

Weekly Bulletin no.117

Friday 21st November 2025



We have had a wonderful week at **Darnhall**. Thank you to all the parents that attended the **Phonic Shows** this week, it was lovely to see you all. We have lots of exciting events coming up. Next week we have a FREE breakfast for parents who would like to attend our **E-Safety Workshop** on Tuesday morning at 8.45am. We also have **Non Uniform Day on Friday** and all donations will go to the Christmas Bingo. Next week our **snack system** is changing. You will be given 3 options of which **must** be booked via ParentPay before Sunday 8pm every week. There will be no exceptions. If nothing is booked then there will be no snacks for that week. Any money that is outstanding in Snack Top Up now, it will be either refunded or transferred. Years 3—6, if you haven't already could you please go onto ParentPay to give consent for you child to attend **Winsford Academy for the Elf Christmas Play**.

REMINDER: If you have moved house, changed email address or phone numbers, PLEASE let us know asap, otherwise you will miss out on important correspondence from school. Thank you

Festive Fun Friday!

Friday 12th December 2025

Lots of brilliant surprises and festive fun to be had by all!

Wear your Christmas jumper or dress as festive as you like!

The St Luke's Hospice Sponsored Elf Run is that day and we ask for all sponsorship money to be returned to school on **Monday 15th December** at the latest.

Tuesday 25th November

FREE E-SAFETY BREAKFAST

KS2 Hall at 8.45am

Friday 28th November

NON UNIFORM DAY

All children– Donations for the Christmas Bingo

Wednesday 3rd December

FESTIVE MOVIE NIGHT

Pay on ParentPay

Monday 8th December

CHRISTMAS BINGO

Booked through Eventbrite

Friday 12th December

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY
& ELF RUN

Christmas Bingo for Darnhall Families



Monday 8th December 2025

Main Hall on Sandyhill Road

Doors open at **4:45pm**

Eyes down at **5:30pm**

Raffle, Tombola and Tuck Shop

THERE WILL BE AN ADULT ONLY CASH FLYER!

Suitable for Year 1- 6 children and their families.
Children must be accompanied by a paying adult.

NO BABIES OR TODDLERS

**You must pre-book
your places via
EventBrite – the
link will be text
out.**

Hot Food
available
from **4:45pm-
5:15pm.**



Free Yummy Christmas Lunch

Thursday 18th December 2025

For all children Reception
to Year 6

**AVAILABLE TO
BOOK SOON**

Dress in your sparkly
clothes or festive jumpers!
You must order via ParentPay please.



LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE WINNERS BUTTERFLY CLASS



A big well done to this week's
attendance winners

Beaver & Hedgehog Class

Beaver & Hedgehog Class had a
fantastic attendance
this week of **97.5%.**



They have been rewarded
with 15 minutes of extra out-
door play.

Here is the link to our
**Wrap-around Care
booking system**

[https://darnhall.childcare-online-
booking.co.uk/](https://darnhall.childcare-online-booking.co.uk/)

We offer Breakfast Club on both
sites starting at 8am.

Home Hub After School Club takes
place in the KS2 building and starts
at 3:15pm until 6pm.



Festive Movie Night

for Reception - Year 6

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Wednesday 3rd December 2025	Straight after school until 5pm	Year Group Classrooms

£3.50 per child payable on Parent Pay.
Price includes drink and a snack.

Our Pupil Leaders are organising a Christmas Shoe Box Appeal

We are asking our friends and families to fill a shoe box with:

- a box for a homeless person
- a box for the cat shelter
- a box for the dogs' home

We are supporting the following charities:

Manchester and Cheshire Dogs' Home

Mad Dogs' Homeless Project - Manchester
Winsford Paws

Ideas: gloves, hat, chocolate bars, water bottle,
blankets, socks, toothpaste, hand gel, toothbrush etc.
Dog/cat toys, dog/cat food, blanket, treats etc.

