



Message from Headteacher

Rail Safe Award

I recently informed parents and carers that we have attained the bronze level of the national Rail Safe award. I am delighted to inform you that we have now progressed to the Silver Award. You know us – we are not stopping there! We are now aiming for the Gold level of the award!

The Rail Safe Friendly Programme works alongside Network Rail and other leading rail companies. Further information about the award can be found at the website www.railsafefriendly.com

I have challenged children this week to create some posters on the theme of staying safe on the railways.

We have launched a competition to find the best posters from children of all age groups. The winning posters will be displayed around our school to promote messages about staying safe.



Competition entry forms have been sent to children's classrooms. The competition closing date is Friday 17th July. It may be helpful to look at the website above with your child for inspiration and ideas when creating their poster for the competition.

School Meals accounts

As we come towards the end of this school year, please may I ask that school meals accounts are fully paid off by the end of term. This is particularly important for those pupils in Year six who will leave our school in July. School is liable for any arrears which are outstanding at the end of the school year. Our budget is getting tighter and tighter and we simply do not have the resources to write off debts which are left outstanding.

Uniform Union

If you have any pre-loved uniform, school shoes, trainers or PE kit at the end of this school year, we would be delighted to receive them from you for our Uniform Union. A particular plea to Year six families as often we have lower stocks of uniform for older children. Any donations can be handed in to the school office. Thank you!

Message from Headteacher

Changes to Free School Meals from September 2026

I wrote to families recently regarding the changes to free school meals arrangements from September 2026.

From September 2026, all children from households in receipt of Universal Credit will be entitled to receive a free school meal.

There will be two new groups for free school meals.

Targeted Free School Meals (FSM)	Pupils in households with annual earnings of £7,400 or less.	Eligible for other entitlements linked to free school meals including: • Holiday activities • Holiday food programme • School travel assistance
Expanded Free School Meals (FSM)	Pupils in households which receive Universal Credit but earn more than £7,400 and so don't qualify for Targeted FSM.	Receive free school meals only. Do not receive benefits listed above.

It is anticipated that this may mean that more children are eligible for free school meals, even if they only qualify for the Expanded group (meals only).

ACTION IS NEEDED

IF YOU THINK YOU MAY NOW BE ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS OR IF YOU CURRENTLY RECEIVE FREE SCHOOL MEALS PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD IS REGISTERED FOR SEPTEMBER 2026.

Applications for free school meal applications is now open for the academic year 2026/2027
To apply copy and paste the link below

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

Please do not hesitate to contact Kara Newton at school, on 01244 323890 if you need any support in submitting your application.

If you do not reapply before the end of this school year in July, your child may not receive free school meals from the start of the new school year in September 2026.

School Shoes from September 2026

Just a reminder that we will revert back to children wearing school shoes in September 2026.

This year, we trialled permitting children to wear plain black trainers for school but we have had lots of black trainers with coloured stripes, ticks, laces and eyelets this year.

Message from Headteacher

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Year 6 residential in September 2026

The residential trip for Year six pupils takes place from 23-25 September 2026.

Mrs Millington and Miss Buckley have arranged an information meeting for parents/carers about the trip on 9th September at 5.30pm. Further information about this meeting will follow in due course.

11th September - Cyber Safety Day

We will host DC Andrew Kevan from the Cyber Crime unit at Cheshire Police on 11th September. DS Bevan will be with us for the whole day delivering workshops about cyber security. There will be an information session for parents/carers in school from 2.15-3.15pm.

I strongly recommend that families attend this meeting as DS Bevan has a wealth of experience about online safety and the very real hazards that children can encounter when playing online and using technology.

Community Clothing Cabin

**KIT YOUR CHILD OUT FOR THE
SUMMER SEASON FOR FREE WITH A
TRIP TO THE CHILDREN'S COMMUNITY
CLOTHING CABIN!**

Our Community Clothing Cabin is the blue building located next to the school bike sheds at the front of school, nearest the main playground and the staff car park.

