

# NEWSLETTER 15th November 2024

Dear Parents /Carers,

Another busy week has passed by, and it has been lovely to see all the pupils working hard across the school. A huge well done to Year 5 who led the Remembrance assembly for the school at the beginning of the week.

# **Raising Costs**

Unfortunately, we are finding that the cost of all visits / additional activities for the children are increasing at a rapid rate due to transport costs and venues charging increased fees. As a school we try where possible to keep the costs for families as low as possible by subsidising the events which we offer. For example, the Year 6 children have just completed a visit to Nantwich to undertake a study of the town. To reduce the cost, we used the minibus and staff cars. The PTA are brilliant in helping with our subsidies, but we have now reached a point where we need to raise some additional funds to support the Christmas activities for the children. We will therefore be holding a wear your favourite football shirt day / favourite shirt day on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November. For being able to wear their favourite shirt, we should be grateful if all children could donate £2.00 which will be used to subsidise the costs of activities across the school. Thank you for your understanding and support with this matter. It is proposed that a fundraising day for future school activities be held each term.

## **Football**

A massive congratulations to the Girls Y5 / 6 football team, who progressed to the Cheshire Finals Monday. Although it took us a little while to find our scoring boots, we came together in the second game and the goals started raining in! A fantastic team effort from all as we finished the tournament undefeated!



#### **Boys Football**

Congratulations to the boys who represented the school in the finals of the Utilita Cup at Crewe Alex Community Training Centre on Tuesday. The team played really well but unfortunately could not convert all of the chances they created into goals. This sadly resulted in the team being eliminated on goal difference. Well done to all concerned!

## PTA Friendship Disco

It was lovely to see all of the children enjoying themselves at the friendship disco on Wednesday evening. A huge thank you to the PTA for organising and running the event. Also, a big thank you to all the staff who volunteered their time to support.









## Sleep Information Workshop for Parents/Carers Reminder

The Mental Health Team are leading a Sleep Information Workshop on Wednesday 20th November 2024, 9:00-10:00am in the school's Small Hall. For more information, please see the poster on Dojo.

#### Year 3 and 4 Christmas party change of date

Due to Year 4 swimming, we are swapping the Christmas parties on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December. Year 4 will have their party in the morning and Year 3 in the afternoon.

## **Poppy Appeal**

All collection tins for the poppy appeal have been collected and we are awaiting confirmation of the amount raised. Thank you very much for your donations and support.

#### **Children in Need**

Thank you for your support in helping to raise funds for this charity that supports so many needy causes. It was lovely to see the children dressed in ways to celebrate the day. All monies raised will be sent directly to Children in Need.

Date	Information
20 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	Sleep Information Workshop for Parents/Carers in the Small Hall
29 <sup>th</sup> November 2024*	Non-Uniform Day – to raise funds for Christmas activities – all donations welcome
9 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	2.00pm Nursery performance in the school theatre - Nursery parents are invited to attend – (more info to follow)
10 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Elf Run for St Luke's Hospice – more info to follow Nursery and Reception Christmas parties (afternoon)
17 <sup>th</sup> December 2024*	Year 4 (morning) and Year 3 (afternoon) Christmas parties
18th December 2024	Year 1 (morning) and Year 6 (afternoon) Christmas parties
19 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Travelling Panto - Dick Whittington performance in school for Nursery to Year 4 Year 2 Christmas party (afternoon)
20 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>rd</sup> December – 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2025	Christmas Holiday
6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	School opens for the Spring term
15 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Last day to apply for Reception 2025 places www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/admissions
17 <sup>th</sup> February to 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2025	Half Term
24 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	School opens for the new term
3 <sup>rd</sup> March to 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 – Residential to London – 3 days

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7 <sup>th</sup> April to 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025	Easter Holiday
23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025	School opens for the summer term
1 <sup>st</sup> May 2025	Year 1 Conwy Residential
26 <sup>th</sup> May to 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Half Term
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2024	Inset Day – school closed to children
3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2025	School opens for the new term
12 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Reception, Year 6 whole class and Sports Team photos
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2025	School closes for the summer holiday at 3.15pm (The HUB will be open for paid sessions as usual until 5.50pm)
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2025	Inset Day – school closed to children

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: <a href="mailto:head@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk">head@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk</a> or <a href="mailto:returns@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk">returns@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk</a> 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