Weekly Bulletin no.107 Friday 5th September 2025



Welcome back everyone! We hope you all had a lovely summer break. We would like to say a huge, warm welcome to all of our new Darnhall families. The children have had a great first week back, settling into their classes, meeting their teachers and making new friends.

For any new families, you will have received a ParentPay letter. It is really important that you set this up as a lot of our school communication is sent through this app. Tapestry and Class Dojo are apps that we also use as a way of communicating key messages with parents and carers. Once you have received your email invite, please follow the steps to set these up.

To ALL children returning to school



If you see any of the following:

- Another child struggling to make friends
- A child being picked on
- A child who is new, shy, or not with the 'in crowd'
- A child who is eating lunch alone

Be a leader! Be a warrior!

Say hi. Smile at them.
Ask if you can sit with them.
Include them.
You never know what

You never know what that child is facing inside or outside school.

Wednesday 10th September

Swimming for Year 4

Friday 26th September

Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Afternoon

2pm—3pm

Children can buy Donuts for £1. Payment to be made in advance via ParentPay or cash can be brought in on the day.

*Orders cannot be taken over the phone.

Friday 3rd October

WORLD ANIMAL DAY

Nursery-Year 6 children - dress as an animal (no donations).

Endangered animal poster competition.

Read to an animal photo competition

Mr Baxendale has been blown away with the amount of children who completed the Winsford Summer Reading Challenge.

He is very proud and cannot wait to give out more reading buddies!



Who's who?

Here is a reminder of our Darnhall staff structure:

Mrs Tomlinson (Headteacher)

Mrs Miranda (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)

Mrs Jardine and Mrs Mulholland (Deputy Headteachers)

Mr Kindon and Mrs Chappell (Assistant Headteachers)

Mr Baxendale (Key Stage 2 Leader)

Mrs K Kitson (School Business Manager)

Mrs Harrop (Attendance and Office Manager)

Mrs Whyte (KS2 Office Admin)

Mrs Heaton (KS1 Office Admin)

We are here for you!

Look out for your child coming home with one of these 'Happy Note Home' notes as a reward for their good behaviour.



Happy Note Home A little note home to let you know that
Shown kindness to others Displayed beautiful manners Shown fantastic effort in lessons Worked well with others Participated in lessons and discussions Been extremely helpful Demonstrated wonderful behaviour and set a positive example to others Shown great improvement in their work Signed:

Here is the link to our

Wrap-around Care booking system

https://darnhall.childcare-online-booking.co.uk/

We offer Breakfast Club on both sites starting at 8am.

Home Hub After School Club takes place in the KS2 building and starts at 3:15pm until 6pm.

Our School Day



Nursery

(Ladybirds and Caterpillars)

Session 1: **8:30am - 11:30am** Session 2: **12:15pm - 3:15pm**

Reception, Year 1 & 2

School Day Begins: 8:30am

Morning Break: 10:30am - 10:45am

Lunchtime: 12:15pm - 1:00pm

School Day Ends: 3:10pm

Year 3, 4, 5 & 6

School Day Begins: 8:30am

Morning Break: 10:30am - 10:45am

Lunchtime: 12:15pm - 1:00pm

School Day Ends: 3:15pm



Owl Class

(Resource Provision)

School Day Begins: 8:30am

Morning Break: 10:30am - 10:45am

Lunchtime: 12:15pm - 1:00pm

School Day Ends: 3:00pm

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Darnhall Breakfast Club



Breakfast Club is offered on two sites 8:00am - 8:30am
For block bookings this is equivalent to £1 a day.
For occasional bookings it will be £1.50 a day.
Bookings are essential and can be made until 7pm the night before - they cannot be made the same day.

(We accept the Government Tax-free Childcare Payments)

 For children aged 3 to year 2 breakfast club is in the Early Years building on Darnhall School Lane.

 For children in years 3-6 Breakfast Club is in the Key Stage 2 building on Sandyhill Road.

Please note, this is only available for children aged 3 or above who are toilet trained. If your child has additional SEN needs, please discuss with our SENDCO before booking.

Booking for our
Breakfast Club will
need to be made via
the link on our
website:
www.darnhall.

www.darnhall. cheshire.sch.uk



Home Hub

Fun and Affordable After School Childcare Club



End of school day until **4:30pm** £7.75
End of school day until **5:00pm** £10.45
End of school day until **5:30pm** £13.15
End of school day until **6:00pm**

A 20% sibling discount will be offered to families with more than one child.

Open to children aged 3 or above who are toilet trained. If your child has additional SEN needs, please discuss with our SENDCO before booking.

You will have to book and pay in advance on an online booking service – details are on our website.

Bookings can be made until 7pm the night before – they can not be made the same day.

Limited places so book in advance to avoid disappointment!

This childcare provision is run by school staff on the Key Stage 2 Sandyhill Road site.

