

14th February 2025



Wheelock
Primary School



Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

February 2025

24th February – School Opens

March 2025

6th March – World Book Day (No Theme)

26th Schools Gots Dance – Crewe Lyceum (Dance Club)

27th Year 5 Singfest - Congleton

All this information and more can be found under Events on our website

<https://www.wheelockprimary.co.uk/>

Student Achievement



Wheelock were so proud to hear that two of our children in Year 2, Autumn and Poppy have been scouted by Manchester United. This is an incredible achievement. Your dedication, talent, and hard work has truly paid off, and this is just the beginning of an exciting journey ahead.

Keep believing in yourselves and continue to play with passion and determination. We can't wait to see what you both accomplish in the future – the sky's the limit!

Elf Run Certificate



Vanguard Games – Police Lead Event

Formerly known as Salt Wars and County Cross Games, our free to attend events are about to return, and more frequently.

These will be taking place in Easter, May and Summer school breaks. But in the meantime, we have a starter session running at The Alexandra Soccer Centre in Shavington, CW2 5AF.

This will be Saturday 15th March 2025, from 10:00-12:00.

Anyone who participates will receive a complimentary Parent & Child ticket for the Crewe Alex vs Doncaster Rovers game, on the 15th March, 3pm kick off.

To apply, please click the link below, or use your phone camera on the QR code in the poster

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScGd37IUqtplhe9DF8h-CG363lvSpH3KwiDQ_ZV3CLjQlOBrQ/viewform?usp=header¹

Any enquiries or issues can be sent to **Salt.Wars@Cheshire.Police.uk**²

Please keep an eye on social media and emails for the School Holiday events

¹https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https:%2F%2Fdocs.google.com%2Fforms%2Fd%2Fe%2F1FAIpQLScGd37IUqtplhe9DF8h-CG363lvSpH3KwiDQ_ZV3CLjQlOBrQ%2Fviewform%3Fusp%3Dheader&data=05|02|office%40wheelock.cheshire.sch.uk|9c815873c0164523ff6408dd4b508d58|f47dd6c3b69848ec8856d2833cc429e4|0|0|638749531524807318|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOilwLjAuMDAwMClslIAiOjXaW4zMilslkFOljoiTWFpbClslldUljoyfQ%3D%3D|0||&sdata=yPhLZU5jDoykn%2FjNP4ry3YkjFLYLw2%2BjyibObG4xq7Q%3D&reserved=0

²<mailto:Salt.Wars@cheshire.police.uk>



VANGUARD GAMES
THE BEGINNING

FREE SPORTS EVENTS!

Free to attend sports events run in partnership with Crewe Alexandra in the Community.

Saturday 15th March

10:00-12:00

Any participant receives 1 free parent/child ticket for Crewe Alex vs Doncaster Rovers, 3pm kick off

No room for racism

Cheshire East Council

Cheshire Constabulary

QR Code

Premier League Kicks

Crewe Alexandra Football Club

The poster features a red and blue background with a white diagonal stripe. At the top, the title 'VANGUARD GAMES THE BEGINNING' is written in bold yellow letters. Below the title is a shield-shaped logo with a crown on top and a banner that says 'GAMES'. To the right of the logo, the text 'FREE SPORTS EVENTS!' is written in white. Below this, it says 'Free to attend sports events run in partnership with Crewe Alexandra in the Community.' The date 'Saturday 15th March' and the time '10:00-12:00' are listed. A paragraph states 'Any participant receives 1 free parent/child ticket for Crewe Alex vs Doncaster Rovers, 3pm kick off'. At the bottom left, there are logos for 'No room for racism', 'Cheshire East Council', and 'Cheshire Constabulary'. At the bottom right, there is a QR code, the Premier League Kicks logo, and the Crewe Alexandra Football Club logo.

Class News

Cygnets and Pufflings

A great week in Reception. We have been learning that it is ok to like different things through our No Outsiders book 'Red Rockets and Rainbow Jelly'. We have been developing our oracy skills by rehearsing longer sentences saying what we prefer from a range of different things. In Maths, we have been comparing quantities using key language more than and fewer than. In our topic we have made our habitat boxes using a range of joining techniques. Have a super half term everybody!

