

Week 6



Wistaston Weekly

Friday 9th October 2026

There is lots to celebrate across school this week. Our Nursery and Reception children have both enjoyed local visits to the church, giving them a lovely opportunity to take their learning beyond the classroom and explore our local community. It has also been a pleasure celebrating children across school in our Friday celebration assemblies.

We have been continuing to develop our indoor provision in Year 1, helping to support a smooth transition from Reception into Year 1. The children are really enjoying exploring the different areas, including Writing, Curiosity, Maths and Construction, which provide opportunities to investigate, practise key skills and develop their independence.



A reminder that Parent Consultations for EYFS and Key Stage 1 take place on Wednesday and Thursday next week. We look forward to welcoming families into school and sharing how the children are getting on. **Please remember to enter school via the Swan Stars door, next to the main school reception.**

I hope everyone has an enjoyable weekend.

Best wishes

Mrs Lees

Headteacher

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 commencing 12 th October	Wednesday 14 th	Year 5 Swimming Lessons
	Wed 14 th & Thurs 15 th	EYFS & KS1 Parents Evenings
	Thursday 15 th	School Tour for Reception (September 2027 (Intake) – Bookable in advance) – 9:15am
	Friday 16 th	Rock Steady Launch Assembly
Week commencing 19 th October	Monday 19 th	School Tour for Reception (September 2027 (Intake) – Bookable in advance) – 9:15am
	Monday 19 th	The Friends of WCLA AGM (2:15-3:15pm)
	Tuesday 20 th	EYFS Spooky Disco
	Wednesday 21 st	Year 5 Swimming Lesson
	Wednesday 21 st	Cygnets Stay & Play Session (2:30-3:15pm)
	Wed 21 st & Thurs 22 nd	KS2 Parents Evenings
	Thursday 22 nd	Academy Photography – Individual & Class Photographs
	Friday 23 rd	Wear it Pink Day
Week commencing 26 th October	Mon 26 th – Fri 30 th	Half Term
	Saturday 31 st	Deadline for Secondary School Applications for September 2027
Week commencing 2 nd November	Monday 2 nd	INSET Day
	Tuesday 3 rd	Smart Uniform Click & Collect
	Wednesday 4 th	Year 5 Swimming Lessons
	Friday 6 th	Cheshire East Local Offer Parent Carer Coffee Mornings (Nantwich Methodist Church – see below for more details)
Week commencing 9 th November	Monday 9 th	School Tour for Reception (September 2027 (Intake) – Bookable in advance) – 9:15am
	Wednesday 11 th	Year 5 Swimming Lessons
	Saturday 14 th	Visyon and Epic LAN Rocket League Gaming Day Free Event for Families(10-2 – see below for more details)
Week Commencing 16 th November	Wednesday 18 th	Year 5 Swimming Lesson
	Thursday 19 th	Year 5 Tatton Park Anglo Saxon Day
	Friday 20 th	School Tour for Reception (September 2027 (Intake) – Bookable in advance) – 9:15am

Week Commencing 5th September will be WEEK 1 of our menu for lunches

WEEK 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN DISH	Cheese and Onion pie	BBQ chicken served with rice	Pork sausages served with creamy mashed potatoes	Spaghetti Bolognese with garlic bread	Fish fingers and chunky chips
VEGETARIAN MAIN DISH	Tomato and vegetable pasta bake	Vegetable Chow Mein	Quorn sausages served with creamy mashed potatoes	Quorn Lasagne with garlic bread	Cheese and tomato pin wheels
ACCOMPANIMENTS 5	Carrots & peas and salad bar	Mini corn on the cob and salad bar	Broccoli & gravy and salad bar	Green beans and salad bar	Baked beans, peas and salad bar
DESSERTS	Jam and coconut sponge	Strawberry Mousse	Cornflake Tart	Lemon Shortbread	Oaty cookie
FRESH FRUIT OR YOGHURT	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt
JACKET POTATO / SANDWICH	Jacket potato & today's choice of filling	Ham Sandwich	Jacket potato & today's choice of filling	Cheese Sandwich	Jacket potato & today's choice of filling



Fuel your afternoon with a healthy school lunch from Mellors

KEY 5 - 1 OF YOUR 5 A DAY MEAT-FREE MONDAY - CHEF'S CHOICE P16 - PLANT-BASED (VEGAN)

Allergens and Intolerances All of our food is lovingly hand crafted and prepared on site daily. We have an allergen procedure in place, so please ensure you make our catering team aware of your allergens/ your child's allergens prior to using the restaurant. Our kitchens are used for multi-purpose production so we cannot guarantee the above dishes are completely free from allergenic ingredients or traces of these.