(We accept the Government Tax-free Childcare Payments)



Name it or lose it!





We ask that **ALL** school uniform items including shoes, water bottles and lunch boxes are name labelled please.





Autumn Term 2025 Uniform Time Table



Class	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Ladybird Nursery	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform
Caterpillar Nursery	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Forest School
Butterfly Class	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform
Dragonfly Class	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform
Centipede Class	Uniform	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit
Grasshopper Class	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform
Bumblebee Class	Uniform	PE Kit (until half term) Uniform (after half term)	Forest School (ëvery week after half term)	Uniform	PE Kit
Spider Class	PE Kit	Uniform	Forest School (every week up until half term)	Uniform (until half term) PE Kit (after half term)	Uniform
Beaver Class	Uniform	Uniform	PE Kit	Forest School (every week after half term)	PE Kit (until half term) (after half term)
Hedgehog Class	PE Kit	Uniform	Uniform (until half term) PE Kit (after half term)	Forest School (every week up until half term)	Uniform
Otter Class	PE Kit	Uniform	Uniform (bring Swimming Kit)	Uniform	Uniform
Rabbit Class	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform (bring Swimming Kit)	PE Kit	Uniform
Squirrel Class	PE Kit	PE Kit	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform
Fox Class	Uniform	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit
Badger Class	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform
Bear Class	Uniform	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit
Owl Class	Outdoor Learning Uniform	Outdoor Learning Uniform	Outdoor Learning Uniform (PE Day)	Outdoor Learning Uniform (PE Day)	Outdoor Learning Uniform

School Uniform

You can purchase our school uniform from our supplier – Julie Clare

Logo Wear – which is located on Winsford's Market on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

Cold Weather Uniform

- Ladybird Nursery Red Polo Shirts
- Caterpillar Nursery Green Polo Shirts
- Reception to Year 5 Pale Blue or Yellow Polo Shirts
- Year 6 Pale Blue Shirt and Tie
- Grey skirt, shorts or trousers
- Navy Fleece, jumper or cardigan
- Grey socks or Tights
- Black school shoes or plain black trainers











Hot Weather and PE Uniform

- Pale Blue T-shirt
- Navy skort, shorts or jogging pants
- Navy fleece
- Navy socks or white socks
- (Or Blue checked summer dresses for non-PE days)





Owl Class Uniform and Optional Outdoor Learning

- Green T-shirt
- Green Hoodie
- Navy Jogging Pants
- Navy shorts

(Owl class are outside a lot of time so this uniform is the most practical for them and can be worn every day for all lessons).







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Holiday Dates 2025/2026



HOLIDAY PERIOD	DATE OF CLOSING	DATE OF RE-OPENING	
Autumn Term		Wednesday 3rd September 2025	
Autumn Half Term	Friday 24th October 2025	Tuesday 4th November 2025	
Christmas	Thursday 18th December 2025	Monday 5th January 2026	
Spring Half Term	Friday 13th February 2026	Monday 23rd February 2026	
Spring Break	Wednesday 1st April 2026	Monday 20th April 2026	
May Day Weekend	Friday 1st May 2026	Tuesday 5th May 2026	
Summer Half Term	Friday 22nd May 2026	Tuesday 2nd June 2026	
Summer	Wednesday 22nd July 2026		

Inset Days 2025/2026

Monday 1st September 2025 Friday 19th December 2025 Tuesday 2nd September 2025 Monday 3rd November 2025

Monday 1st June 2026

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CBT GROUP INTERVENTIONS FOR PARENTS OF ANXIOUS CHILDREN

Cheshire and Wirral Partnership

AUTUMN 2025 GROUPS

free NHS group interventions for parents.

Triple P Fear-Less & Timid 2 Tiger

For parents/carers of school aged children 6 to 14 years with moderate anxiety issues. Triple P Fear Less & Timid 2 Tiger are evidence based interventions delivered over 6-9 weeks and includes understanding about anxiety, learning to encourage your child's coping skills to manage their anxiety; building on problems solving skills and gaining confidence as a parent supporting your child.

Triple P Fear-Less Group

HOW?

6 sessions Wednesdays 9:30 - 11:30am

WHEN?

08/10, 15/10, 22/10, 05/11/, 12/11, 19/11 No session during halfterm break. WHERE? Online Group Via MS Teams

Timid To Tiger Group

HOW? 9 sessions Fridays 10-12pm WHEN?

03/10, 10/10,17/10, 24/10,31/10,07/11,14/11, 21/11, 28/11/ No session during halfterm WHERE? Online Group Via MS teams

Support, Friendly nonjudgemental Parents/carers MUST register to attend one of the registration sessions to meet with a practitioner to discuss suitability for the group.

You can access this through scanning the QR code below and booking yourself into an appointment slot.

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