

Weekly Bulletin no.118

Friday 28th November 2025



We can't believe we are in December next week already and we have so many exciting activities coming up.

Today was **Non-Uniform Day** for Christmas Donations, a huge thank you for all your contributions!

Our new **snack system** is now live on ParentPay. 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. 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.

Wednesday 3rd December

FESTIVE MOVIE NIGHT

Pay on ParentPay—deadline to book Monday 1/12 5pm

Monday 8th December

CHRISTMAS BINGO

Booked through Eventbrite

Friday 12th December

Festive Fun Day, Christmas Jumper Day & Elf Run

15th & 16th December

KS1 Christmas Nativities

Tuesday 16th December

Sing along with Buddy the Elf

KS2 Yard at 3.30pm

Wednesday 17th December

ELF THE MUSICAL

Years 3-6 Winsford Academy

100%

COUNTDOWN TO CHRISTMAS ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

Be in school and be on time for every school day in
December to be in with a chance to win a prize!

One of 3 TOP Prize Vouchers of £50

One of 5 SECOND Prize £25 Vouchers

One of 10 RUNNER UP £10 Vouchers

There are prizes for most improved attendance and
punctuality too!

Please Note: Children will choose which shop they want their voucher for



Sponsored

Elf Run!

in support of
St Luke's Hospice



Friday 12th December 2025

Every child will be given an elf hat and the
eldest or only child will bring home a
family sponsorship envelope.

We ask for donations to be handed to
class teachers by Monday 15th December.

Thank you for supporting this
good cause!



St Luke's
CHESHIRE HOSPICE



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

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



LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE WINNERS BEAVER CLASS



A big well done to this week's
attendance winners

Hedgehog Class

Beaver & Hedgehog Class had a
fantastic attendance
this week of **96.5%.**



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



Reach out for mental health support this winter



Mind

Call 0300 102 1234 or visit www.mind.org



Samaritans

Call 116 123 or visit www.samaritans.org



Shout

Text Shout to 85258 or visit www.giveusashout.org



Switchboard (LGBTQ+)

Text Shout to 85258 or visit www.giveusashout.org



PAPYRUS

Call 0800 068 4141 or visit www.papyrus-uk.org



NHS 111 - urgent mental health helpline

To get urgent mental health support, call 111 and select option 2.

Community Carol Singing

Festive sing-along with Buddy the Elf on the playground!

Families are invited to join staff on the KS2 playground at 3:15pm onwards on **Tuesday 16th December 2025** for a good old sing!

All children, parents and carers welcome to join in the fun!

"The best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear." – Buddy the Elf

(Carol sheets will be handed out)



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!



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%
W/C 10/11/2025	Beaver & Hedgehog Class 97.5%



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



Drop in session with the Early Help Navigators

Tuesday 2nd December 2025
8:30am-10:00am in the KS2 Building

The Early Help Navigators can support with:

- DLA Forms
- Benefits checkers
- Toilet training
- Pre-school speech and language
- Baby development
- Healthy meals
- Debt support
- Housing
- Parental mental health
- Food bank and baby bank referrals

If you cannot make the session and would like to contact the Early Help Navigators for support, please contact our Family Support Team via familysupport@darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk who will provide you with the direct booking details.

Treats and coffee available.



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)

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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



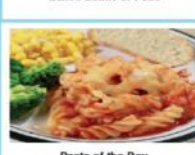
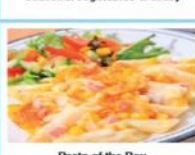
JACKET POTATO
WITH A SELECTION
OF FILLINGS SERVED
WITH A SIDE SALAD

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



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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



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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

Holiday Dates 2025/2026



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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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Summer Half Term	Friday 28th May 2027	Monday 7th June 2027
Summer	Friday 16th July 2027	

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