What's New!

Weekly Digital Safety Spotlight

Weekly Digital Safety Spotlight
This week: Supporting Children's Mental Health through Nature

Scooters & Bicycles

We are pleased to see so many children coming to school on scooters and bicycles and making use of the new storage racks. To help keep everyone safe, we kindly ask that pupils (and parents) dismount before coming onto the school site and that all scooters are pushed (not ridden) whilst on site. Thank you for your kind cooperation.

Healthy Snacks

As part of our commitment to supporting healthy lifestyles, we would like to remind families that children who bring their own snack for morning break should only bring healthy snack options which could include: fresh fruit, vegetables or other nutritious choices.

Please avoid sending crisps, chocolate, sweets, sugary snacks, fizzy drinks or other less healthy snacks, as these are not suitable for school snack times. Providing a healthy snack helps children maintain their energy levels, concentration and readiness for learning throughout the school day.

Thank you for your support in helping us encourage positive habits and make healthy choices a normal part of school life. By working together, we can ensure that all children are ready to learn and thrive each day.

Please see the link to the NHS below for healthy snack ideas at home.

[Healthier snacks - Food facts - Healthier Families - NHS](#)

Parents Evenings

Parents evenings will take place on the following dates:

EYFS/KS1 – Wednesday 14th & Thursday 15th October

KS2 – Wednesday 21st & Thursday 22nd October

Appointments are now live under Guardian *Consultations* on Arbor. Ten minute slots will be available between 15:40 and 18:00 on each day. We kindly ask that you tick the relevant boxes to indicate who will be attending. Bookings will close on Tuesday 13th for EYFS/KS1 and Tuesday 20th for KS2.

Please note that for Year 2 Helsinki, bookings should be made under Mrs Culshaw. However, the meetings will be held with Mrs Halfpenny.

The technical issue that was preventing bookings for Year 5 has now been resolved. Apologies for any inconvenience that was caused.

Parents evening will be held in the KS1 hall. Please use the Swan Stars door to enter and exit. Children's books will be available for you to look through prior to your appointment. To ensure you get the time you have booked please follow the bell system which signals the start and end of each appointment.

School Dinners

Please see below for information about our school caterers, Mellors, and Free School Meals:



A promotional poster for Mellors Catering Services. The poster features a collage of images showing various food items like bread, pastries, and a food truck. The text on the poster includes:

- WELCOME TO MELLORS CATERING SERVICES**
- Your School Meals Caterer.**
- Mellors is a proud, family-run education caterer with a passion for serving up seriously tasty, wholesome meals in schools and further education settings. With over 350 sites across the North, Midlands, and beyond, we're all about bold flavours, exciting menus, and memorable foodie experiences - right down to the very last crumb!
- We're here to transform your school dining. From our "wheelie" fun Tuk Truck serving global street food (no passport required!) to a range of creative foodie initiatives, we offer more than just great meals!
- Our meals are made fresh from scratch using quality ingredients, sourced from over 30 trusted local suppliers - delivering even more flavour, packed with nutrients, and full of goodness.
- We're committed to providing nutritionally balanced meals that don't cost the earth. At Mellors, we don't just fill plates - we "Fuel Minds and Nourish Futures."
- WHERE ELSE CAN YOU FIND US?**
- www.mellorscatering.co.uk
- Mellors_Catering_Services
- 01695 737 280
- Mellors Catering Services
- SCAN ME! FOR MORE INFO**
- A QR code for more information.

MAKE SAVINGS BY CLAIMING YOUR FREE SCHOOL MEAL

Save time and money by claiming your free school meal allowance today.
Not sure if you can claim?
Read on to learn more...