The cabin contains pre-loved clothing and footwear for children of all ages. All items are clean and in good condition. There is a wide selection of ready to wear clothing and footwear in a range of sizes. There is no charge for any items.

The Community Clothing Cabin is open every school day from 8am to 4.30pm.

We sustain our Community Clothing Cabin by collecting pre-loved items of clothing or footwear from our families so that this facility remains well-stocked. Providing this service also enables us to promote a positive message about sustainability, recycling and reusing items to our school family.



AmaSing Performance!

Earlier this week, a wonderful group of choir pupils represented our school at this year's Amasing concert at Chester Cathedral. They danced their feet off and sang their hearts out. Mrs Walsh and Mrs Watling were thrilled to watch their smiling faces while they were performing the huge audience!

We are extremely proud of you all.



Year 6 Play

We are so excited to present the Year 6 production of Grossbusters, next week for parents and carers of year 6 pupils. The play is a monstrously funny musical comedy. Oozing with catchy songs, crazy characters and comic chaos, it's a guaranteed monster hit!

Parents and carers are invited to watch on Tuesday 7th July and Thursday 9th July. Both shows start at 6pm. You do not need tickets for the performance.

Pupils will go home after school on both days and return to school for 5.15pm.

Families are requested to wait by the external hall door (by the playpark), to enter the shows.

Year 6 Residential

Just a reminder for families in year 5, the year 6 residential trip payment needs to be fully paid by the beginning of September. Your balance can be found on your Compass app. Click on the cog, select My Payments and then Action Centre, to make your payment.



Year 3 and 6
Sports Days



1 MILE
RUN

WINNERS THIS WEEK

**TEAM 1J
and TEAM 5R**



Congratulations to this week's winning teams! Every week we hold a competition and the class with the most participants in the run will win!

All you need to do is:

- Enter the field via the school gate
- Be sure to sign in with Mrs Cooper so that your run is included in the weekly total
- Run free around the field
- Make sure that you make it into class for 8.50am when registration starts!

* **1 MILE
RUN**

with Mrs Cooper!

Tuesdays and
Wednesdays
mornings

**8.30AM
START**



**SIGN IN AT THE SCHOOL GATE WITH MRS COOPER. THE CLASS WITH
THE MOST PARTICIPANTS WINS THE WEEKLY CONTEST!**

*Please note that
the run is for
pupils only

Swimming Lessons: Week 3

Your child's swimming session days are shown on the swimming rota below. The week 3 swimming rota was also sent home in children's book bags yesterday.

6th July 2026															
Week 3	8.45-9.15	9.15-9.45	9.45-10.15	10.15-10.45	10.45-11.00	11.00-11.30	11.30-12pm	12pm-12.30	12.30-1pm	1pm-1.30pm	1.30-2pm	2pm -2.30	2.30-2.45	2.45 -3.15	3.15-3.45
					Break				Break				Break		
Monday	12	10	11	8		9	7	29		25	26	27		28	
Tuesday	13	35	36	37		38	25	1		39	40	41		14	
Wednesday	4	4	5	5		2	2	43		43	6	6		3	
Thursday	3	30	31	32		33	34	24		20	21	22		23	
Friday	7	15	16	17		19	13	14		18	1	20		21	

Some groups will be learning life-saving techniques next week. **Please can children in groups 5, 6, 10, 11 and 12, bring pyjamas or shorts and a t-shirt to wear over their costumes for their next swimming session**

Equipment Needed

Your child will need to bring the following on their swimming day:

Essential

- Swimming costume
- Towel
- Carrier bag to put wet clothing into after swimming

For religious or cultural reasons, if your child needs to, they may enter the pool wearing leggings, long or short sleeved t-shirts or shorts either over or instead of a swimming costume. This is also an option for older pupils or those who may be body conscious.

