for supporting us in promoting healthy choices across school.
- **SchoolGrid Reminder:** Please remember to order your child's school meals in advance using SchoolGrid. Meals must be selected before the daily cut-off time to ensure your child receives their chosen option. SchoolGrid opens on **TUESDAY 24th February**. All pupils on dinners must order using SchoolGrid from this date.

As we reach the end of this half term, it has been wonderful to reflect on the wide range of experiences our pupils have enjoyed since returning in January. From sporting success in athletics and cross country, to pupils confidently leading assemblies and sharing their views through pupil clinics, there has been a strong sense of engagement and participation across school. Reception's Big Bird Watch, Year 6's sculpture work, the inspiring Samba workshops and our continued enrichment opportunities have all added depth to the curriculum. It has been a half term full of learning, creativity and teamwork and we are very proud of how our pupils continue to represent Lowercroft with enthusiasm and maturity. Have a lovely half term break everyone!

Mrs. McGladie

& The Lowercroft Team