

Parent E-Bulletin – Autumn Term Week Commencing 27th November 2023

Adverse Weather Procedure

Dear Parents and Carers

Please find below our procedure for dealing with extreme weather conditions or other emergencies that may occur affecting the opening of the school.

Firstly, I am obviously committed to minimising any disruption to the education of our learners and will always try to keep the school open and operational. There are, however, rare occasions when it may be necessary to close the school, fully or partially. These will usually be occasions when extreme weather or some other emergency means opening the school is not safe.

In the unlikely event of a closure, we will communicate quickly and as fully as possible with all members of the school community. This will be carried out as per the guidance below.

In the event of extreme weather / emergency prior to the start of the school day.

A decision will be made between 6.00 am and 7.00 am as to whether the school should be open or needs to be closed. In the event of closure, the school will, by 7.30am ensure that:

- An automated text or email message is sent to parents and staff via the SchoolComms system
- The school website has been updated
- An update is available on our twitter account
- Local media will be informed as appropriate

In the event of extreme weather / emergency during the school day.

If the school is open but exceptional conditions occur during the day, we will continually monitor the risks. It is very often safer to keep learners in school rather than closing the school. However, there may be cases where this is not possible.

Should the decision be taken to close the school we will inform parents via;

- An automated text or email message sent from the SchoolComms system
- A posting within the news section of the school website
- An update on our twitter account

We will also encourage learners to contact home. We understand that it may be difficult for some parents to collect their child and therefore contingency plans will be put in place to ensure that the school remains open, where possible, until all learners are collected.

We would hope that this situation does not happen. However, it is important that we share our planning with all members of the school community should an issue arise.

Yours faithfully

L Cummins

Headteacher

West Cheshire Foodbank Appeal

Dear Parent/Carer,

Last academic year we were delighted to have collected 377kg worth of provisions and a donation of £914.89 for West Cheshire Foodbank, which supplied enough provisions to feed around 80 people, 3 meals a day for a whole year.

Our Learner Leadership Team are again leading a collection for our local **Foodbank** (West Cheshire Foodbank). This will enable our staff and learners to display our Halls ethos of community, allowing them to understand that true giving is to those who can never repay them.

West Cheshire Foodbank provides help to local people who live below the poverty line in Chester and surrounding areas, providing emergency food to men, women, and children in crisis. The festive period can be a challenging time for families and we envisage this year in particular will bring even more difficulties for some.

We are asking our learners and staff where possible to get involved by bringing in one item from the list below and placing it in the box provided in their form room by **Monday 11th December**. Once the boxes are full, they will be collected and distributed by West Cheshire Foodbank.

Thank you in anticipation for your support and for making a difference this festive period.

 UHT Milk UHT Fruit Juice Tea Bags Instant Coffee Hot Chocolate Sugar (500g) Tinned Meat Tinned Fish Tinned Fish Tinned Potatoes Tinned Tomatoes Tinned/Instant Custard Tinned Fruit Tinned Beans Tinned Soup Jam/spreads 	 Cup a Soup Instant Noodles/Pasta Pasta Pasta Sauces Instant Mashed Potato Rice Biscuits or Snack Bars Cereals Tinned Desserts Tinned Rice Pudding Tinned Sponge Pudding Little Bars/Boxes of Chocolate Bags of Sweets Toiletries Nappies/Wipes
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If you would like to know more about West Cheshire Foodbank or know somebody who needs support details can be found on their website: <u>http://westcheshire.foodbank.org.uk/</u>.

If you have any questions regarding the appeal, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Miss M. Noel and the Learner Leadership Team

Children in Need

With your support we managed to raise a fantastic collective donation for Children in Need.



Careers and Next Steps

Click on the link below to see the latest information

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ab57VM41x7_yzr0Q19PUj0r4KoWn--X2iSfZR7KI_yc/edit?usp=sharing

Information from External Partners

Shared Via Cheshire West and Chester

Dear Parents/Carers,

Please use the following links to access a letter from the Director of Public Health:

MMR Letter to Parents and Carers

Measles - Don't let your child catch it





NHS Living Well Service



Free drop-in health and wellbeing service available near you!

Speak to a healthcare professional about your health,

Health checks - Covid Vaccinations - Flu Vaccinations - Mental wellbeing Support accessing other services

When?	Thursday 30 th November
Where?	Live! New Scene Centre Limewood Close Chester CH2 2HD
What time?	10.30 - 16.00

NHS

Cheshire and Wirral Partnership No appointment necessary



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