

Darnhall Nursery & Primary School

SNACKS—From September we are no longer able to sell apple juice or milk shake for snacks, only toast will be available to book on ParentPay. This is following Dental Health advice.

Darnhall Show

Court House Farm, Swanlow Lane, Darnhall,
Winsford, Cheshire CW7 4BS

Sunday 5th July 11.00am 5.00pm





For more information please contact Sue Langley
darnhallshow@gmail.com 07837177045

Admission Adults £5.00 Children under 16 free

School Closes at 1.30pm

MONEY FOR MARTY!

HELP US RAISE MONEY TO BUY A SET OF 5 MARTY ROBOTS!

WHY DO WE WANT MARTY?

Marty is a fun, friendly robot that helps children learn through play!

- ✓ Coding and programming
- ✓ Problem-solving skills
- ✓ STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths)
- ✓ Creativity and teamwork

Marty can walk, dance, speak, kick a ball and more - making learning exciting and hands-on!

We want to raise enough money to buy a set of 5 Martys so more children can learn, explore and enjoy robotics together!

WHAT IS BAG2SCHOOL?

Bag2School is a simple and eco-friendly way to raise money for our school.

It helps schools earn money by collecting unwanted clothes and textiles.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

1. Have a clear out at home - find unwanted clothes, shoes and accessories.
2. Bring them into school in bags.
3. Bag2School collects and weighs the bags.
4. The school gets paid based on the weight collected!

The clothes are reused or recycled, helping the environment and creating jobs worldwide.

WHY TAKE PART?

- Help us buy 5 Marty robots
- Support children's learning in coding & STEM
- Be eco-friendly by recycling clothes
- Raise money for our school

GET INVOLVED!

START COLLECTING your unwanted clothes today!

BRING YOUR BAGS INTO SCHOOL on collection day!

TOGETHER, WE CAN BRING MARTY BACK TO OUR CLASSROOMS!



Parents and carers are invited to attend

Nursery Leavers' Beach Party

Monday 13th July 2026
 10:15am-11:00am for morning children
 2:00pm-2:45pm for afternoon children

This is only for parents/carers of children leaving **Caterpillar Nursery** and starting in Reception. Children can wear summer party clothes. We hope to have water play so a change of clothes would be ideal.

Two adults per child. This event is weather permitting.

Nursery Stay & Play Sports Activities

Monday 6th July 2026

Morning nursery: 10:30am-11:15am
 Afternoon nursery: 2:15pm-3:00pm
 on the KS2 field.

One adult per child is welcome to come along and join in Nursery's very own Sports Day celebration! If your child attends all day, please choose one session to attend.

Please note: no photographs can be taken during the session.




Drop in session with the Early Help Navigators

Tuesday 5th May
Tuesday 7th July

8:30 - 10:00am in the KS2 Building

The **Early Help Navigators**
can support with:

- DLA forms
- Benefit 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@damhall.cheshire.sch.uk
who will provide you with the
direct booking details.

Treats and coffee available.



FREE

5 day Crash Course Swimming Lessons



**Monday 10th August to
Friday 14th August 2026**

For children entitled to Pupil Premium Stages 1-4
funded by school and bookable on ParentPay
(Non-attendance on booked places will be charged)



Our School Day



Nursery (Ladybirds and Caterpillars)

Morning Session: 8:30am - 11:30am

Afternoon Session: 11:30am - 3:15pm

Funded Day: 9:00am - 3:00pm

Extended Day: 8:30am - 3:15pm* (additional charge)

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: 3:10pm

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**YOU'RE
INVITED!**



**FREE
for ALL
RECEPTION
SCHOOL STARTERS
2026**

NEW RECEPTION SCHOOL STARTER EVENT!

at **POLAR PALACE WINSFORD**



**THURSDAY
9TH JULY**



**10AM
TO 12PM**



A great opportunity for children and
their parents/carers to meet, have fun
and make new friends before starting school!

