

Week 13



Wistaston Weekly

Friday 6th December 2024

The countdown to Christmas is well and truly underway! Our school looks wonderfully festive, with beautifully decorated Christmas hoops created by the children and Christmas trees adorned with their Christmas wishes.

This Monday and Tuesday, our EYFS children will perform their nativity for family and friends. KS1 had the pleasure of enjoying the performance yesterday, and KS2 will have the opportunity to see it on Monday morning.

Thursday promises to be a fun-filled and busy Christmas-themed day! The children will take part in our annual Elf Run to raise much-needed funds for St Luke's Hospice. They are encouraged to come to school ready to join in, with the option of wearing a Christmas jumper instead of their usual sports top. In the morning, every child will receive an elf hat to complete their outfit, which they can also wear to enjoy a festive Christmas dinner. After all that exercise, it's sure to taste even better! If you'd like to make a donation to St Luke's Hospice, please use [JustGiving Donation Link](#).



Finally, a heartfelt thank you to everyone who has already contributed to the West Cheshire Hospital Christmas Present Appeal by sending in a red tag. These gifts go directly to the hospital and are greatly appreciated. If you still need a red tag, please feel free to collect one from the school office.

Only 19 sleeps until Christmas!

Kind regards

Mrs Elsley

Principal

Useful Dates for Diary

Further details are shared nearer to the time.

Any new dates added to this will be highlighted in green.

Important dates can also be found on the School Calendar at:

<https://www.wclacademy.co.uk/calendar>



Week Beginning 2nd December	Friday 6th	Malbank School Christmas Fayre (5:30pm)
Week Beginning 9th December	Monday 9 th	EYFS Nativity (2pm)
	Tuesday 10 th	EYFS Nativity (9:30am)
	Tuesday 10 th	Year 2 Christmas Songs for U3A at Wistaston Memorial Hall (11:15am)
	Thursday 12 th	Christmas Dinner
	Thursday 12 th	Christmas Jumper Day
	Thursday 12 th	Elf Run in aid of St Luke's Hospice
Week Beginning 16th December	Monday 16th	Crewe & Nantwich Junio Schools' Football Association Autumn Term Football League Match vs Sound & District Primary School (3pm – By invitation only; Spectators from 3:30pm)
	Tuesday 17 th	Christmas concert at Shavington Academy (School Choir – 6-8pm)
	Wednesday 18 th	Cygnets Christmas Crafts with Parents
	Wednesday 18 th	KS1 Carol Service (5pm) – CHANGE OF DATE
	Thursday 19 th	Staff Pantomime
Week Beginning 23rd December	Mon 23 rd – Fri 27 th	Christmas Holidays
Week Beginning 30th December	Mon 30 th – Fri 3 rd	Christmas Holidays
Week Beginning 6th January	Monday 6 th	INSET Day
	Tuesday 7 th	School reopens after the holidays
	Tuesday 7 th	Smart Uniform Click & Collect (3-3:30pm)
	Tuesday 7 th	Year 3 Delamere Information Evening (3:30pm)
Week Beginning 13th January	Wednesday 15 th	Closing Date for Primary School Admissions Applications for September 2025
Week Beginning 20th January	Wed 22 nd – Thur 23 rd	Year 3 Tokyo Delamere Residential
	Thur 23 rd – Fri 24 th	Year 3 Seoul Delamere Residential
Week Beginning 27th January		
Week Beginning 3rd February	Mon 3 rd – Fri 7 th	Children's Mental Health Week
	Mon 3 rd – Fri 7 th	LGBT+ Month
	Tuesday 4 th	Smart Uniform Click & Collect (3-3:30pm)
Week Beginning 10th February	Mon 10th – Tues 11th	Year 5 Level 2 Bikeability
	Tuesday 11 th	Safer Internet Day
	Thursday 13 th	Year 1 Chester Zoo Trip

Week Commencing 9th December will be WEEK 2 for lunches

Please note that Thursday 12th December will be Christmas Dinner instead of the usual menu. There will be a vegetarian version available but there will be no jacket potato or sandwich option that day.

WEEK 2		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	TREAT FRIDAY
MAIN DISH		Cheese & vegetable quesadilla with wedges	BBQ chicken wrap with savoury rice	Traditional cottage pie	Beefburger on a bun with chips	Chicken and bacon pasta with garlic bread
MAIN DISH 2		Vegetable stir fry with chicken style pieces and noodles	Vegetable pasta bake	Potato & cauliflower curry with 50/50 rice	Falafel in a pitta with slaw	Macaroni cheese with garlic bread
ACCOMPANIMENTS		Seasonal vegetables & Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables & Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables & Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables & Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables & Salad bar
JACKET POTATO/ SANDWICHES		Jacket potato with cheese or beans Or Cheese bap	Jacket potato with cheese or coleslaw Or Tuna wrap	Jacket potato with tuna or beans Or Turkey pitta	Jacket potato with coleslaw or beans Or Cheese Bap	Jacket potato with cheese or beans Or Ham salad wrap
DESSERTS		Shortbread	Flapjack	Apple crumble & custard	Chocolate sponge & custard	Chopped mixed fruit with butterscotch whip
FRESH FRUIT & YOGHURT		Freshly cut fruit or yoghurt	Freshly cut fruit or yoghurt	Freshly cut fruit or yoghurt	Freshly cut fruit or yoghurt	Freshly cut fruit or yoghurt

NUTRITIONIST APPROVED 5 OF YOUR 5 A DAY

Mellors MENU   Fuel your afternoon with a healthy school lunch from Mellors 5 OF YOUR 5 A DAY - 1 OF YOUR 5 A DAY - HEALTHY OPTION

What's New!

