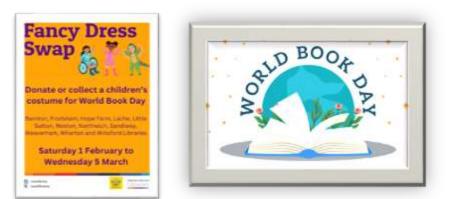


NEWSLETTER 19 - 3rd February 2025

Dear Parents /Carers,

Another busy week at High Street for all concerned. From a personal point of view, it has been lovely looking at the quality of the children's writing as part of our monitoring schedule and seeing the progress they have made since the start of the year. I have also enjoyed handing out some of my gold awards to children who have achieved the High Street Hero on 5 occasions. Hopefully there will be an opportunity to issue more in the coming week.

World Book Day - Thursday 6th March 2025



Our World book day is Thursday 6th March and just a reminder that the Winsford Library are hosting their highly successful Fancy Dress Swaps again this year from 1st February in preparation for World Book Day.

Using the scheme could not be easier: donate any unwanted costumes to the library or see what outfits they have and take them for no charge, it's that simple. Participating libraries are Barnton, Frodsham, Hope Farm, Lache, Little Sutton, Neston, Northwich, Sandiway, Weaverham, Wharton and Winsford. And why not use the opportunity to borrow a book or join the library while you're there? Joining a child is free and easy and does not require ID. There are no late charges for Under 13s.

Healthy Snacks

Please can you ensure that your child brings in a healthy snack/fruit for breaktime daily.

Year 6 Hockey Team



A massive congratulations to our incredible Year 6 Hockey Team on winning the competition! Your hard work, dedication, and teamwork have truly paid off, we couldn't be prouder. Another massive congratulations to our Year 5 & 6 athletic team, who also came 1st and have gone through to the finals on Tuesday 4th February. Details will be sent individually on dojo.









<u>Uniform</u>

We have noticed a considerable number of children who are coming in to school in incorrect uniform. Please can I remind all parents and carers of the uniform requirements for all children below, as well as compulsory ties for children from Y3 upwards and the need to wear school shoes, **not black trainers**, for all children in school. Long hair should be tied up.

Winter Uniform: White cotton shirt or white polo shirt, school tie, royal blue sweatshirt/ cardigan, white, grey or black socks and grey skirt or trousers. For further information about our school uniform and acceptable shoes please see our school website.

Winsford High Street Community Primary: School Uniform

Please can we also remind all parents not send your child into school with lip gloss or make-up on.

Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

The link to purchase the Year 6 Leavers Hoodies has been sent out via email to all Year 6 parents. Please can you ensure that all orders are placed by the 17th February.

Prescribed Medication

A reminder that the Office can only administer medication that has to be given to your child four times a day. Please complete a form in the office if you require the office staff to do this.

Parents Evening

We will be having two parent's evenings on Tuesday 25th March at 5pm to 7pm and Thursday 27th March 4pm to 6pm. More info to follow on how to make bookings.

Year 1 Outdoor Learning Update

This week we have been learning about our native birds and how important it is to look after them. We have learnt about the birds that visit our school site and how we have different birds in different areas. In our Outdoor Learning sessions, we sat quietly in the outdoor classroom and listened to the different bird song.

We spent time in the outdoor classroom spotting bigger birds such as Magpies, Pigeons, Crows and Gulls around the school buildings and MUGA. We then went for a walk around the woodland and saw smaller birds such as Robins, Blue Tits, and Sparrows. While we were spotting birds we also kept a tally of how many we saw of each bird and Mrs Brunton-Davies then sent this information to the



RSPB as part of their Big Schools' Birdwatch 2025 which will help them to form a picture of how bird species are distributed around the UK and determine if their numbers are stable, increasing or in decline. We hope to also take part in further activities later in the year.

Headlice

Unfortunately, we have had cases of head lice reported to us last week. Please can all parents regularly check your child's/children's hair for headlice and treat appropriately.

Please remember, it can take more than one treatment to ensure the lice, and their eggs are fully **removed.**

Further info can be found by clicking the link :<u>https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/</u>

School Lunches

A reminder please can all parents log into school gateway on a weekly basis to book any hot meals

needed. If your child is late to school or has not picked a lunch, they will only be offered any extra food cooked.

Household Support Fund Payments for Children in Receipt of Free School Meals (FSM)

The Household Support Fund will continue to provide support to recipients of Free School Meals (FSM) during February half term. The funding to purchase food vouchers will be **distributed just before the February half term.** The allocation enables each pupil in receipt of FSM a £17.50 food voucher for a supermarket of your choice.

Diary Dates: * new dates Date	Information
10 th February 2025	Year 6 Lakes deposit due
13 th February 2025	Dogstrust Assemblies and Workshops for Year 5
14 th February 2025	Year 1 Conwy, second instalment due
	Year 4 York, second instalment due
14 th February 2025	Year 5 London, final instalment due Dogstrust Assemblies and Workshops for Year 6
-	Half Term
17 th February to 21 st February 2025	
24 th February 2025	School opens for the new term
3 rd March to 5 th March 2025	Year 5 – Residential to London
6 th March 2025 <mark>*</mark>	World Book Day
13 th March 2025	Dogstrust Assemblies and Workshops for Year 3
14 th March 2025	Dogstrust Assemblies and Workshops for Year 4
25 th March 2025 <mark>*</mark>	Parents Evening – 5pm to 7pm more info to follow
27 th March 2025 <mark>*</mark>	Parents Evening – 4pm to 6pm more info to follow
2 nd April to 4 th April 2025	Year 4 – Residential to York
7 th April to 22 nd April 2025	Easter Holiday
23 rd April 2025	School opens for the summer term
1 st and 2 nd 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
23 rd June 2025	Dogstrust Assemblies and Workshops for Year Reception/Y1 Wheelock and Dee
24 th June 2025	Dogstrust Assemblies and Workshops for Year 1 Gowy and Year 2
24 th June to 27 th June 2025	Year 6 – Residential to the Lake District
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
Thursday 18 th December 2025	Outside the Box Theatre production in School – Nursery to Year 4

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 evening or during the holiday, to ensure a work life balance for the staff. Kind regards, Mark Joule, Head Teacher