

Saughall All Saints Primary School Newsletter 5th September 2025

To current students and families Welcome Back and to all our new pupils and families Welcome to Saughall All Saints. We hope you have all had a restful summer and looking forward to the new school year ahead.

Attendance

Class Attendance for the Whole Year 1st Mrs Hughes/Hooper Class 97%. 2nd Mr Dewdney Class 96.70%, 3rd Miss Blythin Class 96.60%. Mrs Calvert/Allason Class 96.50% Mr Fuller Class 96.20% Mr Dixon Class 96.20% **Mrs Davies Class** 95.90% Mr Murphy Class 95.90% Mrs Ashdown Class 95.50% Miss Choi Class 94.80% Miss Humphrey Class 94.60%

Whole School Attendance 96% Well done!

Please ensure your child/ren attends school every day, unless they are too poorly to do so. If your child is not able to attend, please ensure that you **telephone** the school office before 09:15 to advise. If you are calling before school opens, please leave a message as directed on the answer phone.

Punctuality is equally important:

Arriving 5 minutes late every day adds up to over 3 days lost each year = 20 lessons missed. Arriving 15 minutes late every day adds up to 2 weeks absence a year = 55 lessons missed. Arriving 25 minutes late every adds up to 19 days absence a year = 123 lessons missed

Nut Free School

Can we please remind you we are a nut free school.

Please remember to check the labels of all food and even if it says **may contain nuts**, then please do not send that food product into school.

For example:

- Spreads, e.g. chocolate spreads like Nutella
- Cereal bars
- Biscuits
- Cakes containing nuts
- Condiments e.g. sauces

Please note, if a member of staff notices a pupil eating a nut product, the product will be removed politely and explain why this has been done.

Fixed Penalty Notices for Unauthorised Holidays

Can we remind you of the new regulations that came in to effect on 19th August 2024, that to ensure we apply the law consistently and fairly in line with all Cheshire West and Chester schools that the FPN system is now in place.

Should an unauthorised leave of absence be of a duration of 10 consecutive school sessions (i.e. five school days) or more, or 10 sporadic sessions over a 10 week school period on the request of the Head Teacher or School's Governing Body, the local authority will issue a Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) to each of the child's the parents/carers.

Should you still choose to take this leave of absence with your child during this period the Local Authority will be informed as this will constitute an unauthorised absence. A Fixed Penalty Notice will then be issued in accordance with section 444 of the Education Act 1996.

Penalties for unauthorised absence

The law stipulates that the current penalties payable by parents are £160 if paid within 28 days reducing to £80 if paid within 21 days per parent/carer per child.

The National Framework for penalty notices introduces a new national limit of 2 penalty notices that can now be issued to a parent for the same child within a rolling 3-year period. If a second Fixed Penalty Notice is issued to the same parent for the same child, within three years of a first Fixed Penalty Notice, the second Fixed Penalty Notice is charged at a flat rate of £160 if paid within 28 days.

Once two Fixed Penalty Notices have been issued, if a 3rd unauthorised leave of absence occurs within a 3-year period, the Local Authority is able to move to prosecution immediately.

If the fixed penalty is not paid this could lead to you being prosecuted in the Magistrates' Court.

Speed and Parking

Please be reminded that it is a 20mph zone for the safety of the whole community.

When driving on to site, please keep your speed to 10mph maximum.

Additionally, please be respectful to local residents when parking – do not block driveways as this is causing upset and frustration.

You may have noticed that there has been a traffic enforcement office present at the end of the school day. This is to ensure everyone's safety and that due respect is shown to the local community.

Scooters and Bikes

There is no riding of scooters or bikes on school property. Please make sure your child dismounts before they come through the gates and walks with them to and from gate. Also, can all pedestrians please keep to the path and not cut across the roundabout or walk on the grass. Thank you.

SIMS LITE APP

Could you please all check your SIMs Lite App to make sure your information is up to date. Such as address, mobile phones and emergency contacts.

New parents will be sent their log on details very soon.

Dates for your Diary

Term Dates 2025/2026

School Opens for Pupils Wednesday 3rd September 2025 Monday 3rd November 2024 Tuesday 6th January 2026 Monday 23rd February 2026 Monday 20th April 2026

Tuesday 2nd June 2026

Date of closing for Pupils Friday 24th October 2025 Friday 19th December 2025 Friday 13th February 2026 Wednesday 1st April 2026 Friday 22nd May 2026 Tuesday 21st July 2026

INSET DAYS

Monday 1st September 2025 Tuesday 2nd September 2025 Monday 5th January 2026 Monday 1st June 2026 Wednesday 22nd July 2026

Bank Holiday

Monday 4th May 2026

Note 2026/27 Term dates are available on the school website and at https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/education-and-learning/school-term-and-holiday-dates

INSET days will not be available on the CWAC website but are on school's website.

Other Dates for your Diary (please also check the calendar on the website):

Monday 15th September – Year 5/6 Information Evening 5pm

Tuesday 16th September – Reception Information Evening 4pm

Wednesday 17th September – Year 1/2 Information Evening 4pm

Year 3/4 Information Evening 5pm

Monday 22nd September – Clubs to start

Monday 22nd September – Flu Immunisation

Friday 26th September – Macmillan Coffee Morning

Tuesday 14th October – Parents Evening 4pm to 7pm

Wednesday 15th October Parents Evening 4pm to 6.30pm

CHORISTER OPPORTUNITIES AT CHESTER CATHEDRAL

Chester Cathedral has vacancies for 4 boy choristers and 2 girl choristers to start in the Autumn term.

Choristership at Chester Cathedral is an incredible opportunity for a free musical education that lasts a lifetime. Our choristers learn great music, make friends across schools, and develop their creativity and independence. You can find out more about the benefits and commitments of being a chorister and view our prospectus at https://chestercathedral.com/participate/choirs.

To register your interest, please email **Philip Rushforth** on philip.rushforth@chestercathedral.com to request an informal audition. Typically, boys join the choir aged 6-8 and girls aged 9-10 but we are happy to hear from potential choristers of other ages.