



Dates for Next Week

Monday 14th September

Bee Active Last Man Standing KS2

Bee Active are coming in to deliver a last man standing workshop to all KS2 pupils during the school day. Please can all children come to school in their PE kits.

Monday 14th September

Year 4 Cheshire Cricket

Cheshire Cricket are coming in to school to teach our Year 4s, some will also be staying after school for their club which has been communicated previously and is full. Please make sure that all children come to school in their PE kits.

Wednesday 16th September

Year 6 'Young Hearts Happy Minds'

Cheshire East Young Carers are coming into school to conduct 'Young Hearts Happy Minds' a wellbeing /mental health programme. These sessions focus on managing feelings, improving mental health, and supporting transition.

Friday 18th September

Year 6 Congleton High School Cultural Diversity Day

Our Year 6 pupils will walk over to CHS during the school day for their Cultural Diversity Day. This session gives a taste of the secondary school environment while exploring different global cultures and traditions. Please remember that all children will need a packed lunch and to wear PE kits.

School Meals Price Increase

Please be advised that, from September 2026, the cost of a school meal has increased to £3.00.

The new price was updated on our website and ScoPay, but unfortunately, we did not send a separate communication to parents and carers. We apologise for this oversight and any confusion or inconvenience it may have caused.

We have carefully considered this increase, having kept our prices unchanged since January 2024. However, due to rising food and operating costs, along with inflation, the increase is unfortunately necessary to help us continue providing nutritious, balanced and high-quality meals for our students.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

**Extracurricular
clubs will start next
week.**





Information and Polite Reminders

Free School Meals Allocation

From 1 September 2026, eligibility for Free School Meals (FSM) expanded. This means that all children living in households receiving Universal Credit are now eligible for free school meals.

Your child may qualify for Free School Meals if you receive one of the following benefits:

- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Universal Credit (see details on web page)

For further information please [visit our website here.](#)



Keeping Us Up-to-date About Allergies and Medication

Please help us keep your child safe by completing the form below with details of any allergies or medication your child currently has or requires. This includes food, medication, or any other known allergies, as well as any regular or prescribed medication.

If your child's allergies or medication change at any time, please also let us know and update the following form. This ensures that we always have the most accurate and up-to-date information to support your child and keep them safe.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

[Allergies and Medication Form](#)





Taking Children out of School

Holiday Forms Must be Completed

We have observed that some parents and carers have been taking children out of school without completing the Leave of Absence Form. Please be reminded that it is a legal requirement for the school to know the whereabouts of pupils at all times. Without prior notification, we will be required to contact home, which could result in unnecessary fines. If you require a holiday form please pop into the office and pick one up.

Penalty Notice

Please find below the penalty notice wording. To view the the attendance policy and the fining information please [click here](#).



More days in school =
more friends, more learning

90% attendance =
19 days missed

80% attendance =
38 days missed

27% of primary pupils
miss 10+ days of school

6 days absence = **drop in**
reading and maths

PENALTY NOTICE AND PROSECUTION

Penalty Notices may be issued for

Term time leave: Penalty Notice fines may be issued for term time leave of 5 or more days (10 sessions) in a 10-week period.

10 Sessions of Unauthorised absence in a rolling 10 week period: A Penalty Notices may be considered when there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period.

However, school retain the discretion to request a Penalty Notice before the threshold is met. For example, where parents/carers are deliberately avoiding the national threshold by taking several term time holidays below the threshold.

Per Parent/Per Child

Penalty Notice fines will continue to be issued per parent/carer per child. For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent/carer receiving 3 separate fines.

First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular school attendance the fine will be charged at:

£160 per parent/carer, per child if paid within 28 days of the issue, reducing to £80 per parent/carer, per child if paid within 21 days.

(Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

Second Offence

Where it is deemed appropriate to issue a second penalty notice to the same parent/carer for the same pupil within 3 years of the first penalty notice, for either term time leave or irregular attendance the second penalty notice will be charged at:

£160 if paid within 28 days. (Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

Third Offence

On the third time that an offence is committed within 3 years of the first penalty notice for either a term time leave or irregular attendance a penalty notice will not be issued.