Please hand in by Friday 5th December 2025



COMING TO A SCHOOL NEAR YOU!

Team D
star in this year's Pantomime

Cinderella

**Wednesday 10th December
at 9:30am**

For all the children at Darnhall Primary
School to enjoy!

Some of the cast include:

Mrs Kitson as The Fairy Godmother
Mr Davies as Prince Charming
Mr Edwards as Buttons
Mrs Kelsall as the Wicked Stepmother
Mr Ward as The Pumpkin
Mr Baxendale and Mr Dunning as
The Two Ugly Sisters

We will leave the rest as a surprise!



Christmas Pottery Painting

in conjunction with Cheshire Craft Centre.

Saturday 29th November 2025, 9:30am - 12:30pm

KS2 Hall at Darnhall Primary School
(Sandyhill Road)

70 places available.

This event is for families, therefore, all
children must be accompanied by an adult.



Bookings will be via EventBrite and a link will be sent out. Children and
adults all need to pay for their places. We won't have space for spectators.

Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Nativity

'A Happy-Clappy' Nativity



Performance
Times:
9:00am
10:30am
1:30pm

In the Hall on the Sandyhill Road Site

Monday 15th December 2025

Dragonfly, Centipede and
Bumblebee Classes

Tuesday 16th December 2025

Butterfly, Grasshopper and
Spider Classes

**One ticket per child,
per performance**



No Babies or Toddlers please

Years 3-6 present

Elf

the Musical



**Wednesday 17th
December 2025
At The Winsford
Academy
2:30pm &
5:30pm**

Two tickets per child per performance. No babies or toddlers please.

ATTENDANCE WINNERS SO FAR...

W/C 08/09/2025	Owl Class 98.6%
W/C 15/09/2025	Hedgehog Class 100%
W/C 22/09/2025	Hedgehog Class 100%
W/C 29/09/2025	Butterfly Class 98.1%
W/C 06/10/2025	Hedgehog Class 98.8%
W/C 13/10/2025	Grasshopper Class 98.4%
W/C 24/10/2025	Bear Class 97.4%
W/C 03/11/2025	Dragonfly Class 98.2%
W/C 10/11/2025	Butterfly Class 99.5%



Drop-in session with School Nurse - Nicola Bradshaw



Parents and carers can drop in for advice on continence, fussy eaters, sleep, dental hygiene and headlice.

If you can not make any of the drop in sessions, please contact the family support team via contact@darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk and we can make a referral to the school nurse.

Tuesday 16th September 2025 Tuesday 31st March 2026
Tuesday 25th November 2025 Tuesday 19th May 2026
Tuesday 27th January 2026 Tuesday 14th July 2026
KS2 Building at 8:30am



**PopCat's
Music Time**

FREE Social interaction
for parents and their little ones.
MUSIC & MOVEMENT FOR 0 to 5 YEARS

Dates:

Thursday 13th November 2025
Thursday 20th November 2025
Thursday 27th November 2025
Thursday 4th December 2025

9:00am in the KS2 Hall

12 places available.

**To book your
place please
email:**

contact@darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk

Please note, in the rare event that a class is cancelled, you will be notified via the Darnhall Nursery and Primary School Facebook page.



Support our School!

It's as easy as...



- ① **Join our lottery**
- ② **Boost school funds**
- ③ **Win cash prizes**

Tickets cost just £1 a week and are an easy way to help us raise funds for school. There are local cash prizes every week and there's even a chance to win the £25k Jackpot.

