

# NEWSLETTER 35 - 21st July 2025

#### Dear Parents/Carers,

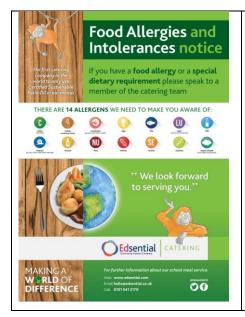
It has been a pleasure seeing the children grow and learn as they have progressed through the year. They have achieved well in all curriculum areas making the most of the learning opportunities provided by the staff who have worked tirelessly on their behalf. It has also been fantastic leading many of the residential visits where the children have developed new skills and have grown in confidence. My thanks go to the staff for accompanying me on the visits and to you as parents / carers for your support.

As the school year draws to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Governors of the school for their continued support and hard work. They meet regularly to provide guidance and challenge to all members of staff; without them the school would be a much harder place to run.

Finally, I must thank the Senior Leadership team of the school. They have supported me during the year and have kept the school moving in a forward direction despite me stepping down to a reduced role.

#### Year 6 Bugsy Malone

It is with great pride that I have sat and watched the Year 6 perform their version of the stage play Bugsy Malone. They have worked tirelessly at learning their lines and actions and have thoroughly entertained the audiences during each performance. It's been tremendous to see the children tackle the challenges faced even when they have been out of their comfort zones. I am sure that some of them will 'tread the boards' in the future and could even make it onto the big screen. Well done to the children and staff for a great effort!



## **Edsential Lunch Menus for September 2025**

Please follow the link to our website to view the lunch menus from September 2025.

Winsford High Street Community Primary: School Meals

School meals will be £2.95 per day from September. If your child has any allergies or intolerances that we are not aware of please let us know as soon as possible.

#### School Gateway

With the school year coming to an end please can we ask that you check the School Gateway system for any outstanding monies owed. Due to us no longer using School Gateway in September, please can we ask that you make payments before the system closes tomorrow. Thank you.









## **After School Club Menu**

Please find below a new menu for After School Club starting from September 2025. A main meal and dessert will be served at 4pm each evening (this will replace the two lots of snacks that we currently offer).

# Week 1 – starting week beginning 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Monday: Vegetable pasta bake (vegan option)

Tuesday: Chilli & rice (vegan option)

Wednesday: Hash browns/waffles, sausage & beans Thursday: Beans/spaghetti on toast (vegan option)

Friday: Pizza (homemade with the children)

# Week 2 – starting week beginning 8th September

Monday: Spaghetti bolognaise (vegan option) Tuesday: Chicken pasta bake (vegan option) Wednesday: Pizza (homemade with children)

Thursday: Sausage casserole & chips (vegan option)

Friday: Beans/spaghetti on toast











#### **Puddings:**

Swiss rolls

Ice cream

Brownie bites

Flapjack bites

Shortcake mini bites

Chocolate muffins

Double chocolate muffins

### The Works Collection bank for school

We are very grateful to Lottie and Jamie's Mum who works in the local 'The Works' store for supporting our school with a donation basket in the store in the town arcade. We are passionate about reading and would appreciate any donations of books if you are making a purchase in the store. There is a basket in store with a sign ready for collections. Any donations of books will be used as 'Reading for Pleasure' books in class book corners.

#### **Welcome Meetings**

We would like to invite you to year group welcome meetings in September. Please see the following dates and times below.

Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Year 6	3.30pm School Theatre
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 1	3.30pm School Theatre
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 2	3.30pm School Theatre
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 5	3.30pm School Theatre
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 4	3.30pm School Theatre
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	Year R	2.30pm School Theatre
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 3	3.30 - 4.15pm (including school residential talk)

#### **Reception Tea Party**

Thank you to all parents who attended the Reception Tea Party last Thursday. Please see a message from the Reception staff below.

