



NEWSLETTER 12 - 29th November 2024

Dear Parents /Carers,

Another busy week has passed by at Winsford High Street and it has been lovely to see the children hard at work across the school.

Change of Leadership Structure

I write to inform you of a change to the Leadership Structure at Winsford High Street Community Primary School from January 2025.

After 21 years as Head teacher of the school I will be reducing my working commitment to 3 days each week to enable me to pursue other projects. This will be similar to a number of years ago when I was working as a part time Educational Advisor for the Local Authority, supporting local schools in the area.

To ensure the continued smooth running of the school, the Governors have created the new position of 'Head of School' to sit under that of the Part time Head teacher. Mrs Robbins has been appointed to this role and will be responsible for the day to day running of the school, when I am not in school. She will be supported by the Senior Leadership Team on a daily basis:

Mrs Taylor: Deputy Head teacher
Mr Askey: Assistant Head teacher
Miss Garnett: Assistant Head teacher
Mr Allen: Head of KS1

I am sure that you will join with me in congratulating Mrs Robbins on her appointment. Rest assured I will continue to give my all to support the children of Winsford High Street.

Lost Property Amnesty Monday 2nd December

We will be holding a lost property amnesty on Monday after school in the hall. Parents are invited in to search for anything their children have lost.

Non-Uniform Day

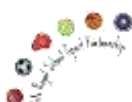
It was lovely to see all the children in their favourite shirts and football shirts today. Thank you for your donations towards all the Christmas activities in the coming weeks. If you would like to donate any amount this is still available on the school gateway app. We are planning to have termly fundraising events.

Outdoor Learning

A request from Outdoor Learning for their Santa's Grotto. Please can we ask if you have any bottle corks can you bring them into the main Reception Office. The corks are needed for each child to make Christmas trees during their outdoor learning lessons.

Netball

A huge congratulations to our amazing netball team for their incredible performance in the competition, finishing in **1st place!** You played with skill, teamwork and determination, showing everyone what you're capable of. A special shoutout for that phenomenal 21- 3 win—what an achievement! Your hard work in lessons and your support for one another on the court truly paid off. We're all so proud of you for representing our school with such talent and sportsmanship. Well done, team!



Girl's Football



On Tuesday 26th November, eight of our Year 5 and 6 girls travelled to Shavington for the Girls U11 6 A-Side Competition and Crewe Alexandra's football centre. After an early start to the day, the girls were ready and raring to go and started the tournament brilliantly with a comfortable 2-0 win. The girls continued in fine form, winning the next game 1-0, although we could easily have scored 4 or 5 had it not been for the posts, crossbar or the opposing goalkeeper which seemed to act as a magnet to High Street's shots. The third game of the groups saw a highly anticipated match against The Quinta (who had won the competition the previous year). The girls matched a talented team from The Quinta and had chances to win. Unfortunately, two well finished goals meant we were beaten 2-0. To their credit, the girls never gave up and were incredibly positive throughout the day. After this defeat, we won our three remaining group matches 2-0, 1-0 and 6-0 respectively, qualifying for the quarter finals against Monks Coppenhall. The girls were brilliant, winning 2-0 to reach the semi-finals against The Wistaston Academy whom we then beat 4-1. Onto the final for a rematch against The Quinta (who had scored over 30 goals in the competition so far). The girls battled brilliantly, but The Quinta produced two more excellent team goals to take the final 2-0. The girls should be extremely proud of their performance and the way they played the game in such good spirit. They were a credit to themselves and all at High Street are extremely proud of them! Well done girls!!

School Christmas Lunch

The school Christmas lunch will be on Friday 13th December. This will be provided free for children on universal meals in Years Reception to Year 2 and for children on free school meals. Meals are £2.85 each and can now be pre-booked on the school gateway app.

If you have not already done so, please complete the form below if your child would like a Christmas lunch. This will ensure we order the correct amount of food. Please also complete the form if your child does not want a Christmas lunch on the day.

<https://forms.office.com/e/qa9DVhbpnu>

Christmas Jumpers

From Monday 9th December all children can wear Christmas jumpers along with their uniforms if they wish to do so until the end of term, in return we ask for a £1.00 donation towards the Christmas Jumper Appeal for the benefit of 'Save the Children Charity'.

If you have any Christmas jumpers that your children have grown out of the PTA would welcome any donations. Please drop them in at the Reception Office next week. The PTA will be holding a Christmas jumper sale from the 9th December.

PTA Events

The PTA will be having a Christmas Raffle with tickets on sale from the 9th December and all prizes will be drawn on the 18th December. There will also be sales of knitted stockings filled with treats.

The Little Princess Trust

Congratulations to KB in Year 5 who has very kindly donated 12 inches of her hair to the Little Princess Trust. She has managed to raise a whopping £505, with more cash donations to come.

If you would like to donate any amount to this very worthy cause, please see the link below. We, and her family, are immensely proud of her.

<https://gofund.me/248f7fb5>



Diary Dates: * new dates

Date	Information
2 nd December 2024*	Uniform Amnesty in the Hall after school – All parents welcome to check for lost property
5 th December 2024*	Year 5 and Year 6 New Vic Theatre visit – The Three Musketeers
6 th December 2024	Year 5 Book Swap Event – All welcome. Selling donated books for £1 each outside the Year 5 classroom. Sale takes place after 3.15pm. All funds raised to go to the Y5 trips.
6 th December 2024*	Year 3 'Sing the Christmas Story' at Chester Cathedral
9 th December until the end of term*	Christmas Jumpers. All children can wear their Christmas jumpers until the end of term along with their uniforms
9 th December 2024	PTA selling Christmas jumpers, raffle tickets for prizes and filled knitted stockings
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 – Tickets available on the Dojo app
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 4 (morning) and Year 3 (afternoon) Christmas parties
18 th December 2024	Year 1 (morning) and Year 6 (afternoon) Christmas parties

19 th December 2024	Travelling Panto - Dick Whittington performance in school for Nursery to Year 4 Year 2 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
17 th February to 21 st February 2025	Half Term
24 th February 2025	School opens for the new term
3 rd March to 5 th March 2025	Year 5 – Residential to London – 3 days
7 th April to 22 nd April 2025	Easter Holiday
23 rd April 2025	School opens for the summer term
1 st May 2025	Year 1 Conwy Residential
26 th May to 30 th May 2025	Half Term
Monday 2 nd June 2024	Inset Day – school closed to children
3 rd June 2025	School opens for the new term
12 th June 2025	Reception, Year 6 whole class and Sports Team photos
Tuesday 22 nd 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 rd 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: 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