Did you know?
There are two types of free school meal...

Universal infants Free School Meals (UIFSM)
Pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 (KS1) are entitled to a free school meal regardless of income.
All you need to do is inform your school that you wish your child to have a daily hot meal.

Free School Meals (FSM)
Your child may be entitled to a Free School Meal. **However, with FSM you will need to apply.** The link on this sheet is for your local authority (search your postcode) and there is information from the Government website about FSM. Your child's school will also have an application form, if you prefer to complete it by hand.

Free school meals give children the nutrition they need to thrive during the school day - boosting focus, learning, health, and overall wellbeing.

Each day, your child can choose a hot meal from the menu served with dessert, fresh fruit or yoghurt, fresh water on all tables. Menus are available on the school website, and our Catering Manager is happy to discuss any food allergies, intolerances or dietary requirements.

save up to £495 per year per child on school lunches.

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or visit: www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals for more info!

Do you receive any of these?

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (restrictions apply)
- Working Tax Credit run-on
- Universal Credit - **NEW eligibility criteria takes effect September 2026.** All households receiving Universal Credit will be able to access free school meals (previously capped at £7,400 income).

Check your eligibility today!

Fundraising Raffle

We're pleased to let you know that our school is joining eight other local primary schools for a special fundraising raffle, with some fantastic prizes kindly donated for the campaign.

There will be seven winners, each receiving two hospitality tickets in a private suite at Co-op Live, Manchester, for their choice of:

Muse — Friday 13 November 2026

Kasabian — Saturday 19 December 2026

The hospitality prizes, which include premium seating, food and drinks, have a combined value of approximately £7,000 and have been donated in full.

Most importantly, 80% of all paid online entries will be shared equally between the nine participating schools, helping raise money for equipment, opportunities and experiences for local children.

The nine participating schools are:

- Wistaston Church Lane Academy
- Shavington Primary School
- Leighton Academy

- Wheelock Primary School
- Black Firs Primary School
- Daven Primary School
- Castle Primary School
- Dove Bank Primary School
- Egerton Primary School

We're very grateful to Stephenson Browne Estate & Letting Agents, who are supporting the campaign with a generous £1,000 contribution towards our local schools.

Tickets are £5 each, and the raffle closes on 7 November 2026.

Enter the raffle here: win.rafflestack.co.uk

If you would like to support the fundraiser, we would also really appreciate you sharing it with family, friends and colleagues.

Thank you, as always, for supporting our school and our wider local school community, and good luck to everyone who enters.

Entrants must be 18+. 80% of paid online entry sales are distributed to the participating schools and 20% is retained by Rafflestack to cover the platform, payment processing and administration. A free postal entry route is available, with full details on the raffle page.

For more information, please see the attached flyer or <https://youtu.be/p0zI0oPscmE>

7 WINNERS
2 PRIVATE-SUITE HOSPITALITY TICKETS EACH
£7,000 TOTAL PRIZE VALUE

MUSE
FRIDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2026

OR

KASABIAN
SATURDAY 19 DECEMBER 2026

A VIP EXPERIENCE AT CO-OP LIVE

PRIVATE SUITE | PREMIUM SEATS | ALL FOOD & DRINK INCLUDED | WAITER SERVICE

SUPPORTING 9 PRIMARY SCHOOLS ACROSS THE LEARNING PARTNERSHIP

Black Firs Primary School	Castle Primary School and Nursery	Daven Primary School
Dove Bank Primary School	Egerton Primary School and Nursery	Leighton Academy Primary School and Nursery
Shavington Primary School	Wheelock Primary School	Wileston Church Lane Academy

£5 PER ENTRY WIN WITH RaffleStack

80% OF ALL PAID ONLINE ENTRY SALES ARE SHARED EQUALLY BETWEEN ALL 9 SCHOOLS
Helping fund equipment, opportunities and experiences for local children.