★ RECEPTION CLASS STAFF WILL BE ATTENDING! ★

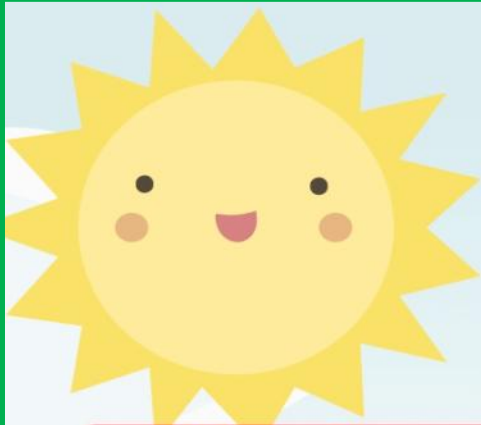
MEET
NEW
FRIENDS

FUN
ACTIVITIES

EXPLORE
AND
PLAY

GET READY
FOR
SCHOOL!

WE CAN'T WAIT TO MEET YOU! ♥



Darnhall **FREE** Summer Activities



Monday 17th August 2026

Forest School - 9:00am-1:00pm



Thursday 20th August 2026

Art, craft, board games
and Lego - 9:00am-1:00pm



Tuesday 18th August 2026

Gaming - 9:00am-1:00pm



Friday 21st August

Knowsley Safari Park
9:00am-5:00pm



Wednesday 19th August 2026

Sports Coaching - 9:00am-1:00pm



- To be eligible for a place on the Knowsley Trip children must attend the other 4 activities that week.
- You need to book a complete week of activities via Eequ link when sent out.
- These are FREE to children who are

entitled to Pupil Premium – places will be limited!

- The Safari Park trip is for the children only. Children with SEND are eligible to bring one FREE carer with proof of DLA funding.
- There will be some places at £15 a session for children not entitled to Pupil Premium



**HAF
FUNDED**

Mr Lambert has guitar / ukulele lessons at school

1:30pm - 2pm and 2pm - 2:30pm. You can contact Mr Lambert directly at alambertguitar@gmail.com if interested in arranging lessons

£13 for half an hour



Uniform Timetable

Monday 1st June 2026 -

Wednesday 22nd July 2026



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	Forest School	Uniform	Uniform
Dragonfly Class	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Forest School	Uniform
Centipede Class	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	Uniform	PE Kit
Grasshopper Class	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform
Bumblebee Class	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	Uniform	PE Kit
Spider Class	PE Kit	Uniform	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform
Beaver Class	Uniform	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit
Hedgehog Class	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	Uniform
Otter Class	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	Uniform
Rabbit Class	Uniform	Uniform	PE 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	Forest School	Swimming	Uniform	PE Kit
Owl Class	Forest School	Outdoor Learning Uniform	Outdoor Learning Uniform (PE Day)	Outdoor Learning Uniform (PE Day)	Outdoor Learning Uniform
Bear Class	Uniform	Uniform	Swimming	PE Kit	Forest School

Unfortunately from the beginning of Summer Term 2026 , there will be a School Lunch price increase, the cost of a lunch will be £3.25. If you believe you may be entitled to Free School Meals, we would encourage you to apply via Cheshire West and Chester council. If you need help in doing so please contact the office.

School Lunches

All children, from Reception to Year 2, are entitled to a free school meal each day under the Universal Free School Meal scheme.

The cost of a school meal for children in Key Stage 2 is **£3.25 a day** or **£16.25 a week**. All dinner money is paid via our ParentPay system.

Free School Meals

If your child is in any year group and you think that they are entitled to benefit related free school meals, you will need to apply via the Cheshire West website:

www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/education-and-learning/school-meals.aspx

If you have difficulties claiming online, please email: benefits@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk or call: 0300 123 7021 to discuss making a telephone or paper application.

If you think that your child qualifies for free school meals, please apply for this - even if your child is in Reception or Key Stage 1.

By claiming this benefit, the school will then receive additional funding called Pupil Premium which as a school we will use to help support your child to achieve their full potential.



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A big well done to this week's
attendance winners

Grasshopper Class



who had a fantastic attendance
this week of **99.2%**



They have been rewarded with
15 minutes of extra outdoor play.



Important Information Regarding Holidays

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Government discourages the taking of holidays in term time. Evidence shows that children who miss school do not achieve as well as those who attend regularly.



As of September 2013, the law restricted a Headteacher's ability to authorise holidays during term time. Headteachers are now only empowered to approve a leave of absence when it is requested in advance by the parent or carer with whom the child resides, and when circumstances of the requested leave are 'exceptional'.

