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The Ellenbrook News

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Important Diary Dates

September 2023

- * 18th Meet the teacher
- * 22nd Y3 Liverpool Museum
- * 22nd Reception Rock Pool Experience Day
- * 29th Macmillian Coffee Morning
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October 2023

- * 2nd Individual and sibling photos
- * 20th Harvest Festival
- * 20th end of term
- * 30th school re-opens

November 2023

- * 28th Parents' evening
- * 30th Parents' evening

I Want to Go Where the Sun Hits the Sky.....!

It's been a fab first whole week back at Ellenbrook and it's been great to see the children fully engaged in their work and for me, it was so nice to be able to teach computing to Year 3 and Year 6 which is something I intend to do all year. I have to say I was very achy the first few days of the week due to my exertions in the Great North Run and I want to thank everyone who sponsored me. Both myself and Mr. Marks enjoyed the run (which I can now say as I have recovered) and I am so pleased and proud to be able to give something back to what is a phenomenally important cause. You can still sponsor me following the link on Twitter and I am close to reaching my target for Prostate Cancer.



Talking of charities, we have our Macmillan coffee morning coming up on the 29th September which has always been superbly well supported

On Monday we will be having our yearly 'meet the teacher' meetings and these will take place straight after school in your child's classroom. The children will play outside with myself and some of the other staff whilst you learn all about the fantastic opportunities your children will have this year and what they will be learning about. It's also a good chance for you to see their classroom and meet their teacher if you haven't already. Please can I ask that if you have any burning issues you need to discuss that you arrange a different time to chat to your child's teacher as the focus of this meeting is a 'hello and here's what we are doing.'

Lastly, I want to pay tribute to all of the amazing Year 6 children who took part in the 'hustings' for House Captain and Vice Captain this week. It takes a huge amount of courage to stand up in front of the whole school and deliver a speech and they all did a fabulous job so really well done to them all!



Have a fantastic weekend!

Mr Blackburn & the Ellenbrook Staff

Weekly Attendance

Our attendance figure for this week is

96.0%



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...trust!

1. Who do you trust most in life?

My dad because I was going up a ramp in my roller blades and my dad held my hand.

2. Who trusts you most in life?

My mum because she trusts me with a knife when I am cooking

3. When has someone broken your trust?

My sister because when I was going on a ramp while my sister held my hand and she let go and I fell flat on my face. **Year 4, Bridgewater**

1. Who do you trust most in life?

My daddies because they tell me what to do.

2. Who trusts you most in life?

Blue bear because I keep him safe (if someone gets him he will pin them!).

3. When has someone broken your trust?

No because I do not tell secrets **Year 3, Ellesmere**

1. Who do you trust most in life?

Probably my parents and my sister...I tell them most things in my life and I easily trust them as they are my family and always there for me.

2. Who trusts you most in life?

Again, my sister...we trust each other with our lives and we gossip a lot! There is always drama on our estate and we trust each other not to share each others gossip.

3. When has someone broken your trust?

Yes but I wouldn't like to share as it made me feel worthless **Year 6, Peel**



HOUSE POINTS

BRIDGEWATER	ELLESMERE	LOWRY	PEEL
294	289	274	307

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...



- ⇒ Year 2 design tech
- ⇒ Year 5 & 6 football trials
- ⇒ EBASC Invoices for Nursery & Reception
- ⇒ Place2Be
- ⇒ Open day dates for prospective parents for September 2024

Leave of Absences

Just a reminder that children should not be taken out of school for holidays during term time.

A copy of the schools' Pupil Attendance policy can be found on our website and you could be liable for a penalty notice should you currently £60 per parent per child if paid within the first 21 days. It does rise to £120 if not paid within that time.

In the classroom this week.....

Nursery!

A yummy first school dinner for our first few Nursery children [#Ellenbrooknursery](#)

Reception

[#receptionhazel](#) have been discussing healthy and unhealthy foods, using various ingredients to decorate their own pizzas. The best part was eating them this afternoon [#physicaldevelopment](#) [#wellbeing](#) [#receptionjuniper](#) enjoyed learning about healthy food this morning. We then used our ideas to make healthy pizzas and enjoyed eating them together at snack time. [#healthyeating](#) [#minichefs](#)

Year 1!

[#YearOneFir](#) have loved PE with Miss Jancy they've been practising their ball skills. Ask them about their 'chicken wings'

Year 2!

We are so impressed with the effort [#year2birch](#) are putting into their maths assessments this morning, very mature! Year2 Willow are enjoying their second science lesson this term on animals and their offspring.

Year 3!

Year 3 Pine have been learning about the times of day in French today. In history, Year 3 Cedar have been looking at Cleopatra and what it would have been like to be one of her workers. We have written great diary entries, either as Cleo or a worker! [#history](#) [#ancientegyptians](#)

Year 4!

Year 4 Maple had a super Music lesson this afternoon... [#Year4Maple](#) [#EllenbrookMusic](#)

Year 5!

Today we have been learning about moving mechanisms in books to help us design a pop up book for year 1 children. [#year5elm](#)

Year 6!


This afternoon, [#year6voyagers](#) are very busy learning about the Shang Dynasty and linking their geography knowledge with French to learn the words in French for countries around the world and label them on a world map! [#EllenbrookHistory](#) [#EllenbrookFrench](#)

White Post Box

At the start of term there are always a lot of correspondence for the office. Just a reminder that all letters should be posted in the white post box outside the office door. Just lift the lid and put the letters or forms in the box. It is checked at least twice a day. Should you need to discuss a form or letter then please do contact the office.

Dogs

Just a reminder that as a Salford school we are a no dog site. If you are going to bring your dog at collection or drop off, please can we ask that you arrange for your child to meet you at the fence or you will need to leave your dog with a friend or tied up outside the school.



Ellenbrook Village Association Princesses & Pirates Treasure Hunt

Sunday 24th September 2023 at 2pm


Register and start next to Ellenbrook school (Bellpit Close side).
Registration closes at 3pm.


Starting at Ellenbrook school, the hunt will take you along footpaths, joining the loopline and towards the Co-op. Approximate time is 45 minutes.

Prizes and treats at the Boundary Stone pub afterwards.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.
Fancy dress optional.

Free Family-Friendly Fun




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