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Harvest Donations

As we prepare for our Harvest celebrations, we are once again collecting donations to support Chance Changing Lives, helping local families and individuals facing hardship. We would be grateful for donations of non-perishable food items, toiletries and household essentials. Each class will have a collection box, and we hope to fill them all as we come together to support our local community. Please send donations into school by **16th October**. Thank you for your kindness and generosity

Academy Photography & Photo Permissions

Academy Photography will be visiting school on Thursday 22nd October to take individual and sibling photographs. If you have not already confirmed consent for photographs on Arbor, we ask that you complete the following:

- Assemblies, Concerts, Sports Day, School and Class Photograph's and Ad-hoc Events - September 2024 onwards
- Educational and School Promotional Purposes (including individual and class photographs) - September 2024 onwards
- Website and Social Media Image Consent - September 2024 onwards
- Local newspapers and for their name to be published

Please note that once consent is confirmed, this consent will apply throughout your child's time at Wistaston Church Lane Academy. If you wish to make any changes to this consent, please contact the school office.

Pupils should wear **full school uniform** on photograph day.



School photos will be conducted on
Thursday 22nd of October - 2026

At this session we will be photographing:
Everyone

Siblings
Individuals

Please ensure full uniform is worn and children are neat and tidy.
Parents will receive free proofs of every image and
the option to make a purchase.

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Governing Body

If you would like to contribute to the strategic development of school, why not join our governing body as a parent representative? Our Chair of Governors would be pleased to discuss this opportunity with anyone who would like to get involved. Please contact the school office if you are interested.

BBC 500 Words

The BBC 500 Words competition is the UK's biggest children's story-writing competition for 5-11 year-olds. This year's theme is 'write a story you would love to read'. We would love some of our children to take part and show off their wonderful writing skills! The competition opens for entries from Tuesday 29th September and closes at 9pm on Friday 6th November. Entries should be submitted via the BBC 500 Words website:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words>. Good luck!



The Friends of WCLA AGM

This year's AGM will take place in school on Monday 19 October at 2.15pm. Please see below the available positions that the Friends are hoping to fill:

Chair

Vice Chair

Treasurer

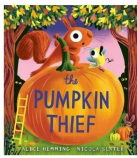
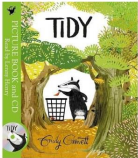
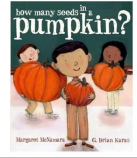
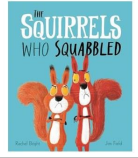
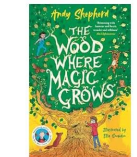
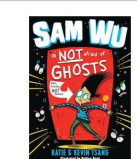
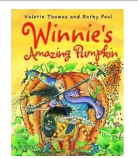
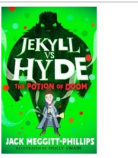
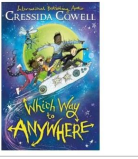
Secretary

Trustee

Any support you can offer the Friends would be much appreciated as they are a significant part of our school community. All are welcome to attend the AGM.

October Book Recommendations

Get cosy this October with our selection of seasonal reads for EYFS, KS1 and KS2. From autumn adventures to spooky stories, we hope there's a book here for everyone to enjoy!

