



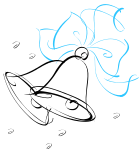
Woodfall News

15 May 2014



Congratulations

We are pleased to announce that Mrs Harrahill had a baby boy called Laurence James at 11.21am on Friday 9 May, he weighed in at 6lb 1oz. Mum, Dad and baby are doing well!



Wedding Day Wishes

Best wishes to Miss Laura Pulling who will be getting married during the half term holiday. In June she will return as Mrs Snelgrove.



Homework Club

Just to remind all children and parents that we offer a Homework Club on a Monday morning from 8.15am. Children and parents may come together, or just children. Please feel free to use the Homework Club to meet your needs: you could use the club to clarify a particular aspect of learning or use it on a weekly basis.

Your Feedback

If you have any queries or comments to make about any of the items on this newsletter, please contact Mrs Hough, Mrs Bramham or Mrs Hogg in the School Office.

Woodfall Spring Term Writing competition 'Changes'

Well done to all children who submitted entries into the Woodfall Spring Term 'Changes' writing competition. There were some very interesting and original ideas including: a description of a sunset; a description of a football stadium before during and after the match; the changes experienced when a cake is baked, from the perspective of the ingredients and a piece about how the discovery of a new hobby changed one pupil's life. All entries have been collated into a book on display in the Junior corridor, please find time to have a look. The next competition will be announced in June. Miss Nuttall

Winners

Year 5/6 - Hannah Williams 5M

Year 3/4 - Josh Mackenzie 4G

Year R/1/2 - Eva Atkinson 1S

Runners-up

Year 5/6 - Chloe Ramage 5M

Milly Andrews 6S

Year 3/4 - Zoe Leighton 4P

Jasmine Rogers 4G

Year R/1/2 - Amelia Williams RBT

Helena Hinch 2RL



Zimbabwe Day - Friday 23 May 2014

As part of our Zimbabwe Day on Friday 23 May, we are asking the children to come into school dressed in a combination of the colours from the Zimbabwe Flag - black, red, yellow, green or white. Each child is asked to bring in a suggested donation of £1, which we are going to use to buy reading books for Warren Park 4 Primary School in Harare, Zimbabwe.

Holiday Dates 2014 – 2015

HOLIDAY PERIOD	DATE OF CLOSING	DATE OF RE-OPENING
SUMMER 2014	WEDNESDAY 23 JULY 2014	TUESDAY 2 SEPTEMBER 2014
AUTUMN HALF TERM 2014	FRIDAY 24 OCTOBER 2014	TUESDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2014
CHRISTMAS 2014/15	FRIDAY 19 DECEMBER 2014	MONDAY 5 JANUARY 2015
SPRING HALF TERM 2015	FRIDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2015	MONDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2015
EASTER 2015	THURSDAY 2 APRIL 2015	MONDAY 20 APRIL 2015
MAY DAY 2015 - MONDAY 4 MAY 2015		
SUMMER HALF TERM 2015	FRIDAY 22 MAY 2015	MONDAY 1 JUNE 2015
SUMMER 2015	FRIDAY 17 JULY 2015	

INSET DAYS

MONDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2014

MONDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2014

THURSDAY 4 JUNE 2015

MONDAY 20 JULY 2015

TUESDAY 21 JULY 2015

School Attendance Regulations

It is now approaching 12 months since we first wrote to you informing you of the change in the School Attendance Regulations 2006 with regard to term time holidays. Link to DfE website:

<http://www.education.gov.uk/schools/pupilsupport/behaviour/attendance/a00223868/regulations-admentments>

The amendments to the 2006 regulations make it clear that Headteachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Please note that the LA will issue fixed penalty fines to families on return from unauthorised holidays during term time.

The purpose of these changes are to ensure that children are not missing school and thus vital learning opportunities, which often cannot be caught up quickly. By ensuring your child attends school every day you are maximising his/her potential.

May we also take this opportunity to remind all parents that registration commences at 8.55am with the first lesson beginning at 9.00am. Any child arriving after this time is late and will be missing valuable schooling. We are currently working with the Education Welfare Officer (EWO) to look at reasons for late arrivals.