Goldfinches and Woodpeckers

It has been great to catch up with all our families this week at Parents Evening. Thank you so much for your continued support, it really is appreciated. It is wonderful to be able to share the amazing progress the children have made this half term.

In Literacy this week we have written a letter to a character in our story 'Hermelin'. The children are becoming so much more independent in their sentence writing and it has been great to see some of them adding 'and' to extend their sentences or using an adjective to make their sentence more interesting.

In History we have been thinking about what we might put in a Time Capsule so the children of the future can see things from 2025. We watched an episode of 'JoJo and Gran Gran' where a Time Capsule is dug up. The children came up with some great ideas - coins, the Wheelock logo, photographs of the school and their family and small toys.

In Computing we have been animating our own e-books. This has been so much fun - we have left it open on Purplemash - most children have saved where they are up to - have fun with it over half term.

Owls and Robins

What a week in Year 2!

This week in Literacy, the children completed their "hot write" - creating instructions on how to build a habitat for a creature they'd designed. This was the culmination of a terms worth of hard work. The children produced some wonderful work - we hope they are all very proud of their creativity and hard work!

In Maths, the children started their new topic "Multiplication and Division" - and they have WOWED us! The children were adept at spotting, describing and adding equal groups. Quickly the children moved on to understanding how to the multiplication sign in number sentences. $4 + 4 + 4 = 12$ / $3 \times 4 = 12$. We can't wait to see them further develop their understanding in this topic, after half term!

In Science, we finished our topic "Living Things & Their Habitats" - a topic the children have thoroughly enjoyed. We looked at; adaptations that animals make to survive in their habitats and food chain. Can your child recall any adaptations that either polar bears, camels or giraffes make? Can your child recall what the arrows in a food chain show?

This week we had "Internet Safety Day", so amongst our computing lesson on spreadsheets, the children took the time to create posters about how to stay safe online!

Finally, the children have thoroughly enjoyed getting creative during our "DT day" where they have practised sewing techniques before designing and making a pouch! The children

have been very resilient learning how to thread and knot a needle and - as ever - proud ever some lovely pouches.

Have a wonderful half-term break Year 2 - you have certainly earned it!

Sandpipers and Moorhens

Year 3 have had a busy week of a range of learning experiences. In science, we have investigated the permeability of different types of soil, learnt about fossil formation and even made our own fossils! In DT, we tried our hand at making pneumatic toys. The children showed good resilience and problem-solving skills as they tried to adapt their design to inflate the balloon. We've completed our unit of French on 'Animals' - we have learnt so much that we tried writing our own story in French! In music, we have created a whole class composition inspired by 'The Planets' by Gustav Holst. The children mind mapped the atmosphere they wanted to create for the planet and then explored the musical elements to bring their planning to life with a range of percussion instruments. We finished our maths unit on Length. The children have worked hard on learning how to convert different units of measure and apply it to worded problems. A fantastic half term of work. Have a well-earned rest year 3- you deserve it!

Kingfishers and Lapwings

What a great last week of half term Year 4 have had! The children have completed their writing all about waterfalls in Literacy and in maths have focused on length and perimeter. On Tuesday, the children explored the importance of Online Safety as part of Internet Safety Day and thought carefully about how to recognise a scam. Across the week, we have also completed our design and technology project which has linked brilliantly with our science unit of electricity. The children have designed and created torches in small groups, this took a lot of teamwork, problem solving and resilience but they did a brilliant job! Well done for all of the hard work this half term, we hope you have a lovely half term.

Eagles, Hawks and Kestrels

We have had a busy but productive final week!

This week, in literacy, we have been writing our hot write explanation texts. The children have worked hard to use a range of punctuation to add additional information. They have really enjoyed this unit - we can't wait to read their writing. In maths, year 5 have made superb progress when converting fractions to decimals, whilst Year 6 have been identifying percentages. In science, we have looked at the life cycle of a plant and how this differs to an animal. During history, we have been exploring Greek philosophers and how they have contributed to modern society. In RE, we looked at how we can show more commitment to

our lives in and out of school. We have enjoyed PSHE where we consider the lives of others and how our lives link together. In French, we have been creating recipes using fruit and writing a method for it.