	With just a little help from Bird, Squirrel has grown some lovely pumpkins! He is so pleased with himself. But soon there's a problem... the pumpkins keep disappearing, one by one! Squirrel can't understand it. He's determined to catch the thief before Bird returns. The leaf thief is also a great story to share. The illustrations in both stories are brilliant for our youngest readers.		Pete the badger likes everything to be neat and tidy at all times, but what starts as the collecting of one fallen leaf escalates and ends with the complete destruction of the forest! Will Pete realise the error of his ways and set things right? Tidy is another amazing book by Emily Gravett. It is a simple story about how we can impact on our surroundings and why caring for our environment is vital.
	Counting pumpkin seeds is messy business, but once the slimy job is done, to everyone's surprise, the smallest pumpkin has the most seeds! As Charlie happily exclaims, Small things have a lot going on inside of them. Mr. Tiffin and his students explore skip counting and estimation in a fun pumpkin-themed classroom experiment! This book is a fun way to reinforce counting skills at home.		Two greedy squirrels learn to share in the third hilarious rhyming adventure from the bestselling creators of THE LION INSIDE. Greedy squirrels Cyril and Bruce both have their sights on a very special prize: THE VERY LAST NUT OF THE SEASON! As the nut bounces crazily through the forest, the squirrels race after it, right to the edge of a waterfall! Working together might be the only way to save themselves now ...
	The first book in an enchanting new series from the author of the bestselling THE BOY WHO GREW DRAGONS, full of unexpected adventure, wonder and wildness, and just a little touch of magic! When Iggy discovers overgrown Wiltkop Wood at the end of his new garden, he couldn't be more excited. A whole new world opens up for him and his brother Cal, high in the treetops, a world of tangled greenery and unexpected adventure.		On a school trip to a lakeside campsite, Izzy and her friends are sure something strange is going on. Lunches keep disappearing, mysterious ripples appear on the water, and rumours of a monster spread fast. Winner of the Laugh Out Loud Book Award.
	Sam Wu is NOT a scaredy-cat (except he is). When a trip to the Space Museum goes terrifyingly wrong, Sam begins a mission to prove to the school bully, and all of his friends, that he is a fearless space adventurer. A laugh-out-loud, voice-led and madcap story of ghost hunting, snakes and mischievous pet cats called Butterbutt.		Winnie and Wilbur love their vegetables. They are regulars at the weekly farmers' market to stock up on their greens, but bringing them back home on a broomstick proves to be rather hazardous. So Winnie decides to grow her own and digs a vegetable patch in her garden. Not having the patience of a true gardener, she uses a little magic to speed up the growing process... only to end up with a garden overrun by enormous vegetables.
	Marinka dreams of a normal life, where her house stays in one place long enough for her to make friends. But her house has chicken legs and moves on without warning. Marinka's grandmother is Baba Yaga, who guides spirits between this world and the next. Marinka longs to change her destiny and sets out to break free from her grandmother's footsteps, but her house has other ideas...		In a whimsical twist on the classic Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde by R.L. Stevenson, spoiled young Henrik Jekyll has been left his ancestor Dr Jekyll's house, laboratory, and... most importantly... secret, life-altering Hyde Potion recipe. Henrik's curiosity soon leads him down a dark path, unleashing a chaotic alter ego named Eddie.
	Morrigan Crow is cursed, destined to die on her eleventh birthday. But, as the clock strikes midnight, she's whisked away by a remarkable man called Jupiter North and taken to the secret city of Nevermoor. There she's invited to join the Wondrous Society. Mystery, magic and protection are hers - if only she can pass four impossible trials, using an exceptional talent, which she doesn't have...		From the bestselling author of How to Train Your Dragon comes an out-of-this-world new adventure... K2 O'Hara is a seemingly ordinary boy - after all, he and his twin sister Izzabird have been sworn to keep their family's magical history a secret. Not even their infuriating stepiblings, Theo and Mabel, know that magic exists. They believe K2 to be the most hopeless person they have ever known.

After School & Lunchtime Clubs – Autumn 2

After school clubs for next half term are now live under *Clubs* on Arbor. **All after school clubs will run weekly (term-time only) from the week beginning 3rd November to the week ending 13th December.** All after school clubs will end at 4.15pm and children should be collected from the Junior Playground.

If Arbor will not accept registration for a club, this indicates that the club is fully booked. If you would like your child to be added to the waiting list in case of cancellations, please email the school office.

Please be aware that the safety of both pupils and staff is a priority and the expectations of being Ready, Respectful and Safe apply equally to the normal school day and extra-curricular clubs. To ensure the safety of all, if staff consider a pupil's behaviour during a club could negatively impact either themselves or others, their attendance of the club will be reviewed.

After school football clubs run by Crewe Alex will be available to book directly at [Crewe Alexandra In The Community](#). Please be aware that their website is currently being updated but the clubs should show under *Events & Clubs* soon.

Wear it Pink Day – Friday 23rd October

We will be holding a *Wear it Pink Day* on Friday 23rd October in support of Breast Cancer now. Please see below for more details:



Primary and Secondary School Admission Applications Open

Applications are now open for children starting primary school and transitioning to secondary school. Parents are strongly advised to apply for three preferences. Applications must be submitted to the child's home local authority by:

- 31 October 2026 for pupils moving up to High School in September 2027.
- 15 January 2027 for pupils starting primary in September 2027.