Summer Term Dairy Dates 2014

May		
Monday	12	KS2 SATS & KS1 SATS Week
Tuesday	13	1.30pm - Y4 Swimming
Thursday	15	8.00am Judo (4 of 5) – Infant Hall Rotakids Cake Sale
Friday	16	Y6 Alton Towers 10.00am 4G & Y5 Choir Neston Town Hall to record Ladies Day Anthem
Monday	19	Y6 World War 2 Day 6.30pm Swimming Gala - EPIC
Tuesday	20	10.30am Neston Parish Church Assembly (Juniors) 1.15-3.15pm Brass music lessons (Groups A, B, C & D) 1.30pm - Y4 Swimming 7.30pm PA Fashion Show (Doors open at 7.00pm)
Wednesday	21	2.00pm Reading Workshop for reception parents No brass music lessons
Thursday	22	8.00am Judo (5 of 5) 1.30pm Tri Golf at Willaston
Friday	23	Infant Cake Sale Non Uniform Day – Zimbabwe Day 9.00-11.00am NHS to visit Y6 transferring in Sept 2014 10.00-11.45am – Brass lessons (Groups E, F, G & H) School Closes for Half-Term
26 – 30 May HALF - TERM		
June		
Monday	2	1.00pm Y2 - Mini Beasts Talk from Chester Zoo 1.15pm Y6 Personal Safety Course - Junior Hall (6B) 2.15pm Y6 Personal Safety Course - Junior Hall (6S)
Tuesday	3	Y6 DT Workshop 1.30pm Y4 Swimming 1.00-4.00pm Kwik cricket at NCC 3.30pm Y2 Delamere Meeting for parents
Thursday	5	Inset Day - School closed to pupils
Monday	9	10.30am Adrian Derbyshire – Junior Assembly – Disability Awareness 1.15-3.15pm – Woodfall’s Got Talent (Jnr Hall – whole school) 6.30-8.00pm – New Intake (September 2014) Parents Meeting
Tuesday	10	9.15am e-safety talk for parents (Junior Hall) 10.30am Neston Parish Church Assembly – Juniors 1.30 – 3.00pm New Intake Visit (1/2 the class) (1) 1.30pm Y2 Swimming (1 of 5) 3.45pm Y3/4 Athletics Festival – Burton Bishop Wilson (TBC)
Wednesday	11	Y3 Cake Sale 10.00am - Y3 Giant Walking Bus
Thursday	12	Hayley Foster’s morning group to Chester Zoo with Rotary Club 1.15 – 2.30pm New Intake Visit (1/2 the class) (1)
Friday	13	Sports Day
Monday	16	Maths Day – KS2
Tuesday	17	1.30 – 3.00pm New Intake Visit (1/2 the class) (2) 1.30pm Y2 Swimming (2 of 5)
Thursday	19	Maths Day – KS1 9.30am-11.30am Y1/2 Potted Sports @ KS1 Mini Games 1.30 – 3.00pm New Intake Visit (1/2 the class) (2)
Saturday	21	Cheerleading Competition - Manchester

June (Cont'd)		
Monday	23	Music Enrichment Day – Childer Thornton PS (Day 1) ECO Club Visit to Claremont Farm & Woodpark Farm (all day)
Tuesday	24	Music Enrichment Day – Childer Thornton PS (Day 2) 10.30am Neston Parish Church Assembly (Juniors) 1.30 – 3.00pm New Intake Visit (whole class) 1.30pm Y2 Swimming (3 of 5) 3.30pm Chess Tournament – Parkgate Primary School
Wednesday	25	2KT to Delamere 1.00-3.00pm Swimming Gala – NHS (10 students)
Thursday	26	2L to Delamere 2KT return from Delamere
Friday	27	CH64 Games – NHS (15 students) 2L return from Delamere
Saturday	28	Possible Summer Fair
July		
Tuesday	1	1.15 – 3.00pm – New Intake (all pupils) 1.30pm Y2 Swimming (4 of 5)
Monday	7	Last week of Summer Term School Clubs and Activities
Tuesday	8	10.30am Neston Parish Church Assembly (Juniors) 1.30pm Y2 Swimming (5 of 5)
Friday	11	Woodwind Exams
Saturday	12	Woodwind Exams
Monday	14	7.00pm Full Governing Body Meeting
Thursday	17	1.00pm Y6 Dress Rehearsal - Junior pupils
Friday	18	9.30am Y6 Dress Rehearsal – Infant pupils
Monday	21	6.00pm Y6 Leavers Performance
Tuesday	22	Y6 Beach Trip 10.30am Neston Parish Church Assembly (Juniors)
Wednesday	23	School Closes for Summer Holidays

Just to remind you we have an open invitation for you to contact us regarding queries and / or problems. Please help us by letting us try to help straight away, rather than letting things build-up. Thank you.



PASSPORT TO NESTON **19 - 21 August 2014**



Year 6 children who are entering Year 7 at Neston High School are invited to take part in a 3 day Summer School 'Passport to Neston' between 19th and 21st August.

As part of the 'PASSPORT TO NESTON' students will take part in a variety of activities:

P - Performing Arts (Dance & Drama)

S - Sport

A - Art

S - Science

Children are grouped together into their tutor groups, giving them a chance to meet new friends, whilst familiarising themselves with members of staff, facilities and begin some of the activities that they will undertake in September. The cost is £60, however children registered for Free School Meals can take part for free. Additionally this year, children attending Passport to Neston who are registered for free school meals will also receive a voucher for a school blazer.

Children in Year 4 and 5 are also welcome to take part in our 'Aspire to Neston' Scheme.

Full details of 'Passport to Neston' and 'Aspire to Neston' along with registration forms are available on Neston High School's website: <http://www.nestonhigh.cheshire.sch.uk/passport-to-Neston> The deadline for applications is **Monday 14 July 2014**.