We thoroughly enjoying sharing the children's achievements with you on Wednesday and Thursday at parents evening. We are very proud of their attitude this term.

Today, the children have engaged superbly with break the rules day! Thank you for your support with this fundraising event.

We hope that you all have a restful half term break. I am sure you are all ready for it - we know we are! Happy half term!

Praise

Principal's Praise

Name	Reason
The Girl's Football Team	Congratulations on representing the school at the Inter schools Football Tournament. We are so proud of you!

Sports Praise

Name	Reason
Tashi and Phoebe	For representing the school excellently during the football event at Sandbach United. Well done!!

Reception & Key Stage One

Class	Name	Reason
Cygnets	Whole Class	For a super half term!
Pufflings	Oliver and Willow	For always being kind to friends and staff.
Goldfinches	Hannah	For having a super attitude to learning this week.
Goldfinches	Charlie	For working so hard in our writing intervention group.
Woodpeckers	Dottie	For thinking outside the box and having a good imagination in whole class read.
Woodpeckers	Abigail	For being a supportive talk partner and helping others to edit their writing.
Owls	India	For a fantastic piece of instructional writing in Literacy!
Owls	Charlotte	For demonstrating excellent understanding of multiplication in Maths!
Robins	Maisie	For an excellent set of instructions written in Literacy.
Robins	Esme	For trying really hard in Maths lessons on multiplication.

Key Stage Two

Sandpipers	Jenson	For making great progress in phonics this half term. Well done!
Sandpipers	Thea	For producing a well thought out letter all about Jemmy Button's experience in the city, using some effective vocabulary.
Moorhens	Olivia	For fantastic improvement in her use of vocabulary in her writing.
Moorhens	Benji	For always working to the best of his ability and making fantastic progress in all areas.
Kingfishers	Sid, Daniel and Isaac	For super DT work creating a torch in a team!
Lapwings	Billie	For excellent engagement in maths, during out Length and Perimeter unit, showing her aptitude for maths and her desire to be the best in our lessons! Well done Billie, I love your attitude to our learning.
Lapwings	Mason, Rufus and Henry	For their hard work and effort in DT to make a working circuit with a switch (based on our new science knowledge this half term) and then making this into a torch, as part of our DT project. They made a working torch, with a handle, which demonstrated their brilliant team working skills and their tenacity to complete the task. Well done team!
Kestrels	Indie	For a super effort shown in maths recently, excellent engagement - well done!
Kestrels	Amelia	For creating a super introductory paragraph in her hot write explanation text - well done!
Hawks	Sam	For showing a mature attitude in his approach towards his writing this week and showing a willingness to make improvements.
Hawks	Wendy	For giving 100% every single day. It's always a pleasure to teach you Wendy – well done!
Eagles	Ella	For building great relationships with others in class.
Eagles	Henry	For being a resourceful learner, carefully thinking about how his learning links together.
The Hive	Claudia and Daisy	For being a good friend to others.

The Hive

Although the Hive this week was in a different location for two days the children have still enjoyed craft activities and playing games with their friends.

Kerry based the craft activity on Valentine's Day and created Valentine ladybirds with small groups of children.

Thank you for your support and understanding during Parents Evening. As always please do not share the gate code with others or allow your child to watch you input the pin. Please could we ask that if your child is not at the Hive please could you let the office know in advance, thank you.

Happy Half Term 😊

FOWS NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

Last night, we held our monthly PTA meeting, and we're excited to share some updates with you!

What We Discussed:

- **Christmas Fair Feedback:** We reviewed feedback from the Christmas Fair and are already thinking about how we can make this year's event even more magical.
- **Chocolate Bingo:** Plans are underway for this sweet event—stay tuned for more details!
- **Summer Fair:** We're busy brainstorming ideas to make this year's fair the best one yet. If you'd like to get involved, we'd love to hear from you!

