

Newsletter

THIS WEEK
3RD NOVEMBER 2025

Welcome back!

We hope you have had a lovely, restful half-term.

School photographs will be taken this Thursday. Should you wish for any siblings to join your child for a photo, please arrive at school at 8.30am.

Class 4 will be visited by Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service on Thursday, who will deliver a talk on fire safety.

WHAT'S COMING UP?

November:

- 6th - Individual pupil and family photographs (siblings welcome at 8.30am)
- 6th - Class 4 fire safety talk (in school)
- 6th - Mad Science after-school club commences
- 13th - Reception & Y6 height and weight assessments
- 13th - Reception class vision and hearing assessments
- 13th - SEND Parents' Evening
- 14th - Wear something "Pudsey" (see NEWS)
- 14th - Gripping Yarns storytelling (in school)
- 14th - PTFA Silent Disco @ 6-7.30pm
- 30th - Children to perform outside Tiger's Head

December:

- 3rd - Year 2 Christmas Journey (TBC)
- 4th - Poetry Buzz Festival @ 6pm (information to follow)
- 5th - Christmas Concert in school @ 10.30am
- 15th & 16th - Christmas Plays @ 2pm & 6pm
- 17th - Whole school visit to the Pantomime
- 18th - Whole school Christmas Lunch
- 19th - Christingle in Church @ 10am

NEWS

Poppy Appeal

This week, we will be selling a range of items for the Poppy Appeal in support of the Royal British Legion. Prices range from 10p to £1. Please send children with a small amount of cash if they would like to make a purchase or donation.

Children in Need

Our School Council has been working on ideas to raise awareness for Children in Need. They have decided that children are invited to wear something "Pudsey" on Friday 14th to show their support.

If children do not have anything Pudsey-themed, they are welcome to bring a plain T-shirt into school next Monday and they will then have the opportunity to design and decorate their t-shirt during that week.

Please note that we will not be accepting donations in school. However, we encourage families to make a donation from home on the evening if they are able to do so.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- Lunches** - New menus are available on our website and will run until the Easter Holidays. Please continue to order meals and snacks via Compass. We are on the Week 1 Menu this week.
- PE Kits** - Please ensure that your child has a PE kit in school at all times. They will be sent home if dirty.
- Footwear** - Please ensure that your children attend school wearing school shoes and not boots or trainers unless agreed otherwise.

LAST WEEK

Homework

We were so proud of the fantastic homework pieces our children created this before half-term! The effort, creativity, and enthusiasm they showed were brilliant to see. The children really enjoyed sharing their work with their peers, celebrating each other's ideas, and learning together. Homework continues to prove to be a valuable opportunity for them to explore their learning in new ways – well done, everyone! This half-term's homework menus are available on the class pages on our website.

Parents' Evening

A big thank you to all our parents and carers who attended Parents' Evening. It was a wonderful opportunity to share the children's progress and celebrate their achievements together. We were delighted that you could take the time to look through your children's books and see the fantastic learning that has taken place.

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PTFA NEWS

Silent Disco Party - Friday 14th November @ 6pm

A quick reminder that our Silent Disco is now less than 2 weeks away!

Please book your tickets as soon as possible so we can confirm headset numbers – tickets won't be available on the night.

Tickets are £6 per child and include a hotdog and a glow stick - [Tickets](#)

We'll need 6 volunteers to help run the event for it to go ahead – if you can lend a hand, please let us know!

We can't wait for a fun evening – it's going to be brilliant!



ATTENDANCE

Attendance w/e 24th October

Whole School: 96.7%

Class 1: 99%

Class 2: 97%

Class 3: 98%

Class 4: 94%

Thank you for supporting your child's education by avoiding unauthorised leave during term time.

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CHRISTIAN DISTINCTIVENESS

Christian Value

The Christian Value we are working on this half-term is Wisdom.

"If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you." – James 1:5



Prayers

Thank you, God, for the rest and fun we enjoyed over half-term.
As we return to school, help us to be ready to learn, kind to one another, and thankful for every new day.
Bless our teachers, friends, and families, and guide us in all we do this term.



Norley CE Primary School are in the customer vote for a Tesco Stronger Starts. It's a scheme which gives community projects like us grants of up to £1,500. Tesco customers can now vote in Weaverham Tesco Express and Northwich Tesco Superstore! You can also vote at Warmingham, Northwich Regency, Holmes Chapel, Middlewich, Northwich Chester Road and Winsford Chester Road Express stores.

Voting will run until mid-January 2026 so please support us next time you shop at Tesco! Thank you 💙

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Norley CE Primary Admin

Subject: FW: Vyrnwy Aqueduct Modernisation Programme (VAMP) - Tarporley to Norton Update
Attachments: You Said, We Listened, We Acted - Oct 25.pdf

Good morning,

I wanted to share an update about the planned road closure at Hatchmere Crossroads, as we know this work is important to many local businesses and residents.