Optional or if you have them

- Goggles if they wish to wear them
 - A swimming hat if they have one – please note that we have these in school so, if your child does not currently have one, they can borrow one from school.
- Recommended but not essential (please don't go out and buy these specially)
- Flip flops, crocs or similar shoes which can be slipped on to walk from the changing areas to the pool
 - A dressing gown or long hoodie to wear walking to and from the pool.

FINAL NOTICE

THE HOOLE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

COLOUR RUN RETURNS!



**FINAL
SALE**

**LAST!
CHANCE!**

LAST CHANCE

**FROM 3.40 ONWARDS
TUESDAY 21ST JULY 2026**

After last year's successful event, we are very excited to announce we will be holding another Colour Run, which will be held after school on Tuesday 21st July!



Today is the last day you can book!



If you are not aware of colour runs, they are a fun run (or walk) where participants are doused with different coloured vibrant powders at various points along a course. The colourful powders are made from corn starch. The event is designed to be exciting and inclusive, with an emphasis on a fun memorable experience rather than speed.

If you would like to take part, the charge for each participant (adult or child) is £6.50. Every bit of money raised will be reinvested in our school.

For safety reasons, a parent or carer must run with their child.

The maximum ratio for children running with an adult is 1 adult to 4 children. The £6.50 charge will include a drink and snack for each participant.

• **All participants must complete the waiver & payment on the School Spider app, by the end of today.** If we do not receive your waiver and payment by the deadline, you will not be able to participate.

• Please bring the clothes to participate in with you after school and a carrier bag to pop your stained clothes into change into after the run.

• There is an option to buy small extra pouches of powder (100g) to create your own colour cloud to throw for personal photographs, at the end of the course. Your order can be made on the School Spider app.

Sports Days

Here's the timetable for our Sports Days! (weather permitting)

Reception	Tuesday 14 th July	9.30 AM
Year 1	Wednesday 15 th July	9.30 AM
Year 2	Friday 17 th July	11AM
Year 3	Wednesday 1st July	1.45 PM
Year 4	Thursday 9 th July	9.30 AM
Year 5	Tuesday 14 th July	1.45 PM
Year 6	Thursday 2nd July	9.30 AM

Parents and carers are welcome to join us on their children's Sports Days and cheer along! Please enter school via the Sports Field gates.

AM - gates will open at 9.15am for a 9.30am start.
PM - gates open at 1.30pm for 1.45pm start.

Please ensure that all children in **Reception, Year 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6** come to school wearing their PE kits and sun cream, and bring a filled water bottle and a sun cap.

Year 2's Sports Day is slightly different as it is also their Graduation Service the same morning. We will set off to church just after registration. Parents are invited to walk with their child to our Graduation Service at All Saints' Church, which starts at 9.40am.

We will walk back to school after the service and then have Sports Day at approximately 11am.

Year 2 children will need to come to school dressed in their uniform, with their shorts and trainers in a bag to change into.



Sports Days



JUICE BOOST



Ice Fresh
Drinks

WITH A NICE SLICE OF LEMON

One of our fabulous Enterprise Club groups, Juice Boost, will be selling cold drinks on all the Sports Day. Please bring £1 if you would like to make a purchase.

Young Enterprise Craft Session

One of our Enterprise Clubs is running craft afternoons, during the school day, on Tuesday 7th July for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and 14th July for children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. During the workshop, children will create a small craft to take home.

If your child would like to take part, please book their place by paying £1 on School Spider, via the Bookings and Payments tab by 10am on Monday 6th July. Please note, places are limited.

Tuesday 7th July.

Reception

Year 1

Year 2

Tuesday 14th July.

Year 3

Year 4

Year 5

Year 6

£1 per child.

