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The Ellenbrook News

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Important Diary Dates

June 2024

- * 26th Alton Towers Y6
- * 26th-28th Transition days
- * 27th PTA Summer Disco

July 2024

- * 4th Y6 Alberts Meal
- * 8-12th Y6 Newby Whiske
- * 12th Non-uniform sweet cups)
- * 13th PTA School Fair

Give A Little Respect.....!

How was your week? It's been a very busy one at Ellenbrook with lots going on and lots of progress being made across the school. Like some of the children I was lucky enough to see one of my favourite artists at Anfield last week and when I was watching Taylor it did make me think a great deal about respect and the power of valuing the fact that we are all very different people. It's been our assembly theme this week and the children have reflected in thoughtful time about how they feel when they are treated differently, which were very good.

This week the Year 6 children took part in the Salford School's Athletics tournament and I am so incredibly proud to report they returned as large school winners which is a fantastic achievement. It's the first time we have won this trophy since I have been Head teacher at Ellenbrook and I am so pleased for the team who performed magnificently according to Mrs. Baird and Miss Jancy. Really well done and what a fantastic achievement just a few weeks before the end of term and end of their time at Ellenbrook.

I also want to take time this week to thank the couple of parents who have contacted me about the change we have made to our homework policy. I do want to start by saying the change to the policy does not mean we are valuing writing less, the change has come about due to us changing our Maths scheme to Red Rose. We want to make sure we are doing all we can to embed the children's understanding of number and that's why we have changed the current system. We will be reviewing the policy in September however.

Lastly, just a couple of little things to mention, the first being the parent governor election which I mentioned last week. The Governors are just finalising the skills audit we need to complete before we send the letter out and I am hopeful this will be done by next week. Secondly, a big thank you to everyone who completed our recent communications survey earlier in the term. Your feedback was very useful and we will be writing to you soon about the actions we will be taking. Have a great weekend! Mr. Blackburn & the Ellenbrook Staff



Weekly Attendance

Our attendance figure for this week is

95.5%

ME, MYSELF & !!
Thought for the Week
WE ARE ALL
DIFFERENT...RESPECT
THAT

Updates from the Office....

- ⇒ When a child comes into school through the office if they are either late or have been to an appointment you **MUST** sign them in with a reason.
- ⇒ **Parents please can we remind you that you MUST inform the office if your child is unwell and not attending school. This can be done either via Weduc Absence reporting or the Telephone Absence Line**
- ⇒ Please make sure that if your child has any medicines/inhalers which are kept in school that they are up to date and you have completed a medical permission form for this academic year.
- ⇒ Any letters, slips or forms can be posted in the white post box attached to the wall outside the school office. This box is checked regularly during the day.
- ⇒ If your child is attending an independent school for an entrance exam can we ask that you complete a leave of absence form and return it to the office. This absence will be authorised by the school.

Thoughtful time

This week we have been thinking about...respecting difference!

1. Have you ever felt different to other people?

Everyday I feel different to others because everyone has different thoughts and views in life, but we should all still be treated the same way.

2. Do you respect people who are different to you?

Of course, I respect others who are different since they bring new and different things into my life as well as new ideas and new cultures.

3. How do you feel when people treat you differently?

I feel a bit offended because even though I am different to you that doesn't mean that I should have less or more respect than you because we are all equal. **Year 5 Peel**

1. Have you ever felt different to other people?

Yes I have, I am treated younger than my age by my parents and my friends are now grown up.

2. Do you respect people who are different to you?

I try hard to but it is humanly impossible not to judge someone the first time you meet them.

3. How do you feel when people treat you differently?

I feel angry and I think bad things in my mind and I argue back a lot and make cutting remarks. **Year 6 Peel**

1. Have you ever felt different to other people?

Yes because I am the only person in my family that likes football and I'm a girl.

2. Do you respect people who are different to you?

Yes because everybody should be equal and that how to treat people everywhere.

