



Wood Memorial C.P. School Ysgol Gynradd Wood Memorial

'From little acorns, mighty Oaks grow'



Kindness



Determination



Nurture



Respect



Integrity

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Mrs Broome...

A reminder that school will be closed next Friday, 9th October, so that our school community can attend Mrs Broome's funeral service. This will take place on Friday 9th October, midday at St Ann's Church, Vale Road, Rhyl. Sarah's family have invited school staff and anyone connected to our Wood Memorial school community. The decision to close on October 9th will allow staff and our community to attend her funeral service, and have time and space to grieve and pay their respects.

So that the children can celebrate all the wonderful things about Mrs Broome, we have arranged lots of lovely activities for next Thursday. Children will be able to choose different activities across the school, all inspired by the things Mrs Broome loved.

Later this term, on October 23rd, we will be raising money for charities who supported Mrs Broome throughout her cancer battle. We are asking children to attend school that day wearing something pink, and will organise some fun things to take part in. Parents, carers and families will also be invited to school as part of this day for a drop in café. Further details will be provided closer to the 23rd October.

School Modernisation... future of Wood Memorial

The draft consultation report which will be discussed at the Council's Cabinet on Tuesday, 06 October 2026, along with all papers for the meeting are available on the Council's website and can be accessed via the following link:

<https://committeemeetings.flintshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=391&MId=6255&Ver=4&LL=0>

At the Cabinet meeting, a decision will be taken on whether to continue with the current statutory process or to cease the proposal. A continuation of the process would involve the publication of a statutory notice and the opening of an objection period.



Extra-Curricular Clubs

Extra-Curricular Clubs take place each Tuesday, starting straight after school and end at 16:00. Year 1-2 clubs will start a little later in the academic year. To reserve a place at one of our extra-curricular clubs, please complete the following form: <https://forms.gle/iiXu1Pydut2p4ZAL6>

Safety around our school grounds

I have shared this message many times previously, but we are still receiving calls from neighbours and local residents regarding the issue. On behalf of the children, neighbours, staff and everyone visiting the school – ***please do not park across residents' driveways, in the resident bays of the flats, or illegally on the road or paths.*** This also includes the turning island at the front of the school or across the school gates; it is incredibly dangerous and creates unnecessary risks for school visitors. Residents have been advised to report parking offenses to the relevant authorities.

There are a number of unused spaces on the Anchor Car Park every day; please use them and then walk along the Learners Way path. Please be considerate of others too when on the school yard. Bikes and scooters should not be ridden on school grounds as this can lead to avoidable accidents. E-scooters are illegal to use in Wales in public spaces - please do not bring them to school. We want everyone who visits Wood Memorial to remain safe and we need everyone's support to make Woody a safe space.

Woody Wraparound – Limited Places!

Please see the timetable below for Woody Wraparound activities taking place throughout October. Book early to avoid disappointment as places are limited!

October's after school club activities				
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
			1 Rainbow crafts	2 Sports games
5 Stick puppets	6 Hot chocolate making and autumn movie	7 Orange tealight painting	8 Baking carrot cake (without nuts)	9 School is closed Spend the day with loved ones
12 Treasure hunt challenge	13 Cafe and shop games	14 Fruit Kebabs	15 Yoga	16 Spooky pizza making
19 Neon spider web craft	20 Apple hunt/ making chocolate apples	21 Pumpkin carving	22 Autumn crafts	23 Halloween games
Half term week: 26/10 - 30/10				

Reception & High School 2021 Admissions

Please see the posters below regarding applications for 2027 Reception Class and High School.

Key Information, Events & Dates

Term dates can be found here: <https://shorturl.at/XfWbS>

Monday 5 th Oct	Kindness Challenge Week
Friday 9 th October	School Closed - Mrs Broome's Funeral Service
Tuesday 13 th October	Flu Immunisations
Friday 16 th October	Wear Red Day
Friday 23 rd October	Wear Pink Day (and last day of term)

Woody Wraparound & Breakfast Club

We have breakfast club, a playgroup and after school club on site offering childcare from 7:50 – 17:30. To book a place on breakfast club, please use the Gateway app. To book a place in Woody Wraparound, please book via the School Gateway app at least 24 hours in advance. **ALL** payments and bookings must be made via the app. To contact Mrs Elson for anything else, please email woodywraparound@gmail.com or phone 07831811718. Current session times and prices can be found at <https://shorturl.at/mslUV>

Sickness Absence & Holiday Requests

If needing to report your child absent from school or request holiday authorisation, please email Mrs Ridge at ridgea3@hwbmil.net. Alternatively, please call the school office to report absences.