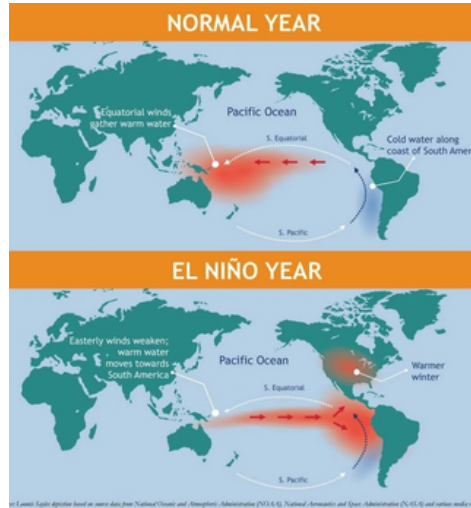
Please book your place on School Spider



Class Worship

In this week's class worship we talked about how the weather can influence the decisions we make.

Scientists are monitoring a climate trend called El Nino, which begins in the Pacific Ocean and can affect weather in different parts of the world. It can bring heavy rain and flooding to some countries, while others may experience very hot, dry weather. Experts are helping communities understand what might happen in their area so they can be ready, if needed.



Things to talk about at home:

- What is your favourite type of weather and why?
- Have you or anyone at home ever had to change your plans because of the weather?
- What would you pack if you didn't know it would be raining or sunny?
- What might some people need to prepare more carefully for certain types of weather?

Superstar Alert!

You may remember a few newsletters ago, that we told you about year 3's Harvey's sponsored bike ride for the ME Association.

We are so proud to announce that Harvey has now completed his **50 mile target**. He persevered through the heatwave and **a sickness bug** but didn't give up! He's raised a **MASSIVE £2269** so far!

He was interviewed by a press officer at the ME Association, and he's been live on Dee radio and BBC Merseyside, raising lots of awareness for Myalgic Encephalomyelitis.

If you would like to make a donation, please visit Harvey's Just giving page:

www.justgiving.com/page/harveys-big-ride?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL&utm_campaign=lc_frp_share_transaction_fundraiser_page_donation_received-nth_donation



GULP

Over the last 4 weeks, Year 4 have been a part of Chester Football Club's GULP project. The GULP (Give Up Loving Pop) programme is a public health initiative by Food Active, aimed at raising awareness about the harms of over-consuming sugary drinks.

They have learnt all about the sugar content in drinks and how this affects our exercise and performance. We have combined physical and theory in each of our sessions, spending some time outside playing games and then learning in the classroom.

We want to say a huge thank you to Calvin and Beth from Chester FC for running these sessions.



★★ Times Tables Rockstar Championship

THE WINNING CLASS IS

TEAM 6B

PUPIL LEADERBOARD

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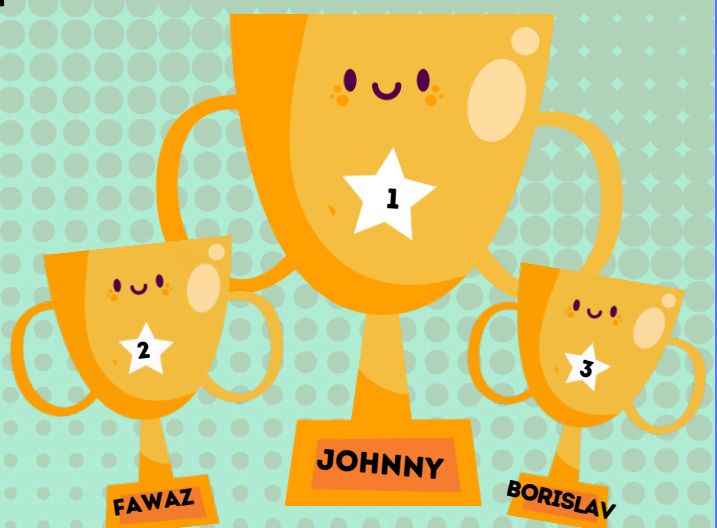
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Next Week's School Dinner Menu

Provided by
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HOOLE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEK 3 LUNCH MENU