The Local Authority will decide on appropriate next steps which may include:

*Prosecution under s444 (1) or (1a) of the Education Act 1996 which may result in a fine of upto £1000 or £2500 respectively.

*Referral to other agencies.



The Quinta Primary School Open Day



THE QUINTA PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN DAY

Everyday Excellence, Authentic Care, Opportunity, Independence

WEDNESDAY
23RD SEPTEMBER 2026
9:15AM - 10:00AM

JOIN US AND TAKE A LOOK

We're excited to be holding an open day for families considering a place in our Reception or Preschool. If you are wishing for your child to start during the 2027/28 academic year, we would love for you to come along and find out more about our school. To book a visit, just get in touch with the school office using the contact details below.

What you'll see...

- The stimulating learning environment within school
- A chance to chat to Staff
- Some of the current children's work and the curriculum followed
- How we live our values each day in school

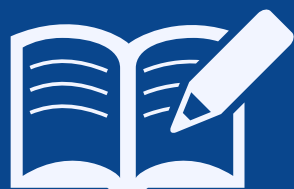
TO BOOK

Call on 01260 221640

Email admin@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk

For more information visit www.thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk





Congleton High School Open Day

"A warm, welcoming place to learn and work." Ofsted Feb 2023



Year 5 and 6 Open Evening

5.00pm - 8.00pm on Thursday 24th September 2026

All Year 5 and Year 6 pupils are warmly invited to join us to find out more about our vibrant school and the many academic, extracurricular and careers opportunities available to you.

Ms Thurland, our Headteacher, will give a brief introductory talk at 5.15pm, repeated at 6:15pm and 7.00pm.

To find out more, or to book your place at our Open Evening, scan the QR code or visit congletonhigh.com



We look forward to welcoming you and your family.

"Together in the Pursuit of Excellence"



Important Dates And Events

September

14 September – KS2 Last Man Standing Sports Day

18 September – Year 6 CHS Cultural Day

October

5 October – Individual & Sibling School Photographs

6 October – Flu Immunisations

13 October – KS1 Kinball/Dodgeball Day

16 October – Halloween Disco

20 October – KS2 Kinball/Dodgeball Day

21 October – Year 4 Level 1 Bikeability

22 October – Whole-School Music Tuition Assembly

26–30 October – Half-Term Holiday

November

2 November – INSET Day

3 November – INSET Day

5 November – Gunpowder Plot Experience Day

9 November – Diwali Experience Day

9–10 November – Reception–Year 6 Parents' Evenings

11 November – Whole-School Remembrance Experience

13 November – Children in Need

16 November – Odd Socks Day

16–20 November – Anti-Bullying Week

16–17 November – Year 5 Bikeability

19 November – Year 5 Clonter Performance

26 November – Christmas Merry Market (Provisional)

27 November – FOQ Santa Shop (Provisional)

December

14–15 December – Year 2 Standon Bowers Residential

18 December – Christmas Experience & Christmas Dinner

January



Important Dates And Events

January

4 January – INSET Day

February

8–9 February – Parents' Evenings

15–19 February – Half-Term Holiday

March

4 March – World Book Day

19 March – Comic Relief

24 March – Rock Kidz Whole-School Event

26 March–9 April – Easter Holiday

April

22 April – Earth Experience Day

28–30 April – Year 5 London Residential

May

10–13 May – Year 6 SATs Week

20 May – Year 3 World Bee Day Experience

31 May–4 June – Half-Term Holiday

June

7 June – INSET Day

14 June – Class & Year 6 Leavers' Photographs

28 June–2 July – Year 6 Residential

July

16 July – School Reports Sent Home

19 July – Year 6 Leavers' Performance (Provisional)

20 July – School Closes for Summer

21 July – INSET Day

Please save these dates. Provisional dates will be confirmed as soon as possible, and further year-group events will be added throughout the year. They will be in bold the week they are added to draw your attention.