



The new building is stunning. We are already expanding into the space by teaching Yoga and role play in the 'upstairs' and having a dedicated music room downstairs. This means that all of the Key stage two classes can benefit from the new environment.

We have had a very productive start to the new year. Mrs Blinkhorn gave birth to a beautiful baby girl ,Betsy-Mae and Mrs Cutting a handsome baby boy- Henry. Our new teachers, Miss Jolley Y3 Whistles, Miss Weatherly Y4/5, Miss Meacher Y5 and Miss O'Brien Reception Jets, are off to a flying start. We have a fantastic team of teachers and the children are thoroughly enjoying everyone's enthusiasm.

Y6 (and some of Y5 had an amazing time at Lledr Hall. The centre Headteacher wrote to governors in praise of the children; how well they behaved and how they worked so well as a team.



SPORTS

The football season has started and Darren Charlesworth has very kindly agreed to stay on as coach assisted by Karl Dunning. Grateful thanks to them both for giving up their time to coach the team.

Our first three games were on Thursday 22nd September and we got off to a flying start winning all three games. We are currently top of the league!!

Mrs Jones will be taking over the cross-country training (more details to follow shortly).

MUSIC and CONCERTS

The Wider Opportunities Scheme (WOS) provided Year 4 children with a free instrument for many years. We bought our own last year and we now pay Mrs Ali to teach the class. Violin lessons will continue as before.

Sadly, Miss Bradnum, our singing teacher, has family commitments this year, so she cannot continue to support our choir. Miss Bradley worked closely with her last year and she has agreed to continue with singing and choir this year.



EVENTS

Y6 Lledr week 14th – 18th September

The children had an amazing time. We have received a letter from the staff at Lledr Hall informing us that the children were very polite, positive, engaging and a credit to the school. Well done to everyone involved.

Walkden High School Parents Q&A

Year 4, 5 and 6 visit from Walkden High 6 October 2015 @ 2.00 pm in the school hall.

Harvest Festival 22nd October

Reception, Y1,YR 2 in the hall at 9:30 am
All Key Stage 2 at St Mary's Church 10:30 am-11:15 am

Halloween Family Disco

Friday 16th October, 7-9.30 pm in the school hall.

Half term

Last day Thursday 22nd October
First day back **TUESDAY** 3rd November

Parents Evenings

5:00pm-7:30pm Tuesday 20th October
4:00pm -6:30pm Wednesday 21st October

These are the only dates that the teachers are available. We will do our best to accommodate your choice of time and day.

Family Night

Friday 4th December 6.30 pm – 9.30 pm. in the school hall.

Performances

EYFS 10:00am 8th and 9th December



KS1 6:00pm 9th December and 2:00pm on the 10th December

No filming please and no close-up photographs of children other than your own. Please do not post photos of other children onto social networking sites.

Christmas Dinner 11th December



Parties

EYFS KS1 Tuesday 15th December
KS2 Wednesday 16th December

KS2 Carol concert

St Mary's Church 10:00am -17th December

Last day Thursday 17th December -first day back- Monday 4th January 2016

There's lots more happening in school and details of all events will be emailed or sent home nearer the time.

Reminders

Please support our school policy on pupils' smart appearance.

Remember

Healthy snacks in lunchboxes only. Plain water for classrooms and fruit for breaks. Please do not send in chocolate, sweets or biscuits.

Parking

Residents and parents have been worried that the increase in pupil numbers would make our parking problems worse. But, thanks to everyone's help, that hasn't happened.

Please remember- do not park on any walkways; on or opposite the zigzags or dropped kerbs; or obstructing driveways.

Ellenbrook is absolutely the best school for miles around. Thank you for all of your continued support and here's to a fantastic new year.

Thank you.

Mrs Parkins

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www.ellenbrookschool.com

Bag Drop 20th November

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www.easyfundraising.org.uk