19th January Newsletter



Message from Headteacher

Thank you

Thank you all so much for working with us to support our efforts to manage traffic and parking around our school site. I am so grateful to all who have helped by parking responsibly and those who have been so courteous when approached to move on or park elsewhere. This week, I have had issues relating to parking in Canadian Avenue mentioned to me. Thank you for parking away from double yellow lines and crossings which are used by our children walking to and from school.

Perseverance in action!

You will all know that we promote perseverance in our school. We encourage children to strive to do their best regardless of the challenges or obstacles they face. What is joyful in our school is the number of times pupils approach staff with examples of how they have kept on going and work hard to succeed. We celebrate it all, from several attempts to get along monkey bars on a day out, to having lots of attempts to tie shoelaces to grappling with work challenges in class.

This week we have seen perseverance in action! A group of Year six pupils have been undertaking their Bikeability awards in the coldest conditions we have had this Winter. The children have

simply wrapped up and persevered, despite anxiety about whether sessions would proceed and the icy conditions they have faced. I was also very proud to hear from Bikeability staff that they enjoy coming to teach at our school every year because of the conduct and positive attitudes of our pupils.

The comment left in our Visitors' book from Bikeability staff reads "As always, a very pleasant visit to the school for Bikeability. School is highly organised – very welcoming and exceedingly helpful. Children are keen, attentive, have a desire to learn and were very good cyclists to boot. Thank you."



Message from Headteacher (continued)

In addition, on Wednesday afternoon, a team of junior athletes travelled to a local athletics tournament. Despite the weather, our pupils again showed determination, enthusiasm and perseverance. Supporting each other, our team was placed third overall, against some very tough competition.

Once again, I thank our junior leaders for setting a tremendous example to our younger learners and for giving us examples of perseverance and determination in action within our school community.

Hangers

We are looking for donations of clothes hangers if you have any at home. We need child sizes predominantly but would also be grateful for a small stock of adult sized hangers too. This will help us to reorganise our Community Cabin along the same model as our Uniform Union so it will be more user friendly.

Chester Zoo Trip

Last Friday, we enjoyed our whole school trip to Chester Zoo. What a wonderful day! I wanted to pass on to you that there have been so many positive comments about your children's engagement, behaviour and conduct during the trip. Our children really do shine their lights brightly and they are a credit to themselves, their families and their school.

Beacons Club

We are opening up Beacons Club to any Year two pupils who wish to join. Beacons Club is run by staff from All Saints' Church every Wednesday in school from 3.10pm – 4.20pm. It is an engaging club where children explore bible stories and Christian values in fun and interesting ways.

If you are interested in securing a place for your child at Beacons Club, please email or ring the school office as soon as possible.



Sports News

Year 4 enjoyed a tag rugby session with Matt from Sale Sharks. They were able to build on their skills and look forward to putting them into practice over the next few weeks.



On Wednesday, twenty Year 5 and 6 children took part in the indoor athletics competition at Ellesmere Port Sports Villages.

They competed in events such as hurdles, the vertical jump, the javelin, the speed bounce, running and relay races.

They were positioned third overall! All the children performed really well and we are very proud of them.









A team of talented athletes were recognised earliet this week for their performance in a crosscountry competition organised over four races by West Cheshire Athletics Club.

Our runners scooped a variety of awards for success in several age groups. Pupils were presented with their gold, silver and bronze medals in assembly. In addition, the Year six boys team won first place overall!

























Let's celebrate!

The following children received a class honour for letting their light shine this week! **Miles B** Eva L Isla P George G **Gleb** N Logan A **Myles E** Jayden W Finn J Connor B-E Elliot W Leon B **Birthdays** Phoebe, Leia-Rey, Xander, Alice, Olivia Many happy return to all our birthday buddies! We hope you enjoy P and Lily RI your birthday book!







Snow Much Fun!







Letting Their Light Shine

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Leon and Rupert had an amazing success at a waterpolo tournament last weekend walking away with a well deserved bronze medal.

Ann was awarded Gym Star of the Week!

Mikey successfully drove a car with DriveAge10!



30th January

Team 5S Viking Days

31st January

31st January

5-9th February

12-15th February

16th February

19-25th February

26th February

11-15th March

29th March

Team 5M Viking Days

House of Hoole Meeting 8.30am

Children's Mental Health Week

Parents' Evenings (dates/times tbc)

INSET Day (school closed to pupils)

Half-term Holidays

School re-opens

Science Week

Good Friday (school closed)



WILDCATS GIRLS FOOTBALL

The fun way for girls ages 5-11 to get involved in football, meet new friends, build confidence and get active!