School Lottery – Your Chance to Win!

Did you know our school lottery is drawn every month? For just £1 a month, you could win up to £29! It's a fun way to support the school while potentially winning a little extra cash.

👉 **Enter here:** <https://forms.gle/ZeTih79KEm2vUEkL8>³

Thank you for your continued support—we couldn't do it without you!

Best wishes,

³<https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fforms.gle%2FZeTih79KEm2vUEkL8&data=05|02|office%40wheelock.cheshire.sch.uk|ab51b735877c45e59fe908dd4ce2cb03|f47dd6c3b69848ec8856d2833cc429e4|0|0|638751259136853335|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIiYiOilwLjAuMDAwMClslAiOjXaW4zMlslkFOljoitWFpbcisldUljovfQ%3D%3D|0||&sdata=HQy483la6uN7CIPZF9yerVWU%2BHtnBUMkCuQcrSzUuqc%3D&reserved=0>

Lisa Sumner

PTA Chair

Friends of Wheelock School (FOWS)

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Free School Meals

Please find below the link to apply for Free School Meals. If you do qualify for this it covers lots more than just the school meals therefore it may be worth taking a look.

https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/school-meals/free_school_meals.aspx

⁴<mailto:fowscontact@gmail.com>

Spring Menu

Dates	Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/C: 06.01.2025, 20.01.2025, 03.02.2025, 03.03.2025, 17.03.2025, 31.03.2025.	Main Choice	Pasta Bolognese with Garlic Bread & Vegetables	Chicken Burger served with Wedges & Vegetables	Roast Beef served with Roast Potatoes, Vegetables & Gravy	Cottage Pie served with Vegetables & Gravy	Fish & Chips served with Vegetables
	Vegetarian Choice	Tomato Pasta with Garlic Bread & Vegetables	Veggie Burger served with Wedges & Vegetables	Vegan Fillet served with Roast Potatoes, Vegetables & Gravy	Vegan Sausage served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	Vegan Dippers served with Chips & Vegetables
	Jacket Potato	Cheese	Tuna	Beans	Cheese	Cheese & Beans
	Sandwich	Tuna	Ham	Cheese	Tuna	Ham
	Dessert	Homemade Shortbread or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Chocolate Crunch or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Cake or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Shortbread or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Muffin or Fresh Fruit

Dates	Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/C: 13.01.2025, 27.01.2025, 10.02.2025, 24.02.2025, 10.03.2025, 24.03.2025.	Main Choice	Cheese & Tomato Pizza served with Wedges & Vegetables	Sausage & Tomato Pasta served with Garlic Bread	Roast Turkey served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	Beef Burger served with Chips & Vegetables	All-Day Breakfast
	Vegetarian Choice	Vegan Pizza served with Wedges & Vegetables	Vegan Meatballs & Tomato Pasta served with Garlic Bread	Vegan Sausage served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	Veggie Fingers served with Chips & Vegetables	All-Day Vegan Breakfast
	Jacket Potato	Beans	Cheese	Tuna	Cheese	Cheese & Beans
	Sandwich	Ham	Tuna	Cheese	Ham	Cheese
	Dessert	Homemade Biscuit or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Cake or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Cake or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Chocolate Crunch or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Biscuit or Fresh Fruit

All cakes, biscuits and pizza bases are homemade on the premises
All meat and poultry products are supplied fresh by Anderton's Butchers

Community News

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS





Football
Tuesday
Yr 3-6
25.02.25 - 01.04.25
3:15 - 4:15
£30 (6 weeks)

What does my child need?

- Old trainers/football boots
- PE kits
- Water bottle

Multi-Sports
Thursday
Yr 1/2
27.02.25 - 03.04.25
3:15 - 4:15
£30 (6 weeks)

What does my child need?

- Trainers
- PE kits
- Water bottle

Click **HERE** to book HT4



info@sportscoachinggroup.co.uk



01270 449770



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FEBRUARY
HALF-TERM

CRASH COURSES



Join us this half-term for discounted swimming crash courses!