Parents still need to apply even if pupils have a brother or sister already at the school or the child is attending a nursery/preschool attached to the school. Some faith schools may also require parents and carers to submit a supplementary information form/confirmation of baptism. Further information about this will be available on the school's website.

Parents should consider how their child will travel to school when making preferences. Parents can find out about school transport at [School transport](#).

To apply online and for further information please go to [Apply for September 2027 school place](#) or call 0300 123 5012.

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 2022 and 31 August 2023, your child will be due to start primary school in September 2027.

If you do not have web access
Call 0300 123 2012



You can apply from 1st September 2026 at
www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schooladmissions
Applications should be submitted by

31st October 2026 Secondary
15th January 2027 Primary
Late applications may be disadvantaged



Infection Control

Please be aware that there has been a reported case of impetigo in KS2. Please see <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/impetigo/> for symptoms and treatment

For NHS-recommended advice on common childhood illnesses and guidance on when your child should stay off school, visit [Patient.info](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/impetigo/).

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



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Advice and guidance

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

Diarrhoea and vomiting in children

There's no specific cure for stomach bugs such as **Norovirus**. See tips to reduce the spread and treat symptoms

Keep kids home from school for

48 HOURS

after symptoms have passed. This is enough time to let the virus run its course

If your child already has a serious illness, or symptoms last longer than a few days, contact your GP to seek advice
Visit nhs.uk/norovirus

choices local authority



Washing hands frequently and thoroughly helps limit the spread of the virus

25 different strains of Norovirus are known to affect humans. They're the most common cause of stomach bugs in the UK

Home Treatment



Paracetamol is useful for fever or aches and pain



Give kids plenty of water to stay hydrated and replace lost fluids



If your child feels like eating, give them bland foods



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CHESHIRE EAST SEND TEAM
EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGISTS - NHS 0-19+ SERVICE -
CEAT - SALT - SPECIALIST TEACHERS - SPOTTS

Oakenclough Family Hub Colshaw Drive, Wilmslow, SK9 2PZ Monday 19th October 2026 Monday 8th February 2027 Monday 24th May 2027	Wesley Place Methodist Church Lawton Rd, Alsager, ST7 2AF Monday 2nd November 2026 Friday 26th February 2027 Monday 7th June 2027
Nantwich Methodist Church Hospital Street, Nantwich, CW5 5RP Friday 6th November 2026 Friday 12th February 2027 Friday 28th May 2027	Macclesfield Town Hall Marketplace, Macclesfield, SK10 1EA Friday 20th November 2026 Monday 22nd February 2027 Wednesday 9th June 2027

Book a place today →




Connected Conversation Appointments - Educational Psychology Service



Cheshire East
Educational
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**Do you need to share concerns, ask questions, or
receive practical advice to support your child?**



Family
Hub
Together for you

You might benefit from a 'Connected Conversation Appointment' with a member of the Educational Psychology Service. These sessions give parents and carers an opportunity to speak with a member of the Educational Psychology Service about one of our focus areas:

- Cognition and Learning
- SEMH (Social, Emotion and Mental Health)

Please note that Connected Conversation Appointments are not sessions for Local Authority processes (e.g. EHCPs or placement changes) or child assessments.

Examples of Topics include:

- Literacy, Maths or Executive Function difficulties
- Anxiety or school related issues
- Play, social skills or friendship needs
- Transitions and/or difficulties with change/loss
- Preparing for Adulthood



Our Connected Conversation Appointments for the 2026-27 academic year can be found below:

Autumn Term:

- Online Session - Tuesday 15th September
- Macclesfield Family Centre - Tuesday 13th October 2026
- Crewe Lifestyle Centre Family Hub - Tuesday 1st December 2026

Spring Term:

- Oakenclough Family Hub, Wilmslow - Tuesday 2nd February 2027
- Crewe Lifestyle Centre Family Hub - Tuesday 23rd February 2027
- Macclesfield Family Centre - Tuesday 9th March 2027
- Manks Coppenhall Family Hub, Crewe - Tuesday 23rd March 2027

Summer Term:

