

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Date: 13th February 2026



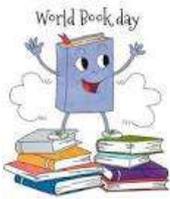
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Dear Parents/Carer

STAY AND PLAY AT PRESCHOOL

Are you looking for the perfect preschool environment for your little one? We are delighted to invite you to our **Free Stay and Play** session at our preschool!

This is a wonderful opportunity for children to explore our setting, meet our friendly team, and have some weekend fun. It's also a great chance for parents to see first-hand the vibrant learning environment we offer. **Help us spread the word!** Do you have friends, family, or neighbours with a child approaching their **3rd birthday**? We would love to meet them! Please pass this invitation on to anyone who might be looking for a preschool place soon.



WORLD BOOK DAY

World Book Day 2026 (which will take place on Thursday 5th March) will focus on reading for pleasure. We will spend time in school encouraging choice, time, and space for children to enjoy the books they love and tying it in with the UK's National Year of Reading 2026 campaign. Activities on the day will centre on making reading fun, supporting wellbeing, and promoting reading habits that will last a lifetime.

To support this, we would like the children to come into school in their pyjamas for a day filled with 'cosy reads' as reading is something that we do when we are relaxed and comfortable. We will be bringing 'bedtime stories' and adventures to our day with lots of DEAR time(drop everything and read), Reading Picnics and buddy reads.

We also want to bring extreme reading back to Rossmore. During half term, please take pictures of your child reading in the most random and funny places and send them to your child's class teacher via ClassDojo.

Finally, every child will bring home a strip of paper so that they can make a Book-in-a-Hat about their favourite story. Please can these be brought back in on the 5th March to wear in our World Book Day assembly.

Thank you for your continued support

MESSAGE FROM THE WHITBY HIGH SCHOOL

We are delighted to invite your child to take part in **Junior High at The Whitby High School**.

Junior High is an exciting opportunity for students to experience a taste of life at The Whitby High through a range of fun and engaging courses. Sessions will run on the following dates:

Wednesday 25th February

Wednesday 4th March

Wednesday 11th March

All sessions take place from **4.00pm to 5.30pm**.

Your child will have the chance to take part in courses such as **Performing Arts, Design Technology, Food Technology, Multi Sports, Modern Foreign Languages and ICT Coding**.

We have attached our **Junior High Brochure** which gives full details of what each course offers.

The **closing date for bookings is Friday 20th February**.

Please complete your booking using the following link: [Junior High February 2026 Booking Form – Fill out form](#)

If you have any questions, please contact **Miss D Adams** at: Juniorhigh@whitbyhs.cheshire.sch.uk



DISCO

Our recent school disco was a fantastic evening, and the children had an absolute blast! We would like to say a big thank you to the **staff volunteers** for their support and to our **PTA** for providing such a great tuck shop service. Your hard work created a wonderful experience for all the children! We raised £314.29!!!



INTERNET SAFETY

. **Family Agreement:** Create family rules for screen time, device use, and acceptable online behaviour.

DONATE CLOTHES

It's time for a spring clean! Before you head to the local tip or bin, please consider donating your unwanted clothes to our school collection. It's a fantastic way to declutter while supporting our school community.

Collection Date: Thursday 19th March

How it works: We will be sending **donation bags** home with the children. Simply fill them up and bring them back to school by the morning of the 18th.

Start your sorting now every bag makes a difference!



OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS & BALANCES

With the term coming to a close, we request that parents settle any outstanding balances on **School Grid** and **School Spider** as soon as possible.

It is particularly important that Breakfast and Afterschool Club invoices are paid promptly, as outstanding debts may prevent you from booking future sessions. Furthermore, please be reminded that Late Club bookings must be made one week in advance to ensure we meet legal staffing ratios.

KITCHEN STAFF TRAINING / SCHOOLGRID LUNCH

On Tuesday 10th March, our kitchen team will be away on a training course. Because of this, we will be offering a simplified "wrap menu" for lunch that day.

To help us get ahead with the prep, could you please ensure your child's lunch is ordered via **SchoolGrid** a week in advance? Your cooperation helps us ensure everything runs smoothly while our staff are training!

ATTENDANCE

We have had a slower week for attendance this week. Lots of classes only achieved a percentage of 90 this week. Come on Rossmore, let's make the next half term our best yet and then continue it through to have the best year of attendance we can.

For our weekly race, we do have a winner with an attendance figure of 96%. Well done to Reception - Edwards Elephants!

A huge congratulations to you another 4 points for the leader board. Brilliant teamwork, Reception!

In second place this week is Y6, securing 3 points this week for the leader board, keep it up!

As we approach the halfway point Yr2 are sitting at the top of our overall leader board with Yr4 in second place and Yr1 in third. It is still all to play for!

Keep working hard, Rossmore — remember: **every school day counts!**

Let's keep coming in, ready to learn and ready to shine.



CLUBS

Choir will be taking a half term break after the concert, resuming at the start of the summer term.

Please note that all clubs will continue as normal after the half-term break for those currently enrolled. Although Arbor may show the club as "finished," please disregard this; our teachers will be continuing their sessions as scheduled.

