NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 6TH NOVEMBER 2026

MESSAGE FROM MRS JEVONS

Welcome back after, hopefully, a relaxing half term break. The children have settled back into their routines very well and have had a busy week!

Coffee morning
Year 1 parents enjoyed a lovely Coffee Morning this morning, whilst finding out about Diwali. Year 1 entertained us with information, artwork and a beautiful Diwali dance and some of the children dressed in traditional clothing.

Class mass
Mr Roberts class celebrated class mass this morning with Father William. Thankyou very much for all who supported mass.

Basketball
Year 5/6 represented school brilliantly this week during the basketball tournament. They successfully made it through to the semi finals and came third overall. Well done!

Phonics Meeting
EYFS parents joined us this week for a Phonics and Reading meeting with Mrs McLintock. They then enjoyed stay and play in class with the children. We wish the children luck at the beginning of their reading journey.

Year 1 Staff
Huge Welcome to Miss Ashley, and Welcome Back to Mrs Watson, who both spent the day in Year 1MC this morning, getting the know the children and preparing for the next few weeks. We look forward to seeing you both again soon.

Warm regards,
Mrs Jevons
Headteacher



Thought of the Week:
Matthew 23:1-12

Jesus had something to say about "practicing what you preach." Jesus was talking about the teachers of the law and the Pharisees in the synagogue where people went to worship. Jesus said that everything that they did was done so that others would see them and think how great they were. But they didn't do what they told other people to do. In fact, they did the opposite!

What did Jesus tell us to do about teachers like these?

You might think Jesus would say, "Don't listen to them! You don't have to do what they say." But He didn't. Jesus said, "Obey these teachers and do everything they say. But do not do what they do, because they do not practice what they preach." When it comes to living the Christian life, we need to make sure we do what we say.

Here's a little poem that would be good to remember.
You can know a lot of Scripture
And have the gift to teach,
But what is more important --
Is to practice what you preach!

Dear God,
Help us be people who do what we say so that others can see the love of Jesus in us. In Jesus' name, Amen.



You can now recycle your medicine blister packs at St Werburgh's and St Columba's and Primary School

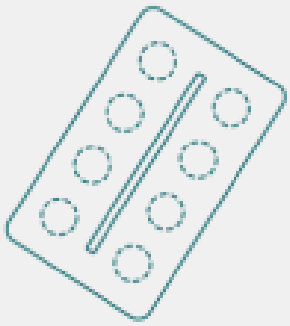


Recycling aluminium saves up to 95% of the energy required to produce it from raw ore.

Each tonne of blister packs recycled can avoid up to 3.5 tonnes of CO_2 equivalent emissions.

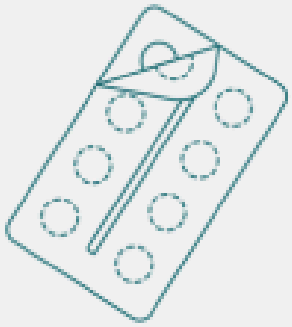
The recycling box has been provided free of charge by Eco Communities.
Scan the QR code or click HERE to find out more about their work in Chester and beyond.

What happens to your recycled blister packs?



PLASTIC (PVC)

Pre-shredded, washed and refined into a 5mm granulate, with microplastics captured and reprocessed at every stage. The material is then heated and pressed to form **MYboard™**, a durable, plywood-like product used as a lumber alternative in construction, joinery, shop and event fittings and commercial furniture.



METAL (FOIL)

Removed through a combination of magnets, current separation and infrared detection, as well as further shredding. Recovered foil is smelted into ingots for onward supply chains at a local refinery, or repurposed for new products.

Merry & Bright Christmas Lunch



ST WERBURGH'S & ST COLUMBA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Wednesday 16th December 2026

Main Choices

Traditional Christmas Roast Turkey Lunch with all the Trimmings Served with Roast & Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Peas, Sprouts & Gravy

Vegetarian option available

Desserts

Festive Christmas Biscuit



PTA PRESENTS
THE ANNUAL SCHOOL

MOVIE NIGHT



£5 PER CHILD

WEDNESDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2026

3.20 TO 5.00PM

Snack and Drink Provided!
Held in the School Hall
Book Now on Arbor!
Booking Closes 10 November
Please let us know any allergies!



ORDER ON ARBOR BY 6 NOVEMBER!

Order a Santa Stamp Pack Today and Raise Money for School Too!

Receive a special "stamp" for your child's own letter.
Parents/ Carers receive a code to personalise a reply from Santa/ Father Christmas plus activity pack containing:



Each stamp purchased raises £2.50 for school projects!

UPCOMING DATES

9th	Baptismal service and introductory meeting for First Holy Communion
10th	Tempest photographs
11th	Reception 2027 New Intake Tour
11th	PTA Movie Night
12th	Rock Steady Workshops
16th	Piano Concert
20th	Coffee Morning – Year 5 Black History theme

Families receiving Free School Meals

Support with food during the school holidays through the Crisis and Resilience Fund is now open again for applications.

This support is available for £30 per week per school age child that receives income based Free School Meals if families are struggling to meet these additional costs during the school holidays.

This payment will cover the combined October half term and Christmas holidays period of 3 weeks, and therefore if successful, an award of £90 will be given per eligible child, which will be paid via a payment to your bank account.

To apply or find out more details, you can visit
School Holiday Support Payment | Cheshire West and Chester Council

If you're not in receipt of Free Schools Meals but need help with a sudden financial crisis, you can apply for our Crisis Payment scheme
Crisis payments | Cheshire West and Chester Council

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

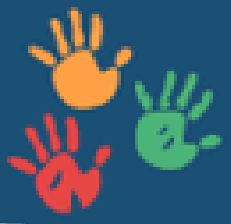
STARTING 15th SEPTEMBER

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

St Werburgh & St Columba Primary School
Lightfoot Street, Hoole, Chester CH2 3AD
Tel: 01244 478968
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.