Safety

For everyone's safety, when parking and using roads around school, please take extra care to look out for pedestrians and cyclists. Thank you.

Year 5 & 6 Football Match vs Wybunbury Delves

The Year 5 & 6 football team played their second league match on Tuesday against Wybunbury Delves Primary School. The team showed great determination throughout the match and emerged victorious with a 3-1 win. The goals were spread across three different players, highlighting the team's collective effort and skill in securing the win.

Malbank School Christmas Fayre

Please see below for details of Malbank School's Christmas Fayre:



[EYFS Nativity](#)

All EYFS pupils should have received 2 tickets for each performance. If you do not require all your tickets, please return any spares to the school office.

Younger siblings may attend without a ticket if they can be sat on an adult's lap. We do however ask that they are taken out of the hall if they become restless or may cause a distraction. Unfortunately, due to space being limited, pushchairs and prams cannot be taken into the hall.

[Christmas Pin Badges](#)

We currently have a limited stock of Christmas pin badges in the school office. These can be purchased for a donation of £1.50 each (cash only) and are available on a 'first come, first served' basis. All proceeds will go to Macmillan Cancer Support. A big thank you to our pupil in Year 5 who has organised this.

[Shavington Academy Christmas Community Concert](#)

Our school choir will be performing at the Shavington Academy Christmas Community Concert on **Tuesday 17th December**.

Doors open at 17:30 with the concert commencing at **18:00**. Tickets are priced as follows: Adults £4.00 and Children £1.00 (price of ticket includes refreshments). **Tickets can be purchased from Shavington Academy's Main Reception from Monday 2nd December (Cash only). Due to the anticipated demand for tickets, parents/carers are urged NOT to leave it**

too late to purchase tickets as a maximum of 220 tickets per concert will be available. We are looking into the possibility of other ways to obtain tickets and will advise if other routes become available.

There will be prizes to be won at the concert. Raffle tickets will be £1.00 per strip. There will also be refreshments available at the interval. Please note all funds raised from the concert will be re-invested into Shavington Academy's Music Department to purchase new music, musical instruments and to stage school productions.

[Special Education Needs & Disabilities \(SEND\) Local Offer Marketplace](#)

Please see below details of an upcoming event for parents/carers:

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)
Local Offer Marketplace



For all parents/carers with children aged 0-25 who would like to find out more about our SEND Local Offer and how we can support you and your child. Drop in and meet with multiple agencies all in one place!

Tuesday 17th December 4pm-6pm
0-19+ SEND Health Practitioner
Speech and Language Therapist
Education Psychologist
LDCAMHS
SPOTSS



Monks Coppenhall Family Hub
Remer Street, Crewe, CW1 4LY
01270 371240



[Mid Cheshire Hospitals](#)

Last week, each child should have brought home a red gift label for our Christmas appeal in support of *Mid Cheshire Hospitals Charity*. By scanning the QR code below, you'll find their wish list and can purchase a gift for either an adult or child who will be spending Christmas in hospital. If you use the link, this will be delivered straight to the hospital. Once you have donated a gift, can you please fill in your red label with your name and bring the label back to school to hang on our tree. Feel free to also add a little message (e.g, "I hope you enjoy this Lego set"). All donated presents will be delivered straight to the wards for everyone to enjoy.

Give a gift

Mid Cheshire Hospitals Charity

Lots of children and adults will spend Christmas in hospital, if you would like to help us to make sure everyone gets a gift on Christmas morning please check out our Wishlists to order a gift to be delivered directly to us and we'll do the rest.

The list has been carefully curated by the teams who support our patients to include the things we know are needed the most.

We are very grateful for the ongoing support we receive from our Mid Cheshire community.

Thank you for your donations.

Scan the QR code or visit our website to buy a gift
mchcharity.org/give-a-gift-2/

For any questions contact
charity@mcht.nhs.uk

amazon wishlist

mchcharity.org
 @mchcharity

if you have any queries please contact the Charity Team on 01270 273248 (during office hours Mon-Fri) or email charity@mcht.nhs.uk
 Registered Charity No. 1040208

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 REGULATORY

After School & Lunchtime Clubs Spring 1

We are pleased to be offering various after school and lunch clubs for the Spring term. Our aim is that these clubs will enrich your child's learning and provide them with different experiences.

