



NEWSLETTER 4th October 2024

Dear Parents /Carers,

Another busy week has passed by at Winsford High Street. A huge well done to the Year 3 pupils and staff who attended the Year 3 residential visit to Anglesey earlier in the week; by looking at the photographs and talking to the children they seem to have had a great time!

Reception Ready

Do you know anyone who is considering High Street for their child to start school next year but doesn't currently attend our nursery? If so, we are running a series of Reception Ready taster sessions after school on a number of Wednesdays. Places can be booked by clicking [here](#).

We also have a number of opportunities for potential parents to visit the school which can be booked by clicking [here](#).

Macmillan Coffee/School Open Morning

It was lovely to see a number of parents and carers attending our Macmillan Coffee/School Open Morning. A huge thank you to the PTA for all of their continued hard work, as a result £94.49 has been raised.

Individual Photographs

Final reminder that Fizz photography will be in school on Monday 7th October to take the individual photographs of children from across the school.

If you have already requested a sibling photograph this will also be taken on the day. If you wish to have a sibling photograph with brothers and sisters not attending High Street please wait at the glass corridor entrance from 8.30am.

Come Together in Yellow (11th October 2024)

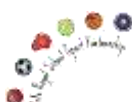
Every year, thousands of schools, companies and communities come together to make World Mental Health Day that little bit brighter by wearing something yellow and donating to YoungMinds. Right now, the world is a really tough place for children and young people to grow up in. We want young people to know that they don't have to go through this alone. Things can get better.

This World Mental Health Day, join us by wearing yellow with thousands of others across the UK and raise money to show young people that they're not alone with their mental health because we stand brighter, together.

At Winsford High Street, we are encouraging all children to wear their own clothes on **Friday 11th October 2024** but something they wear must be yellow. This could be their socks, a bow in their hair, a top anything! All we ask is a small donation so we can donate to YoungMinds to continue to support their amazing work with children and young adults. Thank you for your support. For more information, please see the poster attached to this email.

Nut-Free School

A polite request and a reminder that we are a nut free school. This week it has been noted that children are bringing in Hippo Kinder Bueno bars which contain hazelnuts. Please can we ask that no nut products are brought into school for lunches or snacks for the safety of all concerned.



School Gateway

Just a reminder that Winsford High Street is a cashless primary school. Please can we ask that all parents and carers download the School Gateway app to pay for your child/children's school trips, HUB sessions and dinner money top ups.

On School Gateway all Parents are able to view the weekly lunch menu and pre-book any meals required. Parents of children in KS2 are also able to add meal choices to the basket and pay at the time.

Below is information on how to download the App.

Just search *School Gateway* in your App store and download.

Apple iPhone users, download the app here: schoolgateway.co.uk/iosdownload

Android phone users, download the app here: schoolgateway.co.uk/androiddownload

Please log in with your email and mobile phone number and when you are asked for a pin please press forgot pin and you will immediately get a text message with a pin number.

If you have any questions or would like some more information, please see the School Gateway site here: <https://schoolgateway.co.uk/>.

You can also login to the online version of School Gateway via this site if you do not have a smart phone, although we do recommend using the app

Harvest & Christmas Celebrations with Parents/Carers

Please see the extensive list of Harvest and Christmas celebrations listed below.

Diary Dates: * new dates

Date	Information
7 th October 2024	Whole School - Individual photographs
10 th October 2024*	9.30am KS1 Year 1 to Year 3 Harvest in the large school hall Year 1 Parents invited to attend 2.00pm KS2 Harvest at the Winsford United Reformed Church Year 4 Parents are invited to attend
11 th October 2024*	Non School Uniform - wear yellow for Young Minds Charity – whole school
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
5 th December 2024	New Vic Theatre visit for Year 5 and Year 6 – The Three Musketeers – more info to follow
9 th December 2024*	2.00pm Nursery performance in the school theatre – Nursery parents are invited to attend – (more info to follow)
10 th December 2024*	9.30am Year 1 Christmas Carols at the Church, parents invited. 10.30am Year 2 Christmas Carols at the Church, parents invited.
11 th December 2024*	9.30am and 2.00pm Reception Nativity performance in the school theatre – Reception parents are invited to attend (more info to follow)
12 th December 2024*	9.30am Christmas Carols at the Church for Year 3, parents invited. 10.30am Christmas Carols at the Church for Year 4, parents invited.
13 th December 2024*	9.30am Christmas Carols at the Church for Year 5, parents invited. 10.30am Christmas Carols at the Church for Year 6, parents invited.

	School Christmas Lunch
16 th December 2024*	Elf Run for St Luke's Hospice – more info to follow Nursery and Reception Christmas parties (afternoon)
17 th December 2024*	Year 3 (morning) and Year 4 (afternoon) Christmas parties
18 th December 2024*	Year 1 (morning) and Year 2 (afternoon) Christmas parties
19 th December 2024*	Travelling Panto - Dick Whittington performance in school for Nursery to Year 4 – more info to follow Year 6 Christmas party (afternoon)
20 th December 2024*	Year 5 Christmas party (morning) Christmas Assembly for all (afternoon) School closes for the Christmas holiday at 3.15pm (The HUB will be open for paid sessions as usual until 5.50pm)
23 rd December – 3 rd January 2025	Christmas Holiday
6 th January 2025	School opens for the Spring term
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
1 st May 2025	Year 1 Conwy Residential
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: head@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk or returns@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk 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 evening or during the weekends, to ensure a work life balance for the staff.

Kind regards

Mark Joule

Head Teacher