These works were originally scheduled to take place between 22 September 2025 and 2 December 2025, but following feedback from local businesses and the community, we postponed them to avoid disruption at a busy time of year. I'm pleased to confirm that the permit for the revised dates has now been granted.

Key details:

- **Location:** Crossroads at Blakemere Lane, Delamere Road, Ashton Road and School Lane
- **Dates:** 30 March – 9 June 2026

This work has been planned to follow on from the temporary road closure on Norley Road (12 December 2025 – 27 March 2026). The Hatchmere works can only begin once Norley Road has been completed.

We completely understand that road closures can be disruptive, and we really appreciate your patience and cooperation while we carry out these essential improvements.

The closure is needed so we can move key underground valves and pipeline connections currently situated beneath the crossroads into adjacent land. This is quite a complex piece of work, but once it's complete, future maintenance can take place without needing to close the crossroads again – meaning far less disruption in the future.

Access information:

- There will be no vehicle access through the crossroads during this period.
- Pedestrian access will remain open wherever possible, with clear signage in place.

We'll be working closely with local businesses to help keep customers informed and minimise any impact. Regular updates will also be available on our website unitedutilities.com/vamp-live-updates

A summary of queries received during recent community engagement is enclosed and will continue to be updated as the project progresses.

If you have any questions or suggestions about how we can support your business during this time, please don't hesitate to get in touch – we're here to help.

Kind regards,

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Can temporary bus stops be added to the No. 48 route at The Carriers Inn and School Lane?

Temporary bus stops cannot be added to the No. 48 route at The Carriers Inn or School Lane. We have been working closely with the Cheshire West and Chester Transport Planning Team to explore options, but the proposal is not feasible. The main challenges are the limited size of the turning area at these locations, the large size of the buses required to operate the No. 48 service, and the reliance on private land to complete a turning maneuver safely. These constraints mean that any attempt to add temporary stops could pose safety risks and operational difficulties.

When the No. 48 service is unable to access Hatchmere Crossroads due to the planned closure, buses will need to operate along Norley Road, following a diversion route. This ensures that the service continues to operate, although it will not be able to serve the stops at the crossroads directly.

In addition, we have explored whether the boundary area for the ittravel bus could be temporarily extended to include Weaverham High School to provide an alternative option for affected passengers. Cheshire West and Chester Council (CWaC) have confirmed that this is not possible.

We are continuing to engage with local representatives, including Cllr Gill Edwards, to see if any alternative solutions or adjustments can be made to support residents and students affected by the closure. Our aim is to ensure that public transport access is maintained as effectively as possible during this period, and we will provide updates as soon as any viable options are identified.

Is there the possibility of providing alternative parking for residents living close to the crossroads?

We have explored the possibility of providing alternative parking for residents living near the crossroads, including the use of Forestry England land, which the project team has previously used as a compound area. However, at this stage it is unclear whether this site will be needed once works in the area begin. Additionally, using the land as a car park would present significant challenges, as it would not be possible to control or restrict access effectively. For these reasons, it has been determined that this option is not viable for providing alternative parking for residents.

Will pedestrian access be maintained during the road closure?

Pedestrian access will be maintained wherever possible throughout the road closure. A pedestrian management plan will be implemented to ensure the safety and convenience of all pedestrians in the area which will include temporary walkways. There will be appropriate signage to guide pedestrians safely around the works. The plan will be regularly reviewed and adjusted as the works progress to ensure that pedestrian movement remains safe and accessible at all times.

Would it be possible to lay metal plates over the excavation to allow vehicles to pass through the working area. Can a vehicle access route be set up over the pavement so vehicles can pass through the crossroads?

It is not possible to create a vehicle access route over the pavement through the crossroads. The primary reason is health and safety: the works involve significant excavation and the installation of a secure working area, which must remain in place for the duration of the project to protect both the public and the workforce. Allowing vehicles to pass over the pavement would compromise the integrity of this working area and create a high risk of accidents.

In addition to safety concerns, the pavement and surrounding surfaces are not designed to support the weight and movement of vehicles. Using these surfaces in this way could cause structural damage, create instability, or lead to further hazards, particularly given the depth and extent of the excavation. Temporary measures such as metal plates or movable barriers have also been considered, but these are not feasible due to the size and complexity of the excavation, the layout of the working area, and the need to maintain a secure and controlled environment for construction activities.

Throughout the project, careful planning and pedestrian management will be implemented to maintain safe access where possible, but vehicle access through the crossroads during the works cannot be accommodated.