15th September Newsletter





Message from Headteacher

New Starters

The popularity and reputation of our school continues to grow! We have welcomed several new starters over the last two weeks. I wish to extend a warm welcome to those pupils and their parents/carers who are new to our school family.

Meet the Teacher

Thank you to parents/carers who have attended the Meet the Teacher briefings this week. I hope that you have found these to be helpful and informative.

Any comments or feedback about these briefings would be appreciated and will help us in continuing to improve what we do to support families. If you are able to provide some feedback, we have a brief survey which can be found on School Spider..

The survey is now open and will close at 5pm on Friday 22nd September..

Thank you for working in partnership with us.

Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC)

You may have seen news regarding schools which have had to close parts of their buildings due to RAAC. RAAC is a lightweight form of precast concrete which was used in building construction from the 1960s-1990s.

We have had several building surveys in school over the last three years, including an extensive survey when the solar panels were fitted to our roof as well as a Department for Education Conditions survey.

Based on these surveys, and our own visual inspections, we were confident that our school was not constructed with RAAC in any place on site. I am delighted to confirm that a further inspection this week has verified this. There is no RAAC on our school site.

Missing Scooter

We are pleased to announce the scooter has been returned to school. A pupil from another school had taken it. Whilst it is very unusual we have issues of this nature, you may wish to secure scooters and bikes in the racks provided during the school day.

Story Shack

Our Story Shack is now open for business! Any parents/carers can visit the Story Shack at any time to loan books or games to enjoy with your children.

You do not have to let us know what you have borrowed but we do ask families to respect this resources be adhering to the following points:

- If you loan any item, please ensure that it is taken care of. Any games or jigsaws should be returned to the Story Shack should have been checked to ensure that they have no missing pieces.
- If you loan an item, please ensure that it is returned as soon as possible.
- If you loan an item and discover that it has missing pieces or torn pages, please hand it in at the school office as soon as possible.
- Please only loan one game or jigsaw at a time to ensure that there is plenty available for other families.

There may be a lot of interest in the Story Shack over the next week. Please may I ask parents/carers to use the Story Shack responsibly and safely, avoiding times when it appears that there are a lot of people waiting to access it.



Kind Communications Online

In Monday's worship session, we talked about being kind when using technology. We discussed how when we talk about 'giving out good' in our school family, this applies when online or messaging friends as much as when we are face to face in school. We thought about how we have the power to use our words to make people feel strong, powerful and happy and how, if we have nothing kind or positive to say, it is better to say nothing. We watched a short video (link: www.youtube.com/watch?v=nQweCttSrjQ) and agreed that if we see or receive something online or via a message that makes us upset or worried, we would tell a grown-up immediately to ask for help.

Thank you for discussing this with your children and reinforcing school messages relating to kind, safe and responsible communication online.

Summer Library Challenge

Congratulations to all of the children who completed the summer reading challenge with Cheshire libraries over the summer break. We are very proud of you all for your determination and enthusiasm.

If your child completed this challenge, please encourage them to let us know so we can celebrate and reward their perseverance and commitment.

Whatever the weather, be it wind, rain or hail...



Be in school with your friends without fail!

Birthdays!



Harry M.
India-Grey.
James B.
Mollie-Ann
Sam M. and
Lily p!

Our High School Family

We have had some lovely visits from some of our ex-pupils this week, who popped in to let us know how they were getting on at high school. We miss them all so much!











Letting Their Light Shine!

Xander is a talented boulderer and has been selected to represent Climbing Hut in their Under 11's team - what an achievement!

Arianwen, Molly, Sophie, Harriet and James picked up their certificates and medal this weekend for completing the UK libraries summer reading challenge!

JP was made Man of the Match in a recent football match!

Kian. Oscar, Logan, Zara and Ruhaani all levelled-up their swimming skills, each receiving a certificate to celebrate their achievements!

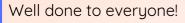
Leon and Niall won a trophy and two shiny medals in recognition for their overall effort in a mammoth hill cycle from New Brighton Cycling Club!

