

# NEWSLETTER 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

Another busy week has passed by at Winsford High Street. It has been lovely to walk around the school and see the children engaged with their studies. I have especially enjoyed seeing them engaged in their maths lessons which I have been observing this week.

### **Lost Property**

Our lost property pile is getting ever bigger and contains numerous pieces of clothing with no names or names that are incomprehensible due to fading.

To help, please can you ensure that all clothes that come into school are labelled with your child's name (not just initials) – and regularly check that these are clear and visible. If clothes are found, this helps us to get them back to your child.

Iron on, stick on or sew-in name tags can be easily sourced, both ebay and Amazon have a wide selection, or you can search "iron on name tags" online.

#### **Dietary Requirements**

Just a polite reminder that children with special dietary requirements should wear their purple pin badge if they are having a school meal. This assists our kitchen staff in identifying any children requiring special meals.

## Year 5 Book Swap Event - Friday 6th December

We are excited to announce that Year 5 will be hosting a Book Swap Event! This is a wonderful opportunity to clear some space on your bookshelves and find new reading adventures for the festive season.

We kindly ask for donations of any used children's books that your family no longer needs. These can be handed in to the main reception or to any Year 5 teacher, from now until Thursday, 5th December.

On Friday, 6th December, we will be selling the donated books for £1 each outside the Year 5 classroom. The sale will take place straight after school at 3:15pm, we hope it will provide a chance for children to find new stories to enjoy over Christmas.

All funds raised will go towards supporting the Year 5 residential and trips, helping to make these experiences even more enriching for our pupils.

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to seeing you at the Book Swap!

#### Poppy Appeal

We have been informed that we raised £425.80 for the recent Poppy Appeal. Thank you for your support and donations.

#### **Children in Need**

Thank you for your donations for Children in Need last week. We have raised £227.28 from cash donations in school and we are waiting to hear about our amount raised online.









## Diary Dates: \* new dates

Date	Information
29 <sup>th</sup> November 2024*	Wear a football or favourite shirt non-uniform day – to raise funds for Christmas activities – all donations welcome. Cash donations on the day or online payments are available on school gateway.
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	<ul><li>9.30am Year 1 Christmas Carols at the Church, parents invited.</li><li>10.30am Year 2 Christmas Carols at the Church, parents invited.</li></ul>
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	<ul><li>9.30am Christmas Carols at the Church for Year 5, parents invited.</li><li>10.30am Christmas Carols at the Church for Year 6, parents invited.</li><li>School Christmas Lunch</li></ul>
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
18 <sup>th</sup> 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 2025	Year 5 – Residential to London – 3 days
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