

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Date: 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021



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Dear Parents

We break up on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 1:30pm for the Christmas Holidays, returning on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022. **All children are to be collected promptly at 1:30pm; there will be no school bus home this day.**

**COVID UPDATE** With the Prime Minister putting 'Plan B' in place could I please remind all parents and carers to wear a face covering during drop off/pick up and whilst in the school building. We will continue to keep this under review and keep you updated with any changes.

**PARKING** I am so sad and appalled by the behaviour and language that took place at the front of school this morning. Parking is difficult I know but I do expect all parents to behave appropriately in front of the children and using such aggression both verbally and physically is totally unacceptable!

Could I please remind all parents not to park in front of our neighbours' drives, or indeed in dangerous areas, as it would be devastating if something serious was to happen. It would be far safer to park your car just a little further away and walk the rest of the way to the school gates. We do not want to have the PCSO's involved again but I will be left with no choice if this behaviour continues.

**SUPERMARKET VOUCHERS** If your child is eligible for Free School Meals, Cheshire West and Chester Council have provided funding for supermarket vouchers to cover the Christmas holiday period. A voucher from 'Evouchers.com' worth £70 has been emailed to you and is only to be used to purchase food and drink items for your child to cover this 2-week period. Here is a YouTube video which explains how to redeem your voucher at your chosen supermarket: <https://youtu.be/l2hZg2O17Cs>. Please see last page of the newsletter for information on FREE activities over the Christmas holidays for children eligible for Free School Meals.

## KEY STAGE 2 WINTER PRODUCTION

Date	Time	Year Group	Play	Venue
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	6:30pm	Key Stage 2	Cinderella Rockerfella	The Ellesmere Port Church of England College

All Key Stage 2 pupils must arrive at TEPCEC on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm; **no earlier as we need to avoid queuing**. Parents are to remain in their cars until 6:15pm when the doors will open. Raffle tickets will be sold whilst parents are sat down in the theatre.

Tickets are on sale until midnight on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December and will be issued to pupils on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Tickets cost £1 each and are to be paid for via School Spider (max. 2 per family). Please do not lose your tickets as we can only allocate a specific amount of seats due to Covid restrictions at TEPCEC.

Reminder: We have been advised by TEPCEC that **all parents MUST wear a face covering whilst watching the performance**, unless exempt (proof of exemption will be needed as you arrive at TEPCEC). If you forget to bring one, we will have disposable face masks available. All parents are also advised to take a Lateral Flow Test 24hrs before the performance and can only attend with a negative result. We trust that parents will follow this guidance in order for the performance to take place and to keep our school community as safe as possible.

**THANK YOU** A special thank you to our catering team for providing delicious Christmas dinners for pupils and staff this week! All thoroughly enjoyed their festive dining experience.



**NEXT WEEK** Class parties will be Thursday afternoon next week. All children can come to school in their party clothes. No snacks or drinks need to be brought in as school will provide these for each class. Year 6 will be selling glitter tattoos as they were unable to at our Christmas Market; these will be at a cost of 50p if you would like your child to have one.

Date	Class	Event
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Key Stage 1	Filming their Winter Production which will be sent to parents to view at home.
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Selected pupils in KS2	Extra rehearsal at TEPCEC 1-3pm.
	Key Stage 2	6:30pm. Winter Production at TEPCEC.
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School	Class Parties, children can come to school in their party clothes!
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	All pupils	Finish for Christmas holidays. All pupils to be collected at 1:30pm. <b>No School bus home.</b>

**AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS** All clubs have now finished for this term. New clubs will be announced in the New Year.

**ATTENDANCE CONCERNS** It has come to my attention that a number of parents are not happy with one of our attendance initiatives. I would therefore like to clarify that we are doing everything we can to support good attendance across the school which I feel very strongly needs to be led by the children and yourselves as parents. We do therefore have the attendance league, as you can see below, which the children love and look forward to every week. This really supports a team approach helping children to encourage each other leading to positive attitudes around school attendance.

We have in the past used a whole school 100% achievement as another way to encourage children to come in to school every day, unless it really is impossible due to Doctors' appointments, sickness and diarrhoea etc. as we have been told by many parents that they have difficulties some days with children saying they are tired or have an upset tum, to name but a few.

Obviously we want to help parents by teaching children resilience and perseverance and see attendance in the same way. When we check for 100% attendance we look at each child individually so that we don't penalise children for time off that could not have been avoided. Unfortunately, we cannot include sickness/diarrhoea in this exemption as, whilst this may be a valid reason, it may also, sadly, not be a valid reason. Although this may seem unfair, we as a school want to celebrate the efforts of children and families and see this initiative as an opportunity which we will therefore be continuing.