School Essentials Grant & Free School Meals

All children from Reception to Year 6 in Wales receive Free School Meals (FSMs). However, if you think you may be eligible to receive FSMs, we are still advising parents to apply for FSMs, because you may be eligible to other benefits such as the School Essentials Grant (SEG). You may also be entitled to help towards payments for residential school trips. Please click the link below for further details: <https://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Council-Tax-and-Benefits-and-Grants/Free-School-Meals-and-School-Essentials-Grants.aspx>

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is the responsibility of all adults - everyone has a responsibility to keep children safe. **Do you have a safeguarding concern? If so, it needs to be reported!** The school Designated Safeguarding Person at Wood Memorial is Mr Johnson, Headteacher. The Deputy Designated Safeguarding Person is Mrs Spencer. Our Chair of Governors is Mrs Nicola Gittins. You can contact Flintshire Social Services directly on 01352 701000 or out of hours 0845 0533116. In an emergency contact the Police 999.





Admission to Reception Class September 2027

Was your child born between
1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023?
Will they have reached the age of 4
by August 31st, 2027?

If so your child will have the opportunity to start in
reception class in September 2027.



If you are unsure which is your closest school, you can contact admissions@flintshire.gov.uk or school.transport@flintshire.gov.uk for more information about eligibility for free transport.



Step 01 Choosing a school

Before making your application:

- Visit school Open Days and read individual school prospectuses.
- Read the Parent's Guide to Education Services in Flintshire 2027.
- Check the Local Authority's over subscription criteria an admission process.
- Consider how you will get your child to school.



Scan QR code to apply

Step 03 Apply Online

[Admission to Reception Class](#)
(Primary School) (September 2027)

Step 02 Key Dates



Applications Open	21st September 2026
Applications Close	15th January 2027
Parents Notified	16th April 2027



Step 04 Late Applications

- It is possible to submit an online application after the closing date.
- If you apply after the 15 January 2027 deadline but by 23 February 2027, your application will be classed as late and considered after all on time applications.
- Applications received after 23 February 2027 will not be processed until after the national offer date on 16 April 2027.



Need Help?

Support with completing
your application is
available from **Flintshire
Connects.**

Full information:



Parent's Guide to
Education Services
in Flintshire 2027





Is your child starting secondary school in September 2027?

Applications open 1 September 2026
Apply online by 31 October 2026



Step 01 Choosing a school

Before making your application:

- Visit school Open Days and read individual school prospectuses.
- Read the Parent's Guide to Education Services in Flintshire 2027.
- Check the Local Authority's over subscription criteria and admission process.
- Consider how you will get your child to school.



Step 03 Apply Online

Admission to Secondary School
(Year 7 September 2027)

Step 02 Key Dates



Applications Open	1st September 2026
Applications Close	31st October 2026
Parents Notified	1st March 2027



Step 04 Late Applications

- It is possible to submit an online application after the closing date.
- If you apply after the 31 October 2026 deadline but by 4 January 2027, your application will be classed as late and considered after all on time applications.
- Applications received after 4 January 2027 will not be processed until after the national offer date on 1 March 2027.



Need Help?

Support with completing your application is available from **Flintshire Connects**.



School Transport

- Free school transport is normally only provided to the nearest suitable secondary school where the distance is more than 3 miles, subject to the Council's policy.
- If, as a result of your school preference, your child attends a school that is not the nearest suitable school recognised by Flintshire County Council, you will be responsible for all transport costs and arrangements.
- Do not base your school preference on the availability of public transport, as routes and capacity are not guaranteed.

If you are unsure which is your closest school, you can contact admissions@flintshire.gov.uk or school.transport@flintshire.gov.uk for more information about eligibility for free transport.

Full information:



Parent's Guide to Education Services in Flintshire 2027



School Transport Application and Eligibility Criteria



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Are you worried about the increasing costs of starting back to school?

If you're in receipt of a
means tested or disability
benefit, you may be
entitled to help towards
your water bills.



You could
get up to
£300 off
your annual
water bill

We're here to help

Call us to talk through your
options: **0800 052 0145**

Visit us online for more information:
dwrcymru.com/extrahelp

