Norley CE Primary School

Newsletter

THIS WEEK W/C 17TH NOVEMBER 2025

We have a busy and exciting week ahead!

The ELS Book Bus will be visiting, giving children the chance to choose new books for our library and reading corners. Some of our year 5 and 6 pupils will be representing our school in the Small Schools Cheshire Football Competition—good luck! The choir will continue their rehearsals for Christmas performances, and a reminder that flu immunisations are on Friday.

WHAT'S COMING UP?

November:

- 18th Y5 & 6 Football Competition (selected pupils)
- 19th SEND Coffee Afternoon @ 2pm, Crowton Primary
- 21st Whole school flu immunisations
- 27th Class 3 & 4 Tag Rugby (selected pupils)
- 30th Children to perform outside Tiger's Head

December:

- 3rd Year 2 Christmas Journey Please see Compass
- 5th Christmas Concert in school @ 10.30am
- w/c 8th Last week of after-school clubs
- 11th Poetry Buzz Festival @ 6pm (information to follow)
- 12th Class 3 violin concert
- 15th & 16th Christmas Plays @ 2pm & 6pm
- 17th Whole school visit to the Pantomime
- 18th Whole school Christmas Lunch
- 19th Christingle in Church @ 10am
- 19^{th} School closes for Christmas. 1.15pm **or** 3.15pm collection

January:

- 5th Inset Day
- 6th School reopens

NEWS

Tesco

Please continue to vote for our school in Tesco for the Stronger Starts scheme. It's a scheme which gives community projects like us grants of up to £1,500! - Thank you for your support!

Save the Date - 30th November 2025

Children from our school have been invited to sing at the Christmas Light Switch-On at the Tigers Head. This is always a lovely community event, and we would be delighted to see as many families as possible joining us to support the children and enjoy the festive atmosphere. Timings will be confirmed in next week's newsletter.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

Outstanding Balances

All outstanding balances from ParentPay have now been transferred over to Compass. Please could you kindly settle all balances at your earliest convenience. Balances can be accessed by the "Payments Centre" notification on logging into the Compass App or through "School Fees" on the main menu. Please speak to the office if you have any queries. Thank you.

LAST WEEK

Gripping Yarns

The children thoroughly enjoyed an engaging performance from Gripping Yarns, which once again captured their imaginations.

SEND Parents' Evening

Thank you to all parents who attended the SEND Parents' Evening-your support is greatly appreciated.

Children in Need

We would like to thank families for taking part in Children in Need by decorating a T-shirt or wearing something Pudsey-themed. Our School Council led a reflective collective worship to help raise awareness.

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PTFA NEWS

Silent Disco Party

A huge thank-you to all the children who came along to the PTFA Silent Disco on Friday night. It was wonderful to see everyone dancing, laughing, and enjoying the evening together. Donations from the event are currently being counted, and we look forward to sharing the total amount raised very soon. Thank you for your fantastic support!

Christmas Raffle

Got something fab hiding at home you'd love to donate? Or maybe you (or someone you know!) own a business that could chip in a voucher or prize?

If you've got a prize to give, just drop it off at the school office by the 1st of December or message us - we'll be doing a happy elf dance in your honour.

ATTENDANCE

Last week's attendance:

Whole School: 99.5%

Class 1: 100%

Class 2: 99%

Class 3: 99.3%

Class 4: 100%

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

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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

As the days grow colder, we give thanks for the gift of each new season. We pray for the health, warmth, and well-being of our students, families, staff, and the wider community. May everyone find comfort and safety, and may our shared care and kindness bring light to these cooler days.

Amen.





You're Invited: Coffee Afternoon for SEND Parents – Crowton, Kingsley St John's and Norley.

Crowton Christ Church C.E. Primary School Wednesday 19th November 2pm

RSVP - please follow the link above!

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From: SANDIWAY LIBRARY <SANDIWAY.LIBRARY@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk>

Sent: 14 November 2025 15:21 **To:** SANDIWAY LIBRARY

Subject: Free Christmas entertainment for children at the library

Dear all

Hope you are well. We would be grateful if you could pass the info below on to your students and families.

Many thanks and kind regards

Sophie Cannon

Customer Services Representative
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Free Christmas entertainment for children at the library

Looking for ways to entertain the kids for free in the run up to Christmas, and over the holidays? If so, call in to Sandiway Library! Every day, we will have puzzles and colouring sheets available, plus our regular weekly free drop-in events for families. You can also join the following free festive events:

- Storytime and Craft Thursday 11 December, 3.45 4.45pm
- Cantonese Storytime Saturday 13 December, 11am 12 noon
- Rhyme Time Christmas Party Tuesday 16 December, 10.30 11.30am
- Storytime and Craft Thursday 18 December, 3.45 4.45pm

There are lots of free events at other local libraries too. Find out more: What's on in our Libraries

Aside from our events, we have all sorts of books to keen young minds entertained – including story books and non-fiction books, graphic novels, search-and-find books and more. These books are available in paper, as e-books, or as audio books.