A new National Framework for Penalty Notices for School Absence will come into effect from the 19th August 2024. Should you choose to take a holiday for 5 consecutive school days or more during term time the Local Authority will be informed as this will constitute an unauthorised absence. A Fixed Penalty Notice will then be issued in accordance with Section 444 of the Education Act 1996.

The law stipulates that the current penalties payable by parents/carers are £80 when the penalty is paid within 21 days, and £160 when the penalty is paid within 28 days. This penalty is per parent/carer, per child. If the fixed penalty is not paid this could lead to you being prosecuted in the Magistrates' Court.

Where it is deemed appropriate to issue a second **penalty notice** to the same parent for the same pupil within 3 years of the first notice, the second notice is charged at a flat rate of £160 if paid within 28 days.

In cases where there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence within a 3 year period of the date of the first absence and if there is a 3rd occasion of unauthorised absence (10 sessions), alternative action will be taken instead. This will often include considering prosecution, but may include other tools such as one of the other attendance legal interventions.

If you require any further information regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact school and speak to **Katie Harrop** or email: contact@darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk

Kind regards,

Mrs Sarah Tomlinson
Headteacher

Darnhall Primary School, Sandyhill Road, Winsford, Cheshire CW7 1JL

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Website: www.darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk | Facebook: www.facebook.com/DarnhallPrimarySchool

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.

Need help with school uniform?

We're here for you.

Paying for school uniform can be difficult. You're not alone – support is available to help your child feel ready for school.



School Uniform Support

We provide free school uniform items to families who need extra support.

We can help your child go to school with what they need – without added financial stress.

→ Apply now

Apply before 31 July 2026

- ✓ Quick and simple application
- ✓ Takes just a few minutes

Scan the QR code
to apply

What we provide



New and pre-loved
school uniform



Support for
primary and
secondary school
children



Some secondary
school logo
uniform



Items provided using
donations first, then
purchased if needed



Who can apply

You can apply if:

- You live in Cheshire West and Chester
- Your child attends school in the area
- You do not need to be on benefits



How it works

- 1 Apply online
- 2 We review your application
- 3 We confirm what we can provide
- 4 You receive a collection code by text



Collecting your uniform

- Collection from Wyvern House, Winsford
- We will contact you when your items are ready

Need help?

- ☎ 07835 851908
- ✉ info@gubco.org



Important to know

- Most items are included (not bags or coats)
- Primary school logo items are not included as standard (may be considered if required by the school)
- Up to 4 logo items for secondary school children
- We use donated items first
- Please check sizes carefully before ordering



Need extra help?

There is more support available for you and your family, including:

- Benefits and cost of living support
- Emergency help and grants
- Free school meals and food support
- Holiday activities for children

Scan the QR code for links to all support services.



Green Uniform and Baby Co.

Winsford Cross Shopping Centre
Unit 28, Dingle Lane
Winsford, CW7 1BA





PARTY IN THE PARK

**SATURDAY
25TH JULY 2026**

**11AM – 4PM
TOWN PARK**

LIVE MUSIC • STALLS • BARS • FAIRGROUND RIDES

SPONSORED BY



Friends of
Winsford
Town Park

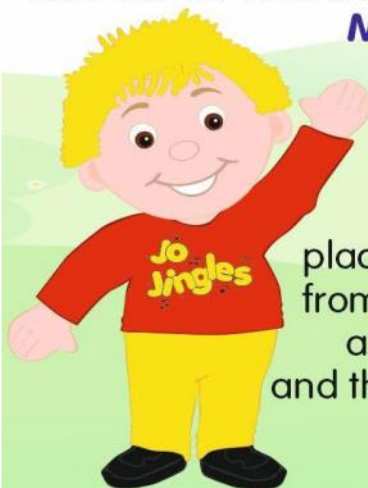


➤ FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY! ➤



sessions for parents
and carers with babies and toddlers!

Mondays in the **Key**
Stage 2 Hall from
8:45am - 9:30am



Sessions will take
place every week, apart
from the first week back
after a school holiday
and the last week of each
half term.

Sessions are FREE. No need to book

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

Toddler Groups At Darnhall Primary

Darnhall Doodlebugs

Every Friday at 2:15pm-3:00pm

KS1 Hall

Sing, Play, Imagine & Create –
Big Adventures for Little Doodlebugs!



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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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
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