**ATTENDANCE RESULTS** The results from this week's attendance matches are in! Some absolutely fantastic attendance results with four classes having over 97%! We still need a real push on attendance for some of the classes but here are the results:

Sixsmith's Snow Leopards 3 V Mayhew's Mice 0  
Whittaker's Wolves 3 V Hutchinson's Hedgehogs 0  
White's Wasps 0 V Bouckley's Bears 3

Congratulations to Year 6 for finally taking the crown! They have been close on a few occasions but this week they absolutely smashed it with 99.07% attendance!! With both Chester FC and Cheshire Phoenix having away games, the lucky winner this week will receive a 1-week Brio Leisure pass which they can use for any of the facilities in any of the Brio Leisure sites.

***Don't forget you get 1 goal for having more than 95%, 2 goals for more than 97% and 3 goals for 100% plus the winning team get an extra goal!***

Next week's games are:

Hutchinson's Hedgehogs vs Edward's Elephants  
Mayhew's Mice vs White's Wasps  
Bouckley's Bears vs Whittaker's Wolves

Good luck everyone!

**GENERATION R BABY CLUB** Apologies for the baby club being cancelled last minute on Monday however we just wanted to remind you that next week will be a little Christmas session for the babies and their parents/carers for our last week before Christmas. The club will continue on the first Monday back after the Christmas break (Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022). The club is held in the school hall on a Monday morning straight after drop off and runs until 10am. There are free refreshments and the club offers sessions such as baby massage. It is open to Rossmore parents and also other parents who are from the Ellesmere Port area however, please note that the club is only available to parents of babies born between June 2021 and 31st January 2022. Please see Miss Macey for further information and we hope to see you there!

**RESIDENTIAL TRIPS** Reminder: Deposits are due by the end of December for:

- Year 4: JCA
- Year 5&6: London

Payment is to be made through School Spider and you have the option to pay in instalments so that you can spread the cost.

Year group	Trip	Dates	Cost	Payment deadline
1	Delamere	22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2022 (1night)	£35	28.02.22
2	Delamere	23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2022 (2nights)	£70	28.02.22
4	JCA- Condoover Hall	27 <sup>th</sup> April 2022 (2nights)	£100	Deposit: £25 due 31.12.21 Final balance: £75 due by 31.03.22
5&6	London	24 <sup>th</sup> May 2022 (3 nights)	£250	Deposit: £50 due 31.12.21 Payment 1: £50 due 31.01.22 Payment 2: £50 due 28.02.22 Payment 3: £50 due 31.03.22 Payment 4: £50 due 30.04.22

Please note: some pupils are exempt from paying, please enquire at the school office if you are unsure.

## WANTED

● **NEW GOVERNORS** Our School Governing board is made up of Parent, Staff, Local Authority and Co-opted Governors. Co-opted governors include both parents and members of the community. Our Governors may come to us through a variety of routes and with a range of different backgrounds, skills and experiences, but they are all volunteers who work together for the benefit of the school and are the link between the school and the community it serves.



We are currently looking for Parent and Co-opted Governors and would be delighted to hear from anyone who has:

- An interest in the performance of the school
- A desire to contribute to and represent the community
- An open and enquiring mind
- The ability to look at issues objectively
- The confidence to ask questions and join in debate
- A willingness to listen and make informed judgements
- The ability to work well with others

If you would like to find out more information about this rewarding role, please contact:

Mrs Powell-Wallis  
Bursar/Clerk to the Governors  
0151 329 3683

● **PTA** In order for future events to go ahead we need more parents to join our PTA to help with the planning and organising stages. Upcoming events include; discos, bingo and the summer fair. Through fundraising the PTA have been able to purchase items including; games for wet playtimes, magazine subscriptions and books for our school library, table tennis tables, outdoor play equipment and computing equipment. Without this valuable fundraising we simply wouldn't be able to afford these items which benefit children now and for years to come. If you would like to join our PTA, or are even able to help out every now and then, please inform the school office.



### 2021 DIARY DATES

**Tue 14<sup>th</sup> Dec** Key Stage 1 filming their Winter Production  
**Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Dec** 6:30pm Key Stage 2 Winter Production at TEPCEC  
**Thu 16<sup>th</sup> Dec** Class parties- children can wear party clothes to school  
**Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Dec** Break up for Christmas Holidays at 1:30pm

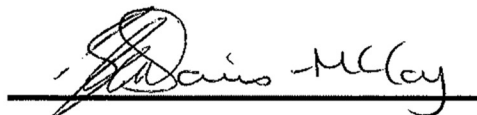
### 2022 DIARY DATES

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan** **BANK HOLIDAY- School closed**  
**Tue 4<sup>th</sup> Jan** Pupils return to school  
**Thu 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb** SEND drop in (PM)  
**Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Feb** Young Voices concert, Manchester  
**Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Feb** Break up for February half term  
**Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Feb** **INSET DAY**  
**Tue 1<sup>st</sup> Mar** Pupils return to school  
**Tue 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar** Year 1- Delamere (1 night)  
**Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Mar** Year 2- Delamere (2 nights)  
**Thu 7<sup>th</sup> Apr** SEND drop in (AM)  
Break up for Spring break  
**Wed 27<sup>th</sup> Apr** Year 4- JCA (2 nights)  
**Tue 24<sup>th</sup> May** Year 5&6- London (3 nights)

Full term dates for this, and next, academic year can be found here on our website:

[http://www.rossmore.cheshire.sch.uk/serve\\_file/2547522](http://www.rossmore.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/2547522)

Best wishes,



Mrs S Davis-McCoy  
Head Teacher

**HAF** If your child is eligible for Free School Meals there are FREE holiday clubs available to book. Please see below for further information:



Edsential are delighted to be coordinating the Holiday Activity Fund for 2021 for Cheshire West, Halton & Wirral - Funded by Department for Education

Edsential's Holiday Activity Fund (HAF) provides enriching activities, delicious nutritious meals and a chance for young people to meet new friends in a safe & fun environment, during the school holidays!