3. How do you feel when people treat you differently?

Embarrassed and sad because everyone is playing and I am on my own. **Year 2 Ellesmere**



HOUSE POINTS

BRIDGEWATER	ELLESMERE	LOWRY	PEEL
738	715	742	735

The winner of this weeks' house point challenge was.....

PEEL

Things to Remember

- Please can you let the office know if your child is going home with another adult before pick up. Can we also ask you to make sure they are aware of the school's collection arrangements.
- Please remember we need two weeks notice if your child is changing from school meals to packed lunch and vice versa. Please do not change without informing the office.



Letter sent this week.....

This week we have sent letters for...

- ⇒ PTA Disco tickets
- ⇒ Y6 Leavers Book reminder
- ⇒ Parents Evening Survey
- ⇒ Coding club cancelled all term



See Saw

I was informed this week that a number of parents may not have a login for Seesaw.

We are moving more and more work onto Seesaw and it would be a shame for anyone to miss out on seeing the fabulous work that has been uploaded.

If you don't have a Seesaw login please speak to the office and they can provide you with one.

Athletics

A massive well done to our incredible Year 6 athletics team that brought home the large school shield from the Salford school's Athletics tournament in Tuesday.

This is a massive achievement and it's the first time since I have been Head teacher at Ellenbrook that we have won this trophy.

It is also a very fitting way for the Year 6 children to sign out on their time at Ellenbrook!



In the classroom this week.....

Nursery!

Nursery have shared the story Dear Zoo. We explored the words the author had used to describe the animals. We then painted our favourite zoo animals and had a go at using our phonics to identify and form sounds in their names [#EllenbrookNursery](#)

Reception

[#Receptionjuniper](#) and [#Receptionhazel](#) had a special visit from Zayaan's dad to teach us all about Eid ul-Adha. We loved hearing about how Eid is celebrated and absolutely loved the delicious cakes. [#Eid](#)

Year 1!

[#YearOneFir](#) practicing their automaticity with a counting choir ready for their homework! Counting backwards was much more tricky! [#YearOneAsh](#) have been practising their racket skills with Miss Jancy during their PE session

Year 2!

[#year2birch](#) had a great music lesson on African recall, we explored timbre and notation![#year2willow](#) have been very busy today subtracting with exchanges in maths and exploring timbre in music See Seesaw for photographs of our work.

Year 3!

This afternoon, for our new DT topic, structures, [#year3cedar](#) are designing their own castle which include all the features a good castle should have.

[#DT](#) [#structures](#)

Year 4!

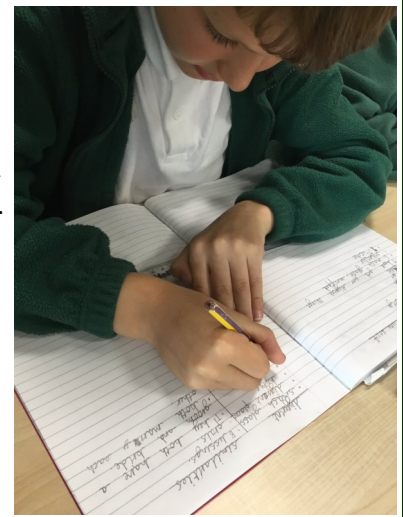
[#Year4Maple](#) are recognising similarities and differences between a Christian and Jewish weddings in RE this afternoon.

Year 5!

[#Year5Elm](#) enjoyed PE in the sun this afternoon!

Year 6!

[#Year6voyagers](#) are beginning to create their wire flower sculptures. [#EllenbrookArt](#) [#Sculptures](#)



CLUBS

KEY STAGE / YEAR GROUP	DAY	ACTIVITY
YEARS 3&4	TUESDAY (3.30-4.30pm)	Athletics
YEARS 1&2	WEDNESDAY (8-8.45am)	Rounders
YEARS 5&6	THURSDAY (3.30-4.30PM)	Athletics
YEARS 1&2	FRIDAY (3.30 – 4.30pm)	Athletics