To start supporting, visit:

www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play

and search for: **Darnhall Primary**

Supporters must be 16 years or older



Our School Day



Nursery

(Ladybirds and Caterpillars)

Session 1: **8:30am – 11:30am**

Session 2: **12:15pm – 3:15pm**

Reception, Year 1 & 2

School Day Begins: **8:30am**

Morning Break: **10:30am – 10:45am**

Lunchtime: **12:15pm – 1:00pm**

School Day Ends: **3:10pm**



Year 3, 4, 5 & 6

School Day Begins: **8:30am**

Morning Break: **10:30am – 10:45am**

Lunchtime: **12:15pm – 1:00pm**

School Day Ends: **3:15pm**



Owl Class

(Resource Provision)

School Day Begins: **8:30am**

Morning Break: **10:30am – 10:45am**

Lunchtime: **12:15pm – 1:00pm**

School Day Ends: **3:00pm**



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Darnhall Breakfast Club



Breakfast Club is offered on two sites 8:00am - 8:30am

For block bookings this is equivalent to £1 a day.

For occasional bookings it will be £1.50 a day.

Bookings are essential and can be made until 7pm the night before – they cannot be made the same day.

(We accept the Government Tax-free Childcare Payments)

- For children **aged 3 to year 2** breakfast club is in the **Early Years building** on Darnhall School Lane.
- For children in **years 3-6** Breakfast Club is in the **Key Stage 2 building** on Sandyhill Road.

Please note, this is only available for children aged 3 or above who are toilet trained. If your child has additional SEN needs, please discuss with our SENDCO before booking.

Booking for our Breakfast Club will need to be made via the link on our website:

www.darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk



Home Hub

Fun and Affordable After School Childcare Club



End of school day until 4:30pm	£7.75
End of school day until 5:00pm	£10.45
End of school day until 5:30pm	£13.15
End of school day until 6:00pm	£15.85

A 20% sibling discount will be offered to families with more than one child.

Open to children aged 3 or above who are toilet trained. If your child has additional SEN needs, please discuss with our SENDCO before booking.

You will have to book and pay in advance on an online booking service – details are on our website.

Bookings can be made until 7pm the night before – they can not be made the same day.

Limited places so book in advance to avoid disappointment!

This childcare provision is run by school staff on the Key Stage 2 Sandyhill Road site.

(We accept the Government Tax-free Childcare Payments)



WEEKS 01/09/2025, 22/09/2025, 13/10/2025

WHAT'S ON THE MENU TODAY?

WEEK 1

AVAILABLE DAILY

VEGETARIAN
OPTION OF
CHOICE 1



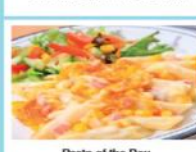
JACKET POTATO
WITH A SELECTION
OF FILLINGS SERVED
WITH A SIDE SALAD

FRESHLY MADE
SALAD
FRESH BREAD
FRUIT YOGHURT
FRESH FRUIT
CHILLED WATER

Edsential CATERING

CORNHALL PRIMARY

CHOICE 1



For allergen information, please ask one of our catering team • All the above dishes are subject to availability

WEEKS 08/09/2025, 29/09/2025, 20/10/2025

WHAT'S ON THE MENU TODAY?

WEEK 2

AVAILABLE DAILY

VEGETARIAN
OPTION OF
CHOICE 1



JACKET POTATO
WITH A SELECTION
OF FILLINGS SERVED
WITH A SIDE SALAD

FRESHLY MADE
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Edsential CATERING

CHOICE 1



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WEEKS 15/09/2025, 06/10/2025, 03/11/2025

WHAT'S ON THE MENU TODAY?

WEEK 3

AVAILABLE DAILY

VEGETARIAN
OPTION OF
CHOICE 1



JACKET POTATO
WITH A SELECTION
OF FILLINGS SERVED
WITH A SIDE SALAD

FRESHLY MADE
SALAD
FRESH BREAD
FRUIT YOGHURT
FRESH FRUIT
CHILLED WATER

Edsential CATERING

CHOICE 1



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Autumn Term 2025 Uniform Time Table