## Activities

### CHESHIRE WIDE

- 1 Cheshire Young Carers  
CH65, CH1, CW7

### CHESTER

- 2 Chester Blue Coat CE Primary School  
CH1 4HG
- 3 CEPD @ Dee Point Primary  
CH1 5NF
- 4 CEPD @St Theresa's Catholic Primary  
CH1 5UU
- 5 CEPD @JHGodwin  
CH1 5JG
- 6 Blacon Adventure Playground - The Venny  
CH1 5UU

Sandra Hewitt 0748491112  
sandra.hewitt@sanctuary.co.uk  
5-16yrs, SEND SPACES LEFT!

- 7 PES @Elton Primary  
CH2 4LT  
Danielle Paynter 07860597671  
danielle@pesco.co.uk  
5-11yrs SPACES LEFT!

- 8 Majestic International  
CH3 5DZ  
Joanne Saunders 01244 35 1010  
joanne.saunders@majestic-models.com  
5-16yrs SPACES LEFT!

- 9 Dandelions Day Nursery  
CH3 6QP  
Sian Williams  
01829 272277  
hello@dandelionsfarmdon.co.uk  
5-11yrs SPACES LEFT!

- 10 Save the Family  
CH3 7PZ

- 11 CEPD @St Clare's, Lache  
CH4 8HX

- 12 CEPD @Lache Primary  
CH4 8EY

- 13 Friends of Lache  
CH4 8HX  
Libbie Stock  
07557285441  
libbie.stock@sanctuary.co.uk  
5-16yrs SPACES LEFT!

### WINSFORD

- 14 Wharton Residents Group  
CW7 3HN, CW8 2EB

- 15 GGO Community Group  
CW7 2YA  
Vicky / Gale  
07434704530  
ggowestwindsford@hotmail.com  
5-16yrs SPACES LEFT!

- 16 Winsford Youth & Community Forum  
CW7 2HG  
Laura Jones  
01606 593724  
office@wycf.co.uk  
8-11yrs, SEND SPACES LEFT!

- 17 St Joseph's Catholic Primary School  
CW7 2JS

- 18 Damhall Primary School  
CW7 1AD, CW7 1JL

- 19 SR Sports Ltd @ Leftwich Community Primary  
CW9 8DH

### NORTHWICH

- 20 Multiflex School Sports @ Wincham Community Hall  
CW9 6EP  
Multiflex School Sports  
07969292417  
info@multiflex-sports.co.uk  
5-11yrs SPACES LEFT!

- 21 Multiflex School Sports @ Winnington Impulse Dance  
CW8 4EE  
Multiflex School Sports  
07969292417  
info@multiflex-sports.co.uk  
5-11yrs SPACES LEFT!

- 22 Multiflex Sports @Kingsmead Primary  
CW9 8WA  
Multiflex Sports  
playscheme.multiflex@gmail.com  
5-11yrs, SEND SPACES LEFT!

- 23 Multiflex Sports @Rudheath Primary  
CW9 7JL  
Multiflex Sports  
playscheme.multiflex@gmail.com  
5-11yrs, SEND SPACES LEFT!

- 24 Multiflex Sports @Charles Darwin Primary  
CW8 1BN  
Multiflex Sports  
playscheme.multiflex@gmail.com  
5-11yrs, SEND SPACES LEFT!

- 25 Multiflex Sports @Winnington Park Primary  
CW9 5RE  
Multiflex Sports  
playscheme.multiflex@gmail.com  
5-11yrs SPACES LEFT!

### FRODSHAM

- 26 Frodsham Youth Club  
WA6 7QN  
Nicola Mikolezik  
admin@frodshamyouthclub.co.uk  
8-16yrs SPACES LEFT!

- 27 Weaver Vale Primary Frodsham  
WA6 7PZ, WA6 6RX, WA6 7QN

### MALPAS

- 28 KKZ Coaching @Bishop Heber  
SY14 8JD  
KKZ coaching  
07838200945  
Shaun@kkzcoaching.co.uk  
5-16yrs, SEND SPACES LEFT!



To find out more about any of the holiday activities available this winter, please visit [www.edsential.com/holidayactivityfund2021](http://www.edsential.com/holidayactivityfund2021) or contact Edsential directly on [haf@edsential.co.uk](mailto:haf@edsential.co.uk)

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