

NEWSLETTER 6th September 2024

Dear Parents /Carers,

It has been lovely to see all of our children looking refreshed and excited to be back in school after the summer break. It has also been nice to see our parents and carers supporting us in our drive to have our children back looking smart and ready to tackle the next year of their education- so thank you to all concerned!

Class and School Dojo's

As previously mentioned, Dojo's will now form the main means of communication between home and school, we urge all parents to download the app. In doing so you will receive regular updates from your child's class teacher and year group lead. In addition, there is a new feature called School Story, which will keep you informed of events in school.

Macmillan Coffee Morning / Open Morning

This year we are again supporting the wonderful work that the Macmillan Nurses do in our area. We will be holding our annual coffee morning on Friday 27th September at 9.15am-11am. In addition to this, the school will be hosting an open morning where all members of the community are welcome to have a look around the school, before enjoying a coffee. If you would like to donate any cakes to this cause, then please send them in with your children by Wednesday 25th September. Your support is very much appreciated.

Miss Tustain

We have had a change of name for Miss Tustain, our Family Support officer. She will now be known as Ms Charley Lee.

Starting Reception Class September 2025

Applications for places in Reception for September 2025 are now available on <u>www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/admissions</u>. The closing date for applications is 15 January 2025. Visits to the school to see what we do can be arranged by telephoning the school office or emailing admin@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk

High Street Tots

From September we will be running weekly sessions for preschool children and parents to join the school community. These will take place each Tuesday morning and will provide the children with the opportunity to become familiar with the school setting. There will be a different theme for the children to explore each week whilst playing with a range of toys, taking part in music and movement activities and sensory activities. All sessions will be run by an experienced Early Years Teacher and a Family Support Worker. Parents/Carers will have the opportunity to socialise with others and seek advice on all things parenting – there is no such thing as a silly question!

All we ask is that parents contribute £1 towards snacks, and other consumables, if they can do so. Please note that these sessions are limited to children who reside in Winsford. A booking form for the sessions is available on the school website.

Date	Focus of the week	Details	
Tuesday 10 th September	Once Upon a Time	Story book focused activities	
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Tuesday 17 th September	If You're Happy and You Know it Clap Your Hands	Music and movement focused session
Tuesday 24 th September	Nursery Rhyme Time	Share favourite nursery rhymes and take part in nursery rhyme activities
Tuesday 1 st October	1,2,3,4,5 Once I Caught a Fish Alive	Activities focused around early maths skills
Tuesday 8 th October	Say Yes to the Mess!	Sensory and messy play activities
Tuesday 15 th October	Pat-a-Cake Pat-a-Cake	Join us for some baking fun – homemade pizzas!
Tuesday 22 nd October	All things Autumn	Lots of Autumn themed activities with pumpkins to explore

Year Group Welcome Meetings

Please note that we have added the Year Group Welcome meetings to the calendar below. Please try to attend these wherever possible. During the meetings the staff will brief you in what lies ahead for your children during the year including residential visits, homework expectations, changes to our behaviour policy and ways to support your child in school.

Midday Assistant Position

Winsford High Street is looking to recruit a Midday Assistant to join the team. For more information, please contact Mrs Griffiths in the School Office.

Free Film Club

Please see the poster attached.

Winnington Park Rugby Club

Please see the poster attached.

Date	Information
Monday 9th September	3.30pm Welcome meeting in theatre for Year 1 parents
2024	4.15pm Welcome meeting in theatre for Year 2 parents
Tuesday 10th September	2.30pm Welcome meeting in theatre for parents of Reception
2024	children
	3.30pm Welcome meeting in theatre for parents of Year 4 children
Wednesday 11th September	3.30pm Welcome meeting in theatre for Year 5 parents
2024	4.15pm Welcome & residential meeting in theatre for Year 3
	parents
Thursday 12th September 2024	3.30pm Welcome meeting in theatre for Year 6 parents
Friday 27 th September 2024	Macmillan coffee morning 9.15am to 11.00am
30 th September – 2 nd	Year 3 Anglesey Residential
October 2024	
7 th October 2024	Whole School - Individual photographs
16 th October – 18 th October	Year 2 Hartington Residential
28 th October – 1 st November	Half Term
4 th November 2024	Inset Day – school closed to children
5 th November 2024	School open for the new term
Friday 20 th December	3.15pm School closes for the Christmas holiday
23 rd December – 3 rd January 2025	Christmas Holiday
6 th January 2025	School opens for the Spring term

Diary Dates: * new dates

15 th January 2025	Last day to apply for Reception 2025 places	
	www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/admissions	
3 rd March to 7 th March 2025	Year 5 – Residential to London	
12 th June 2025	Reception, Year 6 whole class and Sports Team photos	

Please note that these dates may be subject to change, although we will keep these where possible. Should you need to make contact with school, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Joule on: <u>head@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk</u> or <u>returns@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk</u> and please remember the year group emails if you need to contact your child's class teacher. However, please note that all email accounts will not be monitored as regularly after 5.30pm each

However, please note that all email accounts will not be monitored as regularly after 5.30pm evening or during the weekends, to ensure a work life balance for the staff.

Kind regards

Mark Joule

Head Teacher