

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 27th March 2026

World Poetry Day



For World Poetry Day, the entire school came together to learn and perform poems, turning the day into a vibrant celebration of creativity and expression.

Children not only explored the meaning and rhythm of poetry, but also brought it to life through confident and engaging performances. The experience helped develop important skills such as teamwork, communication, and public speaking, while also encouraging creativity and expression.

There was a real sense of excitement and pride as everyone took part, making it a memorable and inspiring day for the whole school.

"I loved performing the poem to the class"

"It was great to see all children taking part and using their voice to perform confidently"

Team Westminster

Upcoming Events



Monday 30th March to Wednesday 1st April

Year 3 Laches Wood Residential

Monday 30th March

Easter Family Workshop
9.00 am to 10.00 am

Wednesday 1st April

Own Clothes Day - £1 donation on ParentPay

TERM ENDS: Wednesday 1st April 2026

Spring Break: Thursday 2nd April to Friday 17th April (includes Easter Bank Holidays)

TERM RE-STARTS: Monday 20th April 2026

Tuesday 21st April

Reception and Year 6 Group Photos

Friday 24th April

Year 2 Swimming

Friday 24th April

Westminster Sleepover – details to follow
(EYFS to Year 6)

This Week's Attendance



92.48%

Don't forget to follow us!



Westminster Community
Primary School



@WestminsterPrimary

If you would like to find out about any aspect of our school in more detail then please get in touch.

You can email me at:

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Miss E Dunn

Great news! 🎉

Vara Sports and Education will be running an exciting **Sports Camp at Westminster Primary School** this Easter. Please see the poster attached for full details.

🏀 Westminster Multi-Sports Camp

📍 Westminster Primary School

📅 13th – 16th April

🕒 9:00am – 1:00pm

👤👤 Ages 5–11

💷 £13 per day or £40 for the full 4 days

🍏 FREE for eligible families through the HAF programme

Our camps are designed to give children a **fun, active and engaging holiday experience**, with sports, games, challenges, prizes and lots of opportunities to make new friends in a safe environment led by our experienced Vara staff.

🍏 **HAF funded spaces can be booked here:**

<https://eequ.org/book/vara-sports-camp-or-westminster-primary-eport-with-vara-sports-and-education-18280>

📄 **Book paid spaces here:**

<https://vara-sports.classforkids.io>

Spaces can fill quickly during school holidays, so **early booking is recommended.**

We look forward to welcoming lots of Westminster children for a fantastic holiday camp.

Best wishes

Vara Sports & Education

Update from Cheshire West and Chester Council

Important information for Families receiving Free School Meals

Families receiving Free School Meals, who previously got automatic payments (Food Vouchers) during the school holidays, will now need to apply to the Crisis and Resilience fund for support during a financial crisis.

Families can request support of £15 per week per school age child to help cover the costs of food during the school holiday periods if they are struggling to meet these additional food costs.

[School Holiday Support Payment | Cheshire West and Chester Council - https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/benefits-and-welfare-help/cost-of-living/crisis-and-resilience-fund/school-holiday-support-payment](https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/benefits-and-welfare-help/cost-of-living/crisis-and-resilience-fund/school-holiday-support-payment)
(the link to apply will be sent to you via text message)

While we will do our best to process applications as quickly as possible, if there is a high volume of applications, the Council cannot guarantee that approved funding will be paid by 2 April 2026. To help us prioritise your request, **please submit your application by 25 March 2026**. You can still apply after this date, but it may be less likely that your payment will be made by 2 April 2026.

To apply for support, you will be required to create an online account. Once logged in, if you are not taken directly to the application page, you can find this application by using quick code **307B8L**.

If you're not in receipt of Free Schools Meals but need help with a sudden financial crisis, you can apply for the Crisis and Resilience Fund from 1 April. More information about the Crisis and Resilience Fund, and how to apply from 1 April 2026, can be found here:

[Crisis and Resilience Fund | Cheshire West and Chester Council - https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/benefits-and-welfare-help/cost-of-living/crisis-and-resilience-fund](https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/benefits-and-welfare-help/cost-of-living/crisis-and-resilience-fund)

Get support now

If families require support now, they can also visit the Council's cost of living support webpages which bring together information about financial help, advice services, and emergency assistance:

<https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/benefits-and-welfare-help/cost-of-living>

There is also support available through the Holiday Activities and Food Fund (HAF): [Cheshire West Holiday Activities and Food \(HAF\) Programme | Cheshire West and Chester Council](#)

And on Live Well Cheshire West where residents can search for a range of services including food provision, activities, and more: [Home | Live Well Cheshire West](#)

We are holding a drop in session on Tuesday 31st March 2026 – if you need any support to apply, feel free to come along to the school hall at 10.00 am to 11.00 am and we will try to help you.

Story Sacks

for R, Y1, Y2, Y3 children with parents/carers



Story Sacks

During this FREE 3-session course you will create a story sack for your child. Each week, work together to make things to go in the bag. You will link stories with your child's early learning and develop your creative skills.

You will receive a free book and the story sack to take home with you at the end of the course.

Refreshments included. Free when parents/carers complete a short form.

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Primary School
John Street
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Monday and
Wednesday

27 April, 6 May,
18 May 2026

9-11am

Book your
place at
the school
office



Easter services *especially for all ages*

Good Friday

10 am St Thomas Church

Interactive service with crafts , prayers and reflections.

Easter Sunday

10:45 St Thomas Church

All age communion and Easter egg hunt!

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