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Slices of Texas BBQ Pizza (V) served with Baked Beans, Seasonal Vegetables or Coleslaw	Oven Baked Sausage Roll or Cheese & Onion Roll, Mashed Potato served with Baked Beans or Seasonal Vegetables	Chicken or Quorn in a Katsu Curry Sauce served with Rice, Naan Bread & Seasonal Vegetables	Spaghetti Bolognese served with Seasonal Vegetables	Cod/Salmon Fish Fingers or Veggie Fingers served with Chips, Baked Beans or Peas
Jack of all trades with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Tomato & Herb Pasta Pot	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta Pot	Cheese & Tomato Pasta Pot	Hot Cheese & Tomato Baguette	Cheesy Bean Pasta Pot
Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich
Toffee Cake	Golden Crunch Biscuit	Chocolate Mudslide Cookie	Watermelon Wedge or Biscuit	Rice Crispy Cookie



Birthdays

**MRS
NEWALL,
HELENA
AND
THEA!**

Many happy returns
to all our birthday
buddies!
We hope you enjoy
your birthday book!

LETTING THEIR LIGHT SHINE!

George passed his
Water Safety course!

Ayan and Faya made
a gallery to celebrate
summer!



Rebeca and Helena
have reached Level 1
in gymnastics!



Demi reached her
level 4 swimming!



Heath and Oliver
made fresh
homemade
lemonade last week
and set up a stall.
They sold it for two
hours, making £16
profit!

George received a
fistful of medals for
his outstanding
swimming!



Rae achieved her
purple and black belt
at Martial arts!



Key Dates

6th July	Year 2 Class Photographs
7th July	Year 6 Production 6PM
9th July	Year 6 Production 6PM
9th July	Early Help Navigator outside from 8.30AM
9th July	Year 4 Sports Day AM
14th July	Reception Sports Day AM
14th July	Year 5 Sports Day PM
15th July	Year 1 Sports Day AM
15th July	Year 6 Leaver's Service 2PM at All Saints' Church
15th July	Parent Drop-in with Reports Queries from 3.30PM
17th July	Year 2 Graduation at All Saints' Church 9.40AM
17th July	Year 2 Sports Day 11AM
20th July	Year 6 Leavers Party 5PM-7PM
21st July	Colour Run (3.40PM)

Contact us



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SEND HEALTH & WELLBEING SUMMER CAMP

Queens Park High School, Queen's Park Rd
Handbridge, Chester CH4 7AE

FUNDED AND NON FUNDED
PLACES AVAILABLE

SUITABLE FOR 4 - 14 YEAR OLDS

SEND ONLY CHILDREN

SCAN BELOW TO BOOK

DATES:

Tuesday - Friday w/c 27th July
Tuesday - Friday w/c 3rd August
Tuesday - Friday w/c 10th August
Tuesday - Friday w/c 17th August

Activities Included:

Activities - Agility games, carousel activities, non contact sports, dance, yoga and gymnastics

Creativity - Lego, Art, Jig Saws, Chill time, Sensory Play

Key info: one to four staff to child ratio, parents / carers welcome to attend



FOR BOOKING AND FURTHER INFO VISIT -

<https://seanbaileywellness.com/community-camps-chester/>

Department
for Education



KidsBank Chester

KidsBank Autumn Uniform Referrals Now Open

Our Autumn Uniform Referrals will be open from

Monday 1st June - Monday 27th July

Families with primary school age children can **self-refer** for support with school uniform for the new school year.

KidsBank can provide the following non-branded (without school logos) uniform items via our Autumn Uniform Referral Forms

- Polo Shirts
- Shirts
- Jumpers
- Cardigans
- Uniform Trousers
- Uniform Skirts
- Uniform Pinafores
- Uniform Shorts
- School Shoes
- Backpacks
- Lunch Boxes
- Water Bottles

This is a free service available to families.

HOOLE ALLOTMENTS SUMMER FAYRE & OPEN DAY



**SUNDAY
12TH JULY 2026
11-3**

SCARECROW
TRAIL

LIVE ON STAGE

**WE WILL
ROCK
YOU**

STORYHOUSE, CHESTER

24-25 JULY 2026

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