Day	Club	Year Group	Person in Charge	Places available
Monday	Games & Construction	Y2 & Y3	Mrs Farrelly	PLACES AVAILABLE
	Building	Rec & Y1	Mrs Edwards	FULL
Tuesday	Parliament	KS2	Miss Booth	FULL
	Year 6 Boosters	Y6	Mrs Bouckley	FULL
	Year 6 - 8am Breakfast Boosters	Y6	Mrs Whittaker	FULL
Wednesday	Art	KS1	Mrs Sheen	FULL
Thursday	Year 6 Boosters	Y6	Mr Podmore	Invite Only

RESIDENTIAL TRIPS

To help keep everything running smoothly, please do your best to stick to the **payment plan**. If you're having any difficulty at all with payments, please don't hesitate to reach out to the school office at admin2@rossmore.cheshire.sch.uk. We're here to help!

Delamere payments should now be completed.

RESIDENTIALS	CLASS	PRICE	Due
Arete	3	£150.00	£30 Jan £40 Feb

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

We want to ensure that every student has access to all the opportunities our school provides. If you think your child might be eligible for **Free School Meals (FSM)**, we strongly encourage you to apply even if your child prefers to bring a packed lunch.

Why apply?

It isn't just about the food! If your child is registered for FSM, the school receives additional funding to support their education. This often allows us to provide:

Discounted School Trips: Significant support toward the cost of educational visits and residential trips.

How to check eligibility

The process is confidential and straightforward. Most families qualify if they receive certain benefits, such as Universal Credit (within specific income thresholds), Income Support, or Child Tax Credit.

<https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/education-and-learning/free-school-meals>

PARKING

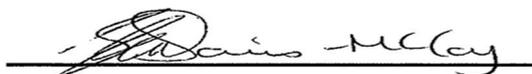
Sadly, we have again had a complaint about parking. Please remember to park and drive safely and **DO NOT BLOCK** driveways. Emergency services need access at all times and our children deserve to be kept safe.



Please find our current list of **Key Dates** for the term below. We recommend making a note of these for your diary to ensure you don't miss any of our upcoming events and celebrations.

***KEY DATES**	
New dates added will be highlighted	
Tue 24 th Feb	Year 1 Library visit after lunch
Wed 25 th Feb	Y2 Delamere Residential
Tue 3 rd Mar	Y4 Library visit after lunch
Thur 5th Mar	World Book Pyjamas day
Tue 10 th Mar	Y5 Library visit after lunch
Thur 19 th Mar	Clothing donation pick up AM
Mon 23 rd Mar	Pools For Schools 23.03.26-02.04.2026
Tue 31 st Mar	Y3 Arete Residential
Mon 23 rd Mar	SENDCO Drop in 1.30pm-3pm
Tue 24 th Mar	Reception parents evening 3.30pm-5pm
Tue 24 th Mar	Year 3 parents evening 3.30pm-7pm
Tue 24 th Mar	Year 4 parents evening 3.30pm-7pm
Tue 24 th Mar	Year 5 parents evening 3.30pm-7pm
Wed 25 th Mar	Reception parents evening 3.30pm-7pm
Wed 25 th Mar	Year 2 parents evening 3.30pm-7pm
Wed 25 th Mar	Year 1 parents evening 3.30pm-7.00pm
Wed 25 th Mar	Year 5 parents evening 3.30pm-5pm
Wed 25 th Mar	Year 6 parents evening 3.30pm – 7pm
Thur 26 th Mar	Year 1 parents evening 3.30pm – 5pm
Thur 26 th Mar	Year 2 parents evening 3.30pm – 5pm
Thur 26 th Mar	Year 3 parents evening 3.30pm – 5pm
Thur 26 th Mar	Year 4 parents evening 3.30pm-5pm
Thur 26 th Mar	Year 6 parents evening 3.30pm-5pm
Wed 13 th Apr	SENDCO Drop in 1.30pm-3pm
Wed 6 th May	Bikability Y5 9am – 3pm
Thur 7 th May	Bikability Y5 9am – 3pm
Fri 8 th May	Bikability Y5 9am – 3pm
Wed 15 th May	SENDCO Drop in 1.30pm-3pm
Thur 21 st May	Hobley music concert 9.30am
Wed 1 st Jul	Amasing concert for choir
Fri 3 rd Jul	Clothing donation collection AM
Wed 15 th Jul	SENDCO Drop in 1.30pm-3pm
<p>Dates subject to change: we endeavour to give as much notice as possible Full term dates for this academic year can be found here on our website: http://www.rossmore.cheshire.sch.uk/page/school-holidays/35818</p>	

Have a wonderful half term!



Mrs S Davis-McCoy
Head Teacher

Mrs Bouckley Acting Head – Monday / Tuesday
Mrs Davis McCoy Head Teacher – Wednesday / Thursday / Friday

ROSSMORE SCHOOL

Holiday Dates

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Autumn Term 2025		<i>INSET DAY: Monday 1st September 2025</i> Tuesday 2 nd September 2025
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Christmas Holidays 2025/2026	Friday 19 th December 2025	Monday 5 th January 2026
Spring Half Term 2026	Friday 13 th February 2026	Monday 23 rd February 2026
Spring Break 2026 Good Friday: 3 rd April 2026 Easter Monday: 6 th April 2026	Thursday 2 nd April 2026	Tuesday 14 th April 2026 <i>INSET DAY: Monday 13th April 2026</i>
May Day Bank Holiday 2026 Monday 4 th May 2026	Friday 1 st May 2026	Tuesday 5 th May 2026
Summer Half Term 2026	Friday 22 nd May 2026	Monday 8 th June 2026
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