

Newsletter 4 2nd Feb 2024

Dear Parents /Carers,

Gates on Ramp

Sadly, despite stating that the ramp is not available to access the school by car we have had a number of parents driving up it daily. This has resulted in several near misses where vehicles have come close to knocking children over. As a result, the large gates at the top of the ramp nearest to the Verdin Exchange will remain closed until after registers close on a daily basis. Access to the school will be along the pathway adjacent to the Nursery and the steps leading to the Year 6 Yard. We apologise for any inconvenience caused but must prioritise the safety of the children.

York Residential Visit: Parent/Carer Meeting

In preparation for the York Residential Visit there will be a parents/carers meeting on Monday 12th February 3.30pm in the School Theatre. During the meeting the itinerary will be shared and requirements for the visit discussed.

Elf Run: St Luke's

We have been advised by St Luke's Hospice, Winsford, that our parental online and cash in school contributions to the Elf Run came to **£651.00** with an additional **£108.00** gift aid raised. Thank you so much for supporting this wonderful cause. Please see the poster attached.

National Storytelling Week

As a way of celebrating National Storytelling Week, the children have enjoyed reading their favourite stories aloud as well as listening to a range of stories by other staff. Some classes have even explored their favourite characters in known stories through the use of drama strategies. Next week, Mr Joule will be sharing some of his favourite stories to the children through a series of assemblies across the whole school.

World Book Day

World Book Day will be held on Thursday 7th March 2024. More information about the theme for the day and dressing up will be included in next week's newsletter.

Reading at Home

Welcome to our weekly reading section where we will share some of our top tips and general ideas about how to engage our wonderful children in reading.

Our first tip.... Make it fun! Curl up on the sofa with a blanket in these cold chilly months, build a cushion/pillow fort, read outside (weather permitting); anything you think your child will enjoy is a good idea. We are aiming for Reading for Pleasure.... so let's enjoy whatever story/comic/report/blog (even a gaming instructional manual) takes our fancy.

Children's Mental Health Week

Next week is Children's Mental Health Week. A range of activities will take place during the course of the week to promote this. This will include themed assemblies and circle times in class.

Safer Internet Day 2024

Tuesday 6th February marks the national "**Safer Internet Day 2024**". At High Street we will devote the day to educating the children how to behave online.

Persuasive Design Online

Please see the flier attached for more information.

Winsford Shukokai Karate

Please see the flier attached for more information.

Diary Dates: * new dates

Date	Information
6 th February 2024*	Safer Internet Day
12 th February 2024*	Year 4 York Parents/Carers Meeting at 3.30pm in the Theatre
19 th February 2024	Spring Half Term
26 th February 2024	School opens after the Spring Half Term
28 th February – 1 st March 2024	Year 4 York Residential
7 th March 2024*	World Book Day
11 th March 2024*	Clonter Theatre visit – Year 5
29 th March 2024	Good Friday and start of the Easter Holiday
1 st April 2024	Easter Monday
15 th April 2024	School opens after the Easter holiday
18 th April 2024	Year 1 Conwy Residential
29 th April to 3 rd May 2024	Year 3 Anglesey Residential (2 Groups – Group 1, Mon to Weds - Group 2 Weds to Friday)
6 th May 2024	May Day
27 th May 2024	May Bank holiday and start of the Summer Half Term
3 rd June 2024	Inset Day- school closed to children
4 th June 2024	School opens after the Summer Half Term
6 th June 2024*	Whole school photograph
24 th June 2024 to 28 th June 2024	Year 6 Lakes Residential
25 th July 2024	Start of the Summer holiday
2 nd September 2024	Inset day – school closed to children
3 rd September 2024	Inset day – school closed to children
4 th September 2024	School opens after the Summer holiday
7 th October 2024*	Whole School - Individual photographs

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