It is free to join the library as a member, and no ID is required. You can join by phone, online, or in the library. As a member, you can access free Wi-Fi and refreshments, and you can use the computers for up to an hour a day, free-of-charge. Find out more about <u>Sandiway Library</u> and our opening times online or call 01606 271767.

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Subject: FW: Vyrnwy Aqueduct Modernisation Programme (VAMP) - Tarporley to Norton

Update

Attachments: You Said, We Listened, We Acted - Nov 25.pdf; 10886 VAMP Norley Road overview

flyer v1.pdf

Good afternoon,

I hope this email finds you well.

Update on Planned Works - Ref 80063071.02

Section 1 - Cotebrook to Abbey Lane

• Cleaning: Complete

- Lining: In progress
- Abbey Lane (B5152):

Temporary road closure on Abbey Lane near the junction with Chester Road (A556) **planned from Monday 10 November 2025** <u>has been postponed</u>.

• Sadlers Lane:

Temporary road closure on Sadlers Lane near the junction with Stable Lane (B5152) **planned from Friday 24 October 2025** <u>has been postponed</u>.

I apologise for any inconvenience this may cause. We will contact you again once we have a confirmed update on the revised schedule.

Section 2 – Abbey Lane to Hatchmere

- Cleaning: Complete
- Lining: Programme TBC
- We are currently working through the design for this section, including the road closure on Station Road.
- The earliest this section is likely to start is late 2026/early 2027.
- Section 1 must be completed before Section 2 can proceed.

Wallasey BSP (Hatchmere Crossroads Closure)

Temporary road closure at the Crossroads of Blakemere Lane, Delamere Road, Ashton Road and School Lane from **Monday 30 March to Tuesday 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.
- There will be no vehicle access through the crossroads during this period.
- Pedestrian access will remain open wherever possible, with clear signage in place.
- A summary of queries received during recent community engagement is enclosed and will continue to be updated as the project progresses.

Section 3 – Kingsley / Norley

- Cleaning: Complete
- Lining: *In progress*
- Norley Road:

- Temporary road closure on Norley Road from Friday 12 December 2025 to Friday 27 March 2026.
- This closure relates to the same section completed in summer 2025 (the small section at the top of Norley Road) and will allow us to complete the second line.
- There will be no pedestrian or cyclist access through this section due to the depth and size of the excavation.

Regular updates will continue to be published on our website: unitedutilities.com/vamp-live-updates.

I've attached a digital poster for the autumn closure on Norley Road, which you may find helpful to share with your customers.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Kind Regards, Emma



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Vyrnwy Aqueduct Modernisation Programme

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

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

Will pedestrian access be maintained during the road closure?

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?



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 manoeuvre 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 itravel 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.

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.

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.

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.

Water for the North West

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Vyrnwy Aqueduct Modernisation Programme

During the period of the closure visitors to
Delamere Forest do not use the roads leading to
Hatchmere Crossroads as a car park.

Ensure that vehicles adhere to the road closed signs and did not use resident's driveways as turning points, particularly large vehicles and HGVs. These roads are part of the public highway. While we cannot enforce parking, we want to help keep the area safe and accessible for everyone. Where possible, clear signage will be provided to guide visitors and minimize inconvenience for local residents and other road users. We will work with Forestry England and CWaC to include this information on their visitor pages. We can also share it via posters and social media to help visitors plan ahead and stay informed.



Temporary road closure on Norley Road while we're working in your area



A section of Norley Road will be

closed at the crossroads approach with Beech Lane and Forest Lane

Thank you for your patience as our team continue work in your area to modernise the water pipe network. We really do appreciate it and understand that roadworks can be inconvenient.

We'll be working on the second aqueduct pipeline and this will require a similar road closure to the one which was in place during summer 2025.

As our team are also working at other locations on the pipeline, there may be times when you may not always see us at the Norley Road working area.

We provide regular roadwork information and updates at unitedutilities.com/vamp-liveupdates If you have a smartphone or mobile device you can simply scan the QR code.

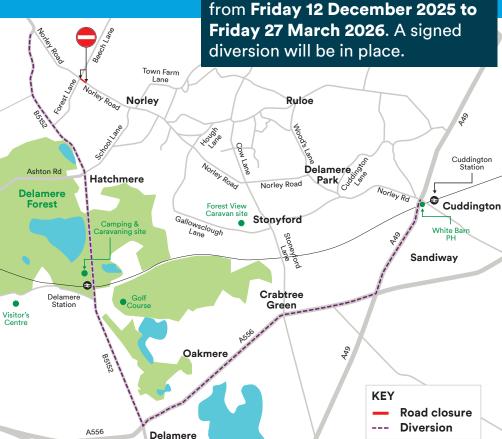


If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to get in touch

Call us on **0345 672 3723** quoting project number 80063071

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Christmas Holiday Club

Monday 22nd & Tuesday 23rd December 2025

Fun Fest Hartford Manor

Join us this December for two festive days filled with Christmas and winter-themed fun!

Bookings go live Monday 3rd November



Christmas Holiday Club

AM Creative Sports Crafty Monday Sports Action Cooks Creations Action Sports Sublime Tuesday **Christmas Party** Action Slime

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