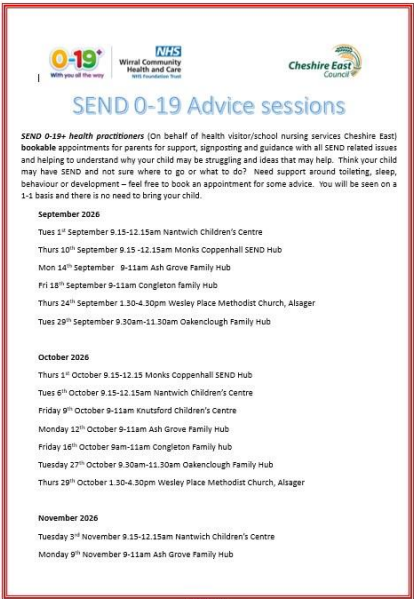
- Congleton Family Hub - Tuesday 27th April 2027
- Crewe Lifestyle Centre Family Hub - Tuesday 25th May 2027
- Ash Grove Family Hub, Macclesfield - Tuesday 15th June 2027
- Nantwich Family Hub Network Site - Tuesday 13th July 2027
- Online Session - Tuesday 10th August 2027

To enquire about booking a Connected Conversation Appointment, please contact your local Family Hub or Family Centre. Find out more about Family Hubs by scanning the QR code



SEND Advice Sessions

Please see below for details of upcoming SEND advice sessions:



SEND 0-19 Advice sessions

SEND 0-19+ health practitioners (On behalf of health visitor/school nursing services Cheshire East) bookable appointments for parents for support, signposting and guidance with all SEND related issues and helping to understand why your child may be struggling and ideas that may help. Think your child may have SEND and not sure where to go or what to do? Need support around toileting, sleep, behaviour or development – feel free to book an appointment for some advice. You will be seen on a 1:1 basis and there is no need to bring your child.

September 2026

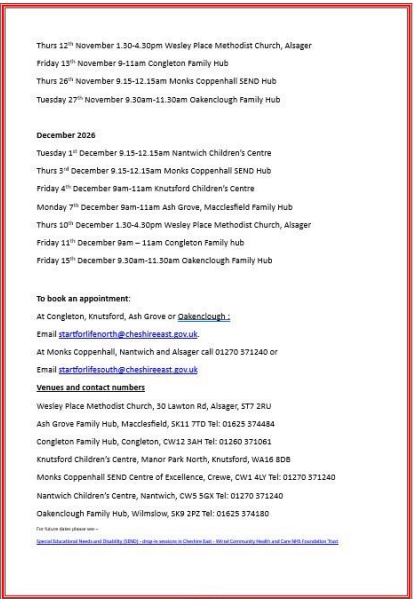
Tues 1st September 9.15-12.15am Nantwich Children's Centre
Thurs 10th September 9.15 -12.15am Monks Coppenhall SEND Hub
Mon 14th September 9-11am Ash Grove Family Hub
Fri 18th September 9-11am Congleton Family Hub
Thurs 24th September 1.30-4.30pm Wesley Place Methodist Church, Alsager
Tues 29th September 9.30am-11.30am OakencloUGH Family Hub

October 2026

Thurs 1st October 9.15-12.15 Monks Coppenhall SEND Hub
Tues 6th October 9.15-12.15am Nantwich Children's Centre
Friday 9th October 9-11am Knutsford Children's Centre
Monday 12th October 9-11am Ash Grove Family Hub
Friday 16th October 9am-11am Congleton Family Hub
Tuesday 27th October 9.30am-11.30am OakencloUGH Family Hub
Thurs 29th October 1.30-4.30pm Wesley Place Methodist Church, Alsager

November 2026

Tuesday 3rd November 9.15-12.15am Nantwich Children's Centre
Monday 9th November 9-11am Ash Grove Family Hub



Thurs 12th November 1.30-4.30pm Wesley Place Methodist Church, Alsager
Friday 13th November 9-11am Congleton Family Hub
Thurs 26th November 9.15-12.15am Monks Coppenhall SEND Hub
Tuesday 27th November 9.30am-11.30am OakencloUGH Family Hub

