NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2026

MESSAGE FROM MRS JEVONS

Dear Parents and Carers,

It definitely feels like autumn has arrived this week – with darker mornings and evenings drawing in early. We look forward to exploring the beauty in the changing of the season.



We have been reviewing our Online Safety policy, in line with new guidance regarding use of AI and the dangers of posting photographs of children online. We have revised the way we will communicate photos to improve confidentiality for the children.

We will be revising our photograph permissions forms and resending this out after half term. We will also be reviewing which communications you can expect to see on different platforms and how often.



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Exciting News

We are delighted to announce some exciting news-Mrs Cowan is expecting her first baby in December. We wish her lots of luck and can't wait to meet Baby Cowan!

Mrs Watson will be returning from her adoption leave to teach part time in the Year 1 class and we have appointed a lovely new teacher who will work alongside Mrs Watson.

We will be in communication with parents of children in Year 1MC about when Mrs Watson and new teacher will be starting and there will be a comprehensive handover to ensure a smooth transition for the children.

Reception/Year 6 Buddies

Reception and Year 6 have loved spending time with their buddies this week and have been exploring different areas of the school to play in including the field, sandpit and den building areas. Thankyou for bringing in wellies for the children to use-it makes using all the areas much easier.

As the weather begins to change, we would still like to use all of the areas as much as possible so you may want to send waterproof trousers into school for your child to use. (This is optional and we do have some spares but not enough for everyone and we mainly have smaller sizes.) This would be particularly useful for children wanting to play football on their allocated day and children who want to play in the sandpit. If the areas are particularly muddy and wet, children may not be allowed in without appropriate clothing. (The safety of the areas will be constantly reviewed)





Reception 2027

We welcomed families in for the second of our school tours this week. Please spread the word to any one in the community who has a child starting school in September 2027.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Warm regards,

Mrs Jevons

Headteacher

Thought of the Week:
Matthew 21:35-39

Our Bible lesson today one of Jesus' parables. It is a story about a man who owned some land. He planted some grapes on the land and then rented it to some other farmers who were to work in the vineyard and take care of it for him. Part of the agreement he had with these farmers was that they would give him a share of the crops.

When it came time to harvest the grapes, the landowner sent his servants to collect his share of the harvest. The farmers who had leased the land beat the servants and even killed one of them. They refused to give the landowner what was owed to him.

A second time the landowner sent servants, more than the first time, but again the farmers treated them in the same way.

Finally, he sent his own son, thinking, "Surely they will respect my son."
But when they saw the son coming, they said, "This is the landowner's son, let's kill him and take his inheritance."

Jesus asked the men listening to his story, "What do you think the landowner will do to those men?"

"He will destroy those wicked men, and rent his land to someone else, who will give him his share of the fruit at harvest time" answered his listeners.

In this story that Jesus told, the landowner represents God. God first sent men such as Noah, Moses, David, the prophet Isaiah, and others to tell people of his love for them and to call them to turn away from their wicked ways, but many would not listen. Finally, he sent His own Son, Jesus. You know what they did to him, don't you? That's right, they crucified him. God gave them a chance. He even gave them a second chance - and a third. But when they rejected His Son, that was their last chance. He is our last chance too - our only chance to have eternal life in heaven with him.

Dear Father,
We thank you for sending us Jesus, your only Son. Help us to remember that he is our only chance to receive eternal life. In Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.

UPCOMING DATES

12th	Antibullying workshops (PTA funded)
20th	Parents evening
21st	Year 5/6 Chester Military Museum
22nd	Parents evening
23rd	School closes for half term

PTA Christmas Card Project: School Print World have processed all our children's artwork and the proof cards with your login details are being sent home today, so check bags!

Once you have it, order online to get great Christmas Cards, Mugs, Labels and more!

Online orders need to be in by 14 October which is only next week so please don't delay - do it as soon as possible!

If there are any spelling errors or orientation issues, do not worry as you can amend this when you log in to order. If you have any problems please email werburghcolumbapta@gmail.com



West Cheshire
Foodbank
Together with Trussell

Thank you!



St Werburgh & St Columba Primary School

For your recent fundraising efforts.

Without your continued support we would not be able to support the lives of people in the community who need emergency food.

You have made a huge impact with your donations, so once again, thank you!

West Cheshire Food Bank Team.

115 kg

Registered charity number 1150934. Registered in England and Wales.

IS YOUR CHILD STARTING SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2027?

COME AND VISIT ST WERBURGH'S AND ST COLUMBA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Tour Dates

- Wednesday 30th September 2026 — 9:30am
- Wednesday 7th October 2026 — 9:30am
- Tuesday 20th October 2026 — 9:30am
- Wednesday 4th November 2026 — 1:30pm
- Wednesday 11th November 2026 — 9:30am
- Wednesday 2nd December 2026 — 9:30am



During your tour, you will have the opportunity to:

- Meet our Headteacher
- Explore our classrooms, outdoor spaces and facilities
- Learn about our curriculum, values and wider opportunities

To book your tour — please contact the school office

Whether you are new to the area or beginning your child's school journey, we would love to show you what makes our school community so special

Book your tour:
01244 478968
office@lovelearnlaugh.org.uk

Scan to view admissions page

FAMILY FUN EVENING!

St. Theresa's Club

A Church Community Gathering



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16TH | 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

ST. THERESA'S CLUB

BLACON AVENUE

★ CHILDREN'S TRIVIA QUIZ ★ PRIZES FOR WINNERS ★ FAMILY GAMES
GAMES & REFRESHMENTS ★ ALL AGES WELCOME! ★

EVERYONE WELCOME! FREE ENTRY!

HOSTED BY ST THERESA'S & ST COLUMBA'S SOCIAL COMMITTEE

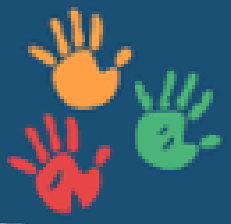
STARTING 15th SEPTEMBER

Werbie Tots

BRAND NEW toddler group

Tuesdays 9:15 - 11 am







JOIN THE FUN!

• art • stories • music • singing •
• creative play • nature exploring •

FIND US AT

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Email: office@lovelearnlaugh.org.uk

ATTENDANCE AND ABSENCE REMINDER

Attendance and absence: **For safeguarding reasons we ask that you please leave a voicemail each day to report your child absent on 01244 478968 unless there is an exclusion period where we know not to expect them for a certain period (e.g. 48h after the last incident of sickness or diarrhoea). We are required to record a reason for all absences.** As always, **please complete a leave of absence request** (available on the website or from the office) before taking your child out of school in term time. Family holidays in term time cannot be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances, and please bear in mind that **unauthorised absence of five school days longer (not necessarily consecutive) in a rolling 10-week period may incur a fixed penalty. New regulations regarding attendance and absence are now in force, details have been sent out separately.** Absence for medical appointments (or music exams, etc) is authorised, **but please email a screenshot of any appointments your child needs to attend during school time to office@lovelearnlaugh.org.uk.**

Attendance continues to be priority for St Werburgh's & St Columba's Catholic Primary School and we support and encourage all children to attend school as often as possible.