MONDAY - FRIDAY

1 - 2-1 LESSONS

STAGE SWIMMING

SANDBACH AND MIDDLEWICH HUBS

SAVE £50 ON
1-2-1'S AND £5
ON STAGE
SWIMMING

BOOK HERE:

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FEBRUARY FRENZY

half-term holiday clubs

- ▶ **10% OFF** Book before January 31 on multi-sports clubs
- ▶ **WHEN?** February 17-21
- ▶ **WHERE?** Sandbach Boys' School
- ▶ **TIME:** 8.45am-3.15pm (late and early pick-ups available)
- ▶ **WOW!** Sports specific camps!
- ▶ **amazing** multi-sports clubs



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REJOICE AND THRIVE

SANDBACH FEBRUARY FRENZY

Specialist camps

- ✓ Mon, Feb 17: Football (8.45am-3.15pm)
- ✓ Tues, Feb 18: Hockey (8.45am-3.15pm)
- ✓ Wed Feb 19: Swim/splash (8.45am-3.15pm)
- ✓ Thurs, Feb 20: Cricket (8.45am-3.15pm)
- ✓ Fri, Feb 21: Dance (8.45am-3.15pm)

Multi-sports clubs

- ✓ Basketball, tennis, archery
- ✓ Dodgeball, gymnastics
- ✓ Arts, crafts, dance

Scan QR code to book



FEBRUARY HALF-TERM

17TH-21ST February 2025
Elworth Hall Primary School

9am-3.15pm
 Wrap-around care available

Holiday Fun

Games & Prizes
 Unique Sports
 Craft Activities

Book Online
www.weareallstars.co.uk/holiday-clubs

#EveryoneStars

Sandbach Find us on  @sandbachallstars **Ofsted**

UEFA & FA Qualified Coaches ☆ Themed Days ☆ Limited Spaces

All Stars

Football Camp

17TH-21ST February 2025

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Wrap-around care available



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Hot Food!!

Raffle and Bar!!



QUIZ NIGHT

**FRIDAY
21ST MARCH
2025**

Sandbach Rugby Club
Doors open at: 6:45pm
Food starts at: 7:15pm

£15

per person
including food
Maximum of 8
people in a team

**Tickets available
here or ring Mike
on 01270764287**

All proceeds go to
the 'Friends of
Whelock Playing
Fields'





CREWE NEPTUNE LIFESAVING CLUB

We teach water safety and lifesaving skills, in a fun and safe way!



Why not join us (age 7+)?

Find out more **Enquire for a free taster session!**

Saturday mornings 07:45 to 08:45am at Crewe Lifestyle Centre

Contact: creweneptune@gmail.com
[facebook.com/creweneptuneslifesavingclub](https://www.facebook.com/creweneptuneslifesavingclub)



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Saturday 18 Jan 11am until 2pm

Saturday 15 Feb 11am until 2pm

Saturday 15 Mar 11am until 2pm

Saturday 19 Apr 11am until 2pm

Saturday 17 May 11am until 2pm

Saturday 14 Jun 11am until 2pm

Saturday 19 Jul 11am until 2pm

Saturday 20 Sept 11am until 2pm

Saturday 18 Oct 11am until 2pm

Saturday 15 Nov 11am until 2pm

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2025 CARNIVAL

Coming to Trentham 14th February
- 2nd of March. Join us for a brand
new jaw dropping, heart stopping
production!

[TICKETS](#)



SANDBACH YOUTH THEATRE MIDDLEWICH

Hello! Allow us to introduce ourselves...

Sandbach Youth Theatre was relaunched this year. We are a group for young people interested in devising theatre and, showcasing their creative voices. For ages 6 - 12, sessions take place at Sandbach Library on Wednesdays 5:00pm - 6:30pm.

We currently have spaces for new members, we are offering a free trial session after half term! It will be opportunity for your young person to meet new people, participate in drama games, and work creatively!

If you would like to come along to the session, you can sign up with the email below. We look forward to hearing from you!

If you would like to join us, please contact us at
info@sandbachmiddlewichyouththeatre.co.uk