December 2026

Tuesday 1st December 9.15-12.15am Nantwich Children's Centre
Thurs 3rd December 9.15-12.15am Monks Coppenhall SEND Hub
Friday 4th December 9am-11am Knutsford Children's Centre
Monday 7th December 9am-11am Ash Grove, Macclesfield Family Hub
Thurs 10th December 1.30-4.30pm Wesley Place Methodist Church, Alsager
Friday 11th December 9am – 11am Congleton Family Hub
Friday 19th December 9.30am-11.30am OakencloUGH Family Hub

To book an appointment:

At Congleton, Knutsford, Ash Grove or OakencloUGH:
Email stanford@cheshireeast.gov.uk
At Monks Coppenhall, Nantwich and Alsager call 01270 371240 or
Email stanford@south@cheshireeast.gov.uk

Venues and contact numbers

Wesley Place Methodist Church, 30 Lawton Rd, Alsager, ST7 2RU
Ash Grove Family Hub, Macclesfield, SK11 7TD Tel: 01625 374484
Congleton Family Hub, Congleton, CW12 3AH Tel: 01260 371061
Knutsford Children's Centre, Manor Park North, Knutsford, WA16 8DB
Monks Coppenhall SEND Centre of Excellence, Crewe, CW1 4UJ Tel: 01270 371240
Nantwich Children's Centre, Nantwich, CW5 5GX Tel: 01270 371240
OakencloUGH Family Hub, Willmow, SK9 2PZ Tel: 01625 374180

For more details please visit: <https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/SEND> or a member's Cheshire East: stanford@cheshireeast.gov.uk or stanford@south@cheshireeast.gov.uk

Visyon and Epic LAN Rocket League Gaming Day Event

A Rocket League gaming day is being held at Visyon in Congleton. This is a free event for families to attend and enjoy with wellbeing advice and online safety support for families available. Please see the link below for more details:

<https://www.visyon.org.uk/events/gamingday>

Visyon Parent/Carer Webinars & Peer Support Group

Visyon now offer free online parent / carer webinars covering a range of topics. Please see the website for further information and to book.

[Parent webinars | visyon](#)

Please see upcoming workshops for parent and carers below:

- Parent/carers drop-in session : Wednesday 23 September 2026
- Emotionally Based School Non-Attendance : Wednesday 23 September 2026
- Sleep workshop : Wednesday 2 December 2026

Easyfundraising

A huge thank you to everyone who is supporting us for free on #easyfundraising.

If you've not signed up yet, please sign up to easyfundraising and when you shop online with your favourite retailers, they'll donate to us.

It's free and your shopping won't cost you any extra - the retailers you shop with will donate, not you!

<https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/wistastonchurchlaneacademy/c9kbjl/c2s/AEWwwwVJ/CE076/facebook/>

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- 2 Raise a donation**
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- 3 Use your gift card**
Spend it online or in-store like any other gift card, or give it to someone else as a gift.

School Lottery

If you're not yet involved in our school lottery, and want the chance to win £25k every week, why not join today?

Head over to www.yourschoollottery.co.uk and search for Wistaston Church Lane Academy. Please find further details below:

SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY TODAY

- £1 per week
- Weekly cash prizes
- £25,000 jackpot

YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

Splitting the £1.00

How it works...

It's simple – just 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 to our school
- 25p guaranteed prize
- 35p other prizes & running costs

The maths...

100 weekly tickets means:
A £25 guaranteed weekly prize
£2,080 a year for your school

To start supporting, visit:
yourschoollottery.co.uk
and search for: Wistaston

GambleAware 18+

Crewe Lyceum Production of Nativity

We are pleased to announce that a number of WCLA pupils will be taking part in this year's Crewe Lyceum's production of Nativity. Please see below for more details:



Payment Due Dates

KS2 Snack – Autumn 1 – Payment OVERDUE

Year 4 Whitemoor Lakes – Final Balance due by 16/10/26 (Deposit already paid has been deducted from the balance to pay; Consent has to be reconfirmed as this is a new academic year but place is reserved)

Year 5 Tatton Park – Payment due by 13/11/26

Year 3 Sea Life Manchester – Payment due by 17/11/26