



## NEWSLETTER 25 - 25th April 2025

Dear Parents /Carers

It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school and hear all about their Easter break. We are looking forward to a busy term of learning ahead of us.

### **International Earth Day – Wear Green on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April**



It has been great to see all the children dressed in green to support our International Earth Day today. We have worked in our classes to understand the importance of becoming eco-friendlier and completed activities to pledge our commitment to our Earth. Thank you for your kind donations, all money collected will be going towards supporting environmental initiatives in school which will allow us to provide more opportunities for the children.

### **Data System**

We have now moved over to a new management information database, known as “**Arbor**”. This system is used in lots of schools across the UK and provides a one-stop portal for information on your child and bookings and payments.

As part of this move, we will be changing our online payments and booking system, and we are hopeful that we will be able to roll all of this out to you shortly. Please bear with us as the full transfer may take a little time. Until then, you can continue to use the current School Gateway system.

Please ensure that you have Class Dojo downloaded and your notifications are on as we will continue to use this as the main form of communication for messages.

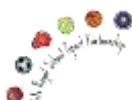
### **Cyberprotect Parent Workshop – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2pm**

Andy Kevan from the Cyber protect team is running another parent information session for us on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 2pm**. The last session Andy led was very informative about the dangers for our children accessing on-line material and how we can keep them safe as parents/carers and educators.

Here are some parent comments from the last workshop -

“Before I attended the Cyber talk, I was quite confident that there wouldn't be anything I didn't already know, however the presentation was an insight into the very real and horrifying dangers that exist for our children. Following the presentation, I was able to chat to my child about Cyber Sid and we are now looking at making changes to how we operate our technology as a family”

“I am now aware of the dangers of social media and will be going straight home to check the parental controls on my child's mobile phone”



"It was eye-opening, I never realised how much our data is tracked. It has changed my approach to when I will let my children have access to a phone, it is my job as a parent to keep my child safe on-line"

"I went straight home and checked all the settings on my child's tablet, I will make sure I monitor what she accesses. I am still going to let her use ROBLOX but I am more aware on how to keep her safe"

"I have told all my friends about the session, and they will definitely come along to the next session to find out more ways to keep their children safe"

### **Mrs Jones**

Mrs Jones will not be returning to school due to personal reasons. We will miss Mrs Jones and am sure that you will join us in wishing her all the best for the future.

### **Mrs Raistrick**

Mrs Raistrick is back with us after her maternity leave; she will be joining the Year 3 teaching team on a Monday and Tuesday in Severn class. Mrs Raistrick will also spend Wednesday afternoons with Y5 Brent. We are delighted to have Mrs Raistrick back with us.

### **Year 5 Bikeability**

Year 5 will be taking part in Bikeability sessions between Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May and Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Limited bikes will be provided by Bike Right. Year 5 children who are taking part and have their own bikes will be informed of the date to bring in their own bike if they wish to do so.

### **PTA Easter Raffle**

Thank you to everyone that supported our recent PTA Easter Raffle. All prizes have now been collected and the PTA raised £110. More PTA events are to follow!

### **Reminder - Sports Days W/C 19<sup>th</sup> May**



Please see the table below with Sports Day dates weather permitting.

If we have to cancel any of these dates, the week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> June will be the reserve week, using this same timetable.

Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 1	2.00pm
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5	10.00am
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 2	2.00pm
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Year 3	10.00am
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Year 4	10.00am
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	EYFS (Nursery and Reception)	2.30pm
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Year 6	10.00am

### **Attendance Reminder – School starts at 8.45am**

Any child who arrives after the gates are closed must enter the school by the main entrance and report to the school office to sign in. If pupils are not in class when the register is taken, they will be coded as 'L'. Any late arrivals after 9.15am will be coded as 'U' which is an unauthorised absence for that session.

Children who are consistently late for school are disrupting not only their own education, but also that of other children. Where persistent lateness gives cause for concern, you will be invited to a meeting to resolve the issues. If there is no improvement following this meeting, further action will be taken which may include referral to external agencies. You may approach the school at any time for support and advice if you are having difficulty getting your child to school on time or maintaining regular attendance.

### **Hay fever**

We are now coming up to hay fever season. If your child suffers with hay fever and requires daily medication, please can you ensure that they have this before they come to school.



### **Collections/Pick ups of your children**

Just a reminder if there is a change of adult to pick up your child/children please inform Teacher in the morning, or on Class Dojo as early as possible. Due to very busy office times after 2.30pm daily we cannot guarantee that any late messages can be passed onto children.

### **Reporting absences**

If your child is absent from school, please ring the school office in the morning. Messages can be left on the voicemail by pressing Option 1, all messages are checked every morning.

### **Healthy Snacks**

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

### **School lunches**

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.

### **Diary Dates: \* new dates**

Date	Information
25 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Last payment for York Residential
28 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Chester Zoo trip – Reception and Year 2
1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2025	Year 1 Conwy Residential
7 <sup>th</sup> May 2025 to 23 <sup>rd</sup> May*	Bikeability lessons for Year 5
19 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Sports Day Year 1 - 2pm
20 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Sports Day Year 5 – 10.00am
20 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Sports Day Year 2 – 2pm
21 <sup>st</sup> May 2025	Sports Day Year 3 – 10.00am
22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2025	Sports Day Year 4 – 10.00am
22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2025	Sports Day Nursery and Reception – 2.30pm
23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	Sports Day Year 6 – 10.00am
23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	School closes for the half term at 3.15pm (The HUB will be open for paid sessions as usual until 5.50pm)
26 <sup>th</sup> May to 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Half Term

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025	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
16 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Reserve week for any missed Sports Days
23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2025	Dogtrust Assemblies and Workshops for Year Reception/Y1 Wheelock and Dee
24 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Dogtrust Assemblies and Workshops for Year 1 Gowy and Year 2
24 <sup>th</sup> June to 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Year 6 – Residential to the Lake District
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
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2025	Inset Day – school closed to children
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2025	Inset Day – school closed to children
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2025	School opens for the Autumn term
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2025	School closes for the Half Term at 3.15pm (The HUB will be open for paid sessions as usual until 5.50pm)
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Inset Day – school closed to children
27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2025	October Half Term
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025	Inset Day – school closed to children
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	School opens for the new term
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2025*	New Vic Theatre Trip for Years 5 & 6. Back in School approx 5.30pm
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Outside the Box Theatre production in School – Nursery to Year 4
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	School closes for the Christmas holiday at 3.15pm (The HUB will be open for paid sessions as usual until 5.50pm)
22 <sup>nd</sup> December – 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2026	Christmas holiday
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	School opens for the new term
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	School closes for the Half term at 3.15pm (The HUB will be open for paid sessions as usual until 5.50pm)
16 <sup>th</sup> February to 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026	Inset Day – school closed to children
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	School opens for the new term
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2026	School closes for the Half Term at 3.15pm (The HUB will be open for paid sessions as usual until 5.50pm)
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2026 – 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Spring Break
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	School opens for the Summer term

Should you need to make contact with school, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Joule on: [head@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:head@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk) or [returns@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto: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 holiday, to ensure a work life balance for the staff.

Kind regards,  
Mark Joule,  
Head Teacher