Reception had a lovely afternoon on Thursday, we all enjoyed celebrating the children's time in Reception which included singing songs, looking at an array of photos from our wonderful year and sharing what we aspire to be when we are older. We are so proud of all the children this year and we know that they will all shine brightly as they go into Year 1!

## **Nursery Celebration**

Well done to the nursery children for their celebration for parents/carers on Monday afternoon. Thank you to those of you who were able to join us. It was lovely to hear the children sing and see a selection of photos from their time with us. The children have grown in confidence during their time in nursery and it was lovely to see how ready they are now for the step into Reception in September.

#### **Year 3 Egyptian Day**

Year 3 celebrated the end of their history topic with an ancient Egyptian day, all the children looked fabulous in their outfits, during the day they wrote their name in hieroglyphics, took part in an Egyptian dance, Egyptian maths and showcased their costumes to the rest of the school. What a fabulous day was had by all!





#### Reminder - Winsford Library Summer Reading Challenge





#### Message from Ian Anstice at the Winsford Library

Here's an update on the Summer Reading Challenge so far. Over 1,000 children have already joined the Challenge since it started on Saturday 5 July, with two children (one from Lache and one from Upton) already completing. We had five thousand children from Cheshire West took part last year so there's lots of scope for more. The free events are booking up quickly and parents should contact their children very soon if they want place on favourites like animal handling and fun science and the once-in-al-lifetime-chance to draw along with Nick Sharratt. All of the children's events are free. Children can join the Challenge at their local library or via

https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/read and can, from that date, book events for the first half of the holidays then all the rest of the events can be booked from Saturday 19 July.

#### **School Uniform**



We are excited to advise that we are changing our main supplier of school uniform to a local company with a history of supplying clothing to schools. My School Style are based on the Industrial Park in Winsford and uniform is available online at <a href="Buy Uniform Shop at Winsford High Street Primary School-My School Style">Buy Uniform Shop at Winsford High Street Primary School-My School Style</a>. Uniform will continue to be available from the market and preloved uniform is still available from the Uniform Exchange.

#### **Adults Read Two**

Do you like to read? Why not take part in this initiative? Open to pupils and adults alike!



Celebrate your love of books and reading this summer and join our reading challenge for adults and teens online and in libraries.

Entrants just need to read two books between 5 July and 7 September. Choose from a library book, eBook or eAudiobook, to be in with a chance to win £50 of book vouchers through our prize draw at

<u>www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/read</u> or pick up a flyer from your nearest library. There are **two prize draws -** one for 13-17 year olds and one for 18+. Winners will be chosen at random. Under 16s need parental permission to take part.

# The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme

Please see the holiday activities poster on Dojo and our school facebook, or use the link below The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme | Live Well Cheshire West (cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk)

Diary Dates: \* new dates

Date	Information
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
	2025-2026
Monday 1st September 2025	Inset Day 1 – school closed to children
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2025	Inset Day 2 – school closed to children
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2025	School opens for the Autumn term
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September 2025	NSPCC workshops with Y6 and Y2
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	NSPCC workshops with Y6 and Y2
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Whole school individual school photos
Friday 24 <sup>th</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)
27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2025	October Half Term
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025	Inset Day 3 – 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
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2025*	St Lukes charity Elf run – whole school – more details to follow
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 25 – 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 2026	Half Term
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026	Inset Day 4 – 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	Spring Break
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	School opens for the summer term
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	May Half Term

Monday 1st June 2026	School opens for the new term
Tuesday 21st July 2026*	School closes for the Half Term at 3.15pm
	(The HUB will be open for paid sessions as usual until 5.50pm)
Wednesday 22nd July 2026*	Inset Day 5 – school closed to children

As the school closes its doors today for the children, the staff and I wish all concerned a wonderful summer break. We look forward to the safe return of the children from the current Reception to Y5 in September and wish our fabulous Y6 every success as they transfer to their new schools.

Should you need to make contact with school, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Joule on: <a href="mailto:head@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk">head@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk</a> or <a href="mailto:returns@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk">returns@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk</a> 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