Aimee, a budding entrepreneur, launched her bracelet business over the summer holidays, raising much needed funds for Claire house Children's Hospice!

George was awarded Star of the Week in his Taekwondo class!

Phoebe achieved her levels 8, 7 and 6 in gymnastics!

And we are super proud of Monty who has been promoted to chorister in the Chester Cathedral Choir!









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Local High School Open Days









Let's celebrate!

The following children received a class honour for letting their light shine this week!

Amelie C	Fawaz K
Louie D-L	Thinura W-M
Leo A	Xander H
Polly I	Finnley H
Iknoor S	Alex W
Tahsin A	Arthur D-B

Key Dates

Y1-2 Dance Club starts
Y5-6 Netball Club starts
Y1-2 Ball Skills Club starts
Y5-6 Boys Football Club starts
Y5-6 Cross-stitch Club starts
Y1 Lego Club starts
Y1-6 Choir Club starts
Y3-6 Spanish Club starts
Y5-6 Zentangle Club starts
Y3-6 Street Dance Club starts
Y3-6 Beacons Club starts
Y3-4 Arts & Crafts Club starts

Key Dates

Thursday 28th September	Y1-2 Spanish Club starts
Thursday 28th September	Y5-6 Imaginive Art Club starts
Thursday 28th September	Y5-6 Hockey Club starts
Thursday 28th September	Y3-4 Mixed Football Club starts
Friday 29th September	Y4-6 Dodgeball Club starts
Friday 29th September	Y3-4 Tennis Club starts
27th - 29th September	Year 6 Residential Trip
Wednesday 4th October	Y5-6 Girls Football Club starts
Thursday 5th October	Y5-6 Badminton Club starts
Wednesday 11th October	Reception 2024 Open Evening
16th - 20th October	Parents Evenings (times/days tbc)
Wednesday 18th October	Harvest Service at All Saints' Church (Time tbc)
Friday 20th October	INSET Day (School closed to pupils)
23rd - 27th October	Half-term holidays
Wednesday 1st November	Pupil Flu Vaccinations
Wednesday 8th November	Reception 2024 Open Evening
Thursday 23rd November	Pupil Photographs
Friday 1st December	PTA Christmas Fair

Any children in Year 3,4,5 or 6 are welcome to this event. You just turn up! Any questions, please ask Mrs Millington.

West Cheshire Athletic Club Schools Cross Country Race Series 2023/24

At Ellesmere Port Sports Village, Stanney Lane, Ellesmere Port,

Registration from 9.30am for school years 3 & 4
And from 10am for school years 5-8.
First Race Starts at 10am.

Dates of Fixtures: Saturday, October 7 Saturday, November 4 Saturday, November 18 Saturday, December 9

Race Order for the following Girls and Boys year groups: Year Three, Year Four, Year Five, Year Six, Year Seven, Year Eight.

Medals will be presented to the first three finishers in each race.

The first three finishers from each school in each race will count as a team towards a team score based on their positions, and the team event will be held over four rounds.

Awards will also be presented to the top three finishers overall in each age group after four rounds.

Each pupil from each school will be provided with a race number which should be attached to the front of their T-shirt/vest.

Each participating school should provide a representative/parent/team manager at each round. Further details from Dennis Wall at West Cheshire AC. Tel: 07968 643038. Email: dennis.wall1@ntlworld.com







THE DANTE QUARTET
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 17TH AT 3PM
ALL SAINTS CHURCH, HOOLE ROAD, CHESTER CH2 3HZ

PROGRAMME
Haydn: Sunrise Quartet
Walker: 'Lyric'
INTERVAL
C. Shaw: Plan and Elevation
Beethoven Op. 135

Tickets available from www.dantequartet.com/concerts or call 07834 275879









SUNDAY 24 SEPTEMBER

JOIN OUR FIRST RUN FOR NATURE AT CHESTER ZOO AND HELD US TO SAVE THE LIVES OF ASIAN ELEDHANTS.

10k run starting in the zoo for adults and 1 mile 'Zoom' around the zoo for the under 12's

SIGN UP NOW!



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