All after school clubs will run weekly (term-time only) from the week beginning 13th January to the week ending 21st March unless otherwise stated in last week's letter. All after school clubs will end at 4.15pm and children should be collected from the Junior Playground.

Clubs run by staff members are free and only those booked directly through Sports Coaching Group are charged for.

Where places are limited, we will be operating on a 'first come, first served' basis. All clubs run by school staff are now live on Arbor. We kindly ask that you initially book only one free after-school club for your child to ensure that everyone has a fair opportunity to take part in the clubs. If there are still places available on Sunday 5th January, additional clubs may then be booked. If a club will not accept your booking, this usually means that it is fully subscribed.

Please note that due to staff absences we may need to cancel clubs at short notice. We will, of course, do our utmost to avoid this and to help where we can.

Please consider that the notice period for cancelling places at Swan Stars is four weeks and that we are sending this letter out early to help you to make the necessary arrangements.

All clubs run by Sports Coaching Group (see below) should be booked directly at [Wistaston Church Lane Primary School - Spring Term 1 \(Tue 7th Jan 2025 - Thu 13th Feb 2025\) | Sports Coaching Group](#).



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Multi-Sports Tuesday Reception - Yr 6 07.01.25 - 11.02.25 3:15 - 4:15 £30 (6 weeks)	Dodgeball Wednesday Reception - Yr 6 08.01.25 - 12.02.25 3:15 - 4:15 £30 (6 weeks)	Football Thursday Reception - Yr 6 09.01.25 - 13.02.25 3:15 - 4:15 £30 (6 weeks)
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✉ info@sportscoachinggroup.co.uk
☎ 01270 449770
🌐 sportscoachinggroup.co.uk

Staff Vacancies

We have vacancies for a Midday Assistant and an After School Play Worker. If you know anyone who could be interested, please see the following links for more details:

<https://www.tes.com/jobs/vacancy/midday-assistant-cheshire-east-2142160>

<https://www.tes.com/jobs/vacancy/before-and-after-school-club-play-worker-cheshire-east-2139233>

Please note that all applications need to be submitted online via these links.

Infection Control

If your child is unwell and won't be attending school, please inform the school of their symptoms and expected return date.

Should I keep my child off school?



Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



SCAN ME

Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

Easyfundraising

We're now registered with easyfundraising, which means you can help us for FREE. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself! All you need to do is sign up and remember to use easyfundraising whenever you shop online. It's easy and completely FREE! These donations really mount up, so please sign up to support us at [WCLA Easyfundraising Link](#)

School Lottery

The Friends of Wistaston Church Lane Academy would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has signed up to our school lottery over the last few weeks. For further information on how to join our lottery and support our school, please visit:

[WCLA Lottery link](#)

SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY TODAY

£1 per week

Weekly cash prizes

£25,000 jackpot

YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

How it works...

It's simple—choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes. One of our players will win a cash prize every week, maybe even the £25k jackpot! Tickets cost just £1 per week and the proceeds are donated to Wistaston Church Lane Academy

Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

The easiest way to join our lottery is online by direct debit or debit card.

It's so easy to join and will make a real difference to Wistaston Church Lane Academy

Splitting the £1.00

- 40p goes to our school
- 36p goes to cash prizes
- 20p goes to admin costs
- 4p goes to VAT

The Maths... 100 tickets sold a week means
 = £30 weekly cash prize
 = £2,080 a year for our school

Buy A Ticket

GambleAware 18+

School Applications

Please see below details of the application process for admissions to Reception in September 2025: **Please be aware that primary school applications for current Cygnet pupils close on Wednesday 15th January 2025.**



**Apply online
for a school place**
It's quick and easy

If you are a parent resident in Cheshire East, with a child born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, your child will be due to start primary school in September 2025.

If you do not have web access
call 0300 123 5012

You can apply from
1st September 2024 at
[www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/
schooladmissions](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schooladmissions)
Applications should be submitted by

31st October 2024 for secondary

15th January 2025 for primary

Late applications may be disadvantaged

**Cheshire East
Council**

Payment Due Dates

KS2 Snack Autumn 1 – Payment OVERDUE

KS2 Snack Autumn 2 – Payment now due

Year 4 Whitemoor Lakes – Final Balance OVERDUE

Year 6 Condover Hall – Deposit of £60 OVERDUE

Year 3 Delamere Residential – Final Balance due by 06/12/24

Year 4 Chester Deva Museum – Payment due by 13/12/24

Year 6 (Current Year 5) London 2025 – 1st Deposit of £30 due by 13/12/24

Year 1 Chester Zoo – Payment due by 10/01/25

Year 6 Condover Hall – Final Balance due by 24/01/25

Year 6 (Current Year 5) London 2025 – 2nd Deposit of £70 due by 31/01/25

Year 6 (Current Year 5) London 2025 – 3rd payment of £100 due by 31/03/25

Year 6 (Current Year 5) London 2025 – 4th payment of £100 due by 31/05/25

Year 6 (Current Year 5) London 2025 – Final Balance due by 03/07/25