



A Very Special Coffee Morning.....!

How has your week been? We have had a fantastic week at Ellenbrook, despite the weather!, and topped it off with a brilliant languages day on Thursday. These opportunities are so important to the children’s education and they are experiences they will hopefully remember for a very long time. I wonder if you have vivid memories of things you did when you were at primary school? I know I can remember it very well, not that we had a day like languages day though.

Our whole assembly theme this week is based on respect. Each week we have been looking at different aspects of respect and the children have demonstrated a very clear understanding of what respect is and as a staff we are working to help the children show respect in everything they do when at school. Respect is so important in life and as a school we very much respect the relationships we have with you as parents and I hope you feel the same way about staff at Ellenbrook.

This week saw our seventh Macmillan coffee morning and I want to say a big thank you to you for supporting this event each year. If, like me, your family has been touched by cancer, you know just how important the role of this charity is and it’s great as a school to be able to make such a contribution.



Whatever your plans are, I hope you all have a really amazing weekend and I will catch up with you on next weeks’ newsletter.....!

Mr Blackburn & the Ellenbrook Staff

Weekly Attendance

Our attendance figures for this week are

Attendance

96.7%

Unauthorised absence

1.1%



RESPECT
Do you respect
The voice of
Others



‘Listen to others more than you speak nobody learned anything by hearing themselves speak’

RICHARD BRANSON

Important Diary Dates

October 2024

- * 3rd Flu vaccination catch up session
- * 7th Individual and sibling photos
- * 8th Y3 Liverpool museum
- * 14th-18th Y6 bikeability
- * 21st school closes 3.30
- * 28th school re-opens 8.55
- * 28-1st Nov Y6 bikeability

November 2024

- * 18th Prospective parents open morning 10.30
- * 21st Prospective parents opening evening 5.00

December 2024

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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 the voice of others

1. Do you always let others talk?

Not all the time because if I am talking and my brother starts talking over me I get really mad and I don't let him talk.

2. Do people you know let you talk?

They don't always because if I am throwing a tantrum and I try to say something and they don't let me talk.

3. Why is respecting someone's voice important?

Because you don't know what they are going to say, it could be important even if it's not you should still respect it.

Year 4, Bridgewater

1. Do you always let others talk?

Sometimes because I like talking myself and I always love to share my thoughts, feelings and how my day has been but I do like hearing other people too.

2. Do people you know let you talk?

A LOT!, they know I like to talk so they let me. My dad once said when I was born I started talking straight away!

3. Why is respecting someone's voice important?

So you can learn more and you can treat them better than you would had you not known what they are like.

Year 4, Lowry

1. Do you always let others talk?

Yes because someone could be telling you an important life skill and if you don't listen you could miss something that's vital when you're older.

2. Do people you know let you talk?

Yes because I always feel heard

3. Why is respecting someone's voice important?

Because people could be saying something important to you and you would miss it because you're not letting them speak.

Year 5, Peel



HOUSE POINTS

BRIDGEWATER	ELLESMERE	LOWRY	PEEL
609	632	605	589

The winner of last years’ house point challenge was.....

ELLESMERE

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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...

- ⇒ Reading Fluency meeting
- ⇒ EBASC overdue invoices
- ⇒ Harvest Appeal



Leave of Absence (Reminder)

Just a reminder that children should not be taken out of school for holidays during term time. Approved leave of absence will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances and holidays do not count as that.



A copy of the schools' Pupil Attendance policy can be found on our website and you could be liable for a penalty notice and a fine. Fines issued to each parent have increased from £60 to £80 per child if paid within 21 days and this will be doubled if it another absence happens within three years. If a third fine is issued in a three-year period you will face prosecution.

The fine does rise to £180 if not paid within that time.

In the classroom this week.....

Nursery!

In [#EllenbrookNursery](#) we have been learning all about the colour blue. We went on a blue hunt and painted blue waves.

Reception

[#ReceptionAlder](#)

Year 1!

Today, we have been celebrating languages day! What a fantastic day we've had. Year 1 are looking are exploring Mexico and the Spanish language. We started off the day answering the register in Spanish. We were then taught a Samba dance from Mrs McShane to Mexican music.

Year 2!

Year 2 Fir have been treated to a fantastic reading of Aaron's story this morning

Year 3!

[#year3birch](#) are colouring their talavera tiles while listening to Spanish music for languages day! [#mfl](#) [#languagesday](#). Year 3 Willow have been exploring and drawing shapes with geo-boards.

Year 4!

[#Year4Pine](#) are producing fact files to explain to younger children about vertebrates and invertebrates.

Year 5!

Today, [#year5maple](#) investigated the force of friction between different types of shoes

Year 6!

It's languages day!

[#Year6Elm](#)

have watched a short cartoon - Petit Poulet - and are busy working out the story in English.



[#EllenbrookLanguagesDay2024](#)

One Way System

I thought it was a good time to send out a reminder about our one way system. I know it's not the most popular rule in school but the one way system, is in place for a reason. This week we have had to speak to a number of parents who have been trying to access the reception and Year 1 classrooms via the Nursery.



Please can we ask that you do not do this and respect the one way system that is in place for all of our parents and carers.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

I just wanted to thank all of you for supporting our fantastic MacMillan coffee morning today despite the weather!

Together, we raised a whopping

£XXX

A massive thank you to the wonderful staff at Ellenbrook who provided all of the cakes and goodies and to all of the staff and Year 6 pupils who helped out on the day.

CLUBS

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