(Wednesdays 5pm - 6pm (term time only)

King George V Sports Hub, Blacon CH1 5BD 0



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COMMUNITY

GIRLS PLAYER DEVELOPMENT ENTRE

Supporting young female players to reach their potential with quality coaching in a fun, development-focused environment

(Fridays 5pm - 8pm

King George V Sports Hub, Blacon 0 CH1 5BD



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CHESTER FC MINI KICKERS

Fun football sessions for children aged 3-7 designed to develop core skills and fundamental movements.

Saturdays 9:30am - 10:30am (term time only)

Goals Soccer Centre, Talbot Way 0 CH1 4LT



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GIRLS

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8-16

Children in Reception, Year 1 & Year 2

CHESTER FC GOALKEEPING ACADEMY

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7-15

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Specialist group coaching sessions for young keepers of all abilities and experience levels.

Wednesdays 5pm - 6pm

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JUNIOR PAN DISABILITY FOOTBALL

Fun, inclusive football coaching for young people aged 7-15 with a sensory, learning or physical disability.

(Tuesdays 5pm - 6pm

Goals Soccer Centre, Talbot Way CH1 4LT



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CHESTER ZOO POSTER COMPETITION!

Competition closes at 23:59 on 10 February 2024

Early next year, two beautiful snow leopards – Nubra and Yashin – will be welcomed into their specially designed new home at Chester Zoo! We want you to create an amazing snow leopard poster that will go on display in their enclosure...

Sadly, snow leopards in the wild are in trouble – habitat loss, poaching, conflict with farmers and climate change mean their population is declining, fast. But Chester Zoo want to give these big cats a brighter future.

Creative Competition!

We want you to create an amazing snow leopard poster that inspires people to take action on climate change! Draw or paint a snow leopard (or leopards!) and choose one of the pledges below to add to your poster in bold letters.

The prize

The winning poster will go on display in the snow leopard enclosure at Chester Zoo – and you and your family will get to go on a trip to see it and the snow leopards! Cool, right? You'll even get £50 to spend on food and drink at the zoo.

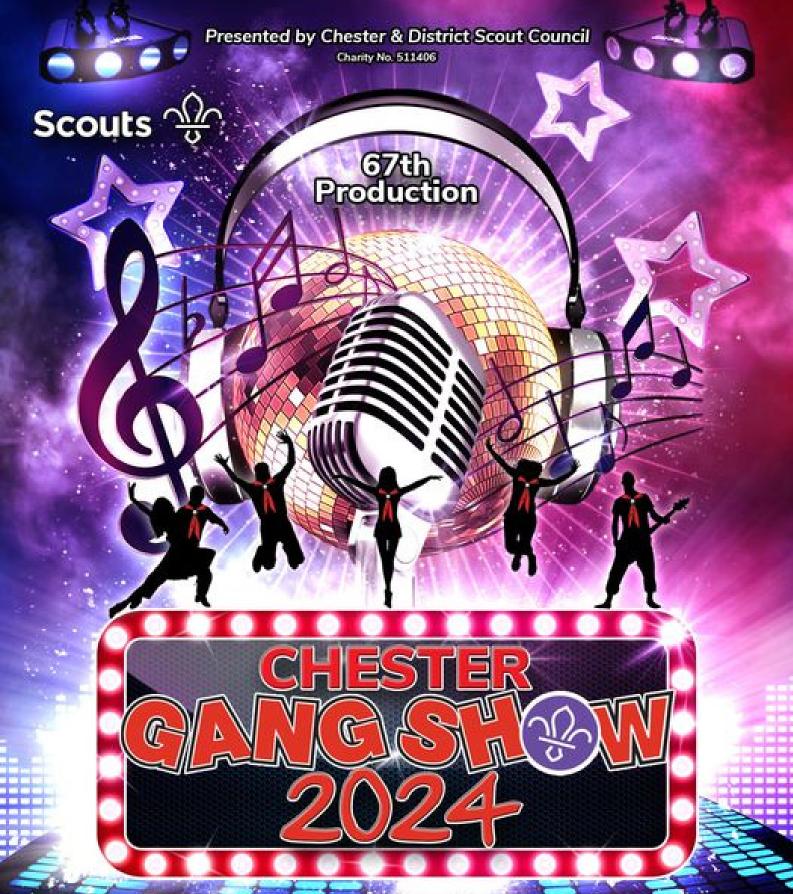
The winner and nine runners up will all get their posters featured in April 2024's issue of Nat Geo Kids magazine. Plus, all ten will receive cute snow leopard plushies!

How to enter

Take a photo of your poster and email it to competitions@ngkids.co.uk with the subject 'Chester Zoo Competition'.

The entry we think is the most creative and impactful will win. Good luck!

Entrants 16 and under!



Singing, Dancing & Laughter Fun for all the Family! At The Vanbrugh Theatre, The King's School

Tuesday 13th to Saturday 17th February 2024 Performances at 7.15pm plus a matinee at 2.15pm on Saturday

BOX OFFICE OPEN NOW

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