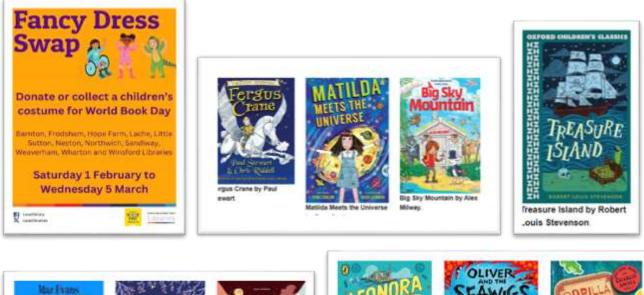


NEWSLETTER 20 - 14th February 2025

Dear Parents /Carers,

January has come and gone at a pace with the children settling well to their studies following the Christmas break. In addition, our sports teams have been busy competing against other Cheshire schools in Athletics, Hockey and football and have done well in all areas.

World Book Day





World Book Day will take place on Thursday 6th March 2025, due to the Year 5 London Residential we will celebrate World Book Day in school on **Friday 7th March**.

This year, High Street's theme will be Adventure!

We will share fictional adventure stories and will also delve into some non-fiction texts about real life adventurers. We would love for the children to share any stories they have enjoyed too, so if there's a book at home, please do bring in to show us!

We would also like to invite the children to come dressed to match the theme of **adventure!** For example:

- A specific adventurer that may be personally inspirational (Amelia Earhart, Neil Armstrong, Sir Francis Drake, Jacques Piccard, Bear Grylls).
- A specific type of explorer (astronaut, deep sea diver, mountain climber, a jungle/arctic/desert explorer).
- Outdoor Learning clothing ready for an adventure/journey.
- Superheroes (many superheroes from comic books take part in adventures).









• A character from an adventure story (Bilbo Baggins, Alex Rider (spy), Robin Hood, Dora The Explorer)

The possibilities are endless!

We are very excited to celebrate World Book Day 2025 and cannot wait to share some adventures!

Book Fayre

The Book Fayre will be visiting us from Friday 7th March to Thursday 13th March. The Book Fayre will be located in the glass corridor/under the canopy on the red/green carpet area after school each day. All children will be able to use their world book day tokens towards books purchased.

Mrs Fallon

We are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Fallon back after her maternity leave. Mrs Fallon will teach Y1 Wheelock class on a Monday all day and mornings Tuesday to Friday. Mrs Hammond will teach the class in the afternoons. This is to ensure a smooth transition from one teacher to the next.

Winsford Brio Half Term Events for February Half Term

Please see below a link for the February Half Term Holiday Fun Programme at Winsford. https://www.brioleisure.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/KIDS.0125_Holiday_Fun_Feb_HT_WLC_V2.pdf

Athletics

Well done to our Year 5 & 6 athletes, who took part in the athletic final at Rudheath Academy on Tuesday 4th February. They played fantastically and displayed great sportsmanship.

Girls Football

The Year 5/6 Girls Football Team played fantastically well to reach the quarter finals of the U11's County Finals. The girls faced some tough competition during the tournament but came together as a team to give a fantastic account of Winsford High Street. Well done to all involved!

Year 5 Firefighter Visit

Year 5 children had special visitors this week: the Fire Service, who came to talk to the children about fire safety within the home. The children were incredibly well behaved and asked some intelligent questions. We learnt about how to put out different types of fire, including when not to use water. Year 5 were also given advice on what to do in various scenarios if a fire were to occur in the house. Finally, Archie, who was our birthday boy, got to wear the full fireman's outfit and Mr Chesworth modelled the oxygen tank!

Parents Evening

Our next evening for parents and carers to discuss the progress of their child/children will be held on: **Tuesday 25th March – 5pm to 7pm**

Thursday 27th March – 4pm to 6pm

As previously, you will be invited by your child's class teacher via Class Dojo to sign up for a Parents / Carers Evening appointment.

Appointments are strictly one per family, so only one parent needs to sign up via Class Dojo. In the event more than one parent signs-up to a slot, only the first slot completed will be honoured.

In exceptional circumstances, an additional appointment can be made through discussion with your child's class teacher.

Dropping Off Items in the Office

Please can you ensure that any bags dropped off in the office for children i.e. PE/Swim/Outdoor learning kits are all clearly labelled with your child's name.

Also please ensure that all kits, uniform, coats and jackets are clearly labelled as this will help us to return any lost property.

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.

Year 6 On-line/Safety Workshops

On Monday 10th March, the Y6 pupils will take part in a workshop led by Queensberry, this project has been offered to all primary schools in Winsford, the workshop will include:

- What is risk taking
- Why young people take risks
- How things can escalate
- Keeping yourself safe on-line

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)

Wonde food vouchers will be distributed on Friday 14th February. The allocation enables each pupil in receipt of FSM a £17.50 food voucher for a supermarket of your choice.

Town Mayor's Oscar Awards Evening – Saturday 26th April, Meadow Bank Social Club



The Town Mayor of Winsford, Cllr Wayne Fletcher will be holding a very special 'Town Mayor's Oscar Awards 2025' Event at the Meadow Bank Social Club on Saturday 26th April to recognise the achievements of local people.

Please use the link below to nominate: -

https://winsford.gov.uk/events/winsford-oscar-awards-2025/

All nominations should be received by Friday 28th March at 9:00 am.

Inset Day

Reminder that our Inset Day that was previously Monday 24th February has moved to Monday 2nd June. Please see the diary dates overleaf for all holiday dates. We hope you have a restful half term and we look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 24th February.

Diary Dates: * new dates

Date	Information
14 th February 2025	Year 1 Conwy, second instalment due Year 4 York, second instalment due Year 5 London, final instalment due
14 th February 2025	Dogstrust Assemblies and Workshops for Year 6
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
7 th March 2025*	World Book Day in school (New date)
10 th March 2025*	Year 6 on-line/safety workshops
13 th March 2025	Dogstrust Assemblies and Workshops for Year 3
14 th March 2025	Dogstrust Assemblies and Workshops for Year 4
21st March 2025*	KS2 Assembly – Construction Health and Safety
25 th March 2025*	Cyber Protect Team to work with Reception/Key Stage 1 pupils
25 th March 2025	Parents Evening – 5pm to 7pm more info to follow
27 th March 2025	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 2025	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