Class	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Ladybird Nursery	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform
Caterpillar Nursery	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Forest School
Butterfly Class	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform
Dragonfly Class	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform
Centipede Class	Uniform	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit
Grasshopper Class	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform
Bumblebee Class	Uniform	PE Kit (until half term) Uniform (after half term)	Forest School (every week after half term)	Uniform	PE Kit
Spider Class	PE Kit	Uniform	Forest School (every week up until half term)	Uniform (until half term) PE Kit (after half term)	Uniform
Beaver Class	Uniform	Uniform	PE Kit	Forest School (every week after half term)	PE Kit (until half term) Uniform (after half term)
Hedgehog Class	PE Kit	Uniform	Uniform (until half term) PE Kit (after half term)	Forest School (every week up until half term)	Uniform
Otter Class	PE Kit	Uniform	Uniform (bring Swimming Kit)	Uniform	Uniform
Rabbit Class	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform (bring Swimming Kit)	PE Kit	Uniform
Squirrel Class	PE Kit	PE Kit	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform
Fox Class	Uniform	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit
Badger Class	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform
Bear Class	Uniform	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit
Owl Class	Outdoor Learning Uniform	Outdoor Learning Uniform	Outdoor Learning Uniform (PE Day)	Outdoor Learning Uniform (PE Day)	Outdoor Learning Uniform

School Uniform



You can purchase our school uniform from our supplier – Julie Clare Logo Wear – which is located on Winsford's Market on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

Cold Weather Uniform

- Ladybird Nursery - **Red Polo Shirts**
- Caterpillar Nursery - **Green Polo Shirts**
- Reception to Year 5 - **Pale Blue** or **Yellow Polo Shirts**
- Year 6 - **Pale Blue Shirt and Tie**
- Grey skirt, shorts or trousers
- Navy Fleece, jumper or cardigan
- Grey socks or Tights
- Black school shoes or plain black trainers



Hot Weather and PE Uniform

- Pale Blue T-shirt
- Navy skort, shorts or jogging pants
- Navy fleece
- Navy socks or white socks
- (Or Blue checked summer dresses for non-PE days)



Owl Class Uniform and Optional Outdoor Learning

- Green T-shirt
- Green Hoodie
- Navy Jogging Pants
- Navy shorts

(Owl class are outside a lot of time so this uniform is the most practical for them and can be worn every day for all lessons).



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Holiday Dates 2025/2026



HOLIDAY PERIOD	DATE OF CLOSING	DATE OF RE-OPENING
Autumn Term		Wednesday 3rd September 2025
Autumn Half Term	Friday 24th October 2025	Tuesday 4th November 2025
Christmas	Thursday 18th December 2025	Monday 5th January 2026
Spring Half Term	Friday 13th February 2026	Monday 23rd February 2026
Spring Break	Wednesday 1st April 2026	Monday 20th April 2026
May Day Weekend	Friday 1st May 2026	Tuesday 5th May 2026
Summer Half Term	Friday 22nd May 2026	Tuesday 2nd June 2026
Summer	Wednesday 22nd July 2026	

Inset Days 2025/2026

Monday 1st September 2025 Friday 19th December 2025
 Tuesday 2nd September 2025 Monday 1st June 2026
 Monday 3rd November 2025

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Holiday Dates 2026/2027



HOLIDAY PERIOD	DATE OF CLOSING	DATE OF RE-OPENING
Autumn Term		Wednesday 2nd September 2026
Autumn Half Term	Friday 23rd October 2026	Tuesday 3rd November 2026
Christmas	Friday 18th December 2026	Tuesday 5th January 2027
Spring Half Term	Friday 12th February 2027	Monday 22nd February 2027
Spring Break	Thursday 25th March 2027	Monday 12th April 2027
May Day Weekend	Closed: Monday 3rd May 2027	
Summer Half Term	Friday 28th May 2027	Monday 7th June 2027
Summer	Friday 16th July 2027	

Inset Days 2026/2027

Tuesday 1st September 2026 Tuesday 20th July 2027
 Monday 2nd November 2026 Wednesday 21st July 2027
 Monday 19th July 2027

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