



Autumn Term

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Important Diary Dates

December

- * 8th Nasal flu vaccination
- * 10th Xmas Jumper day
- * 21st—School closes for the Christmas holidays

January

- * 22nd —School closes for the Christmas holidays

February

- * 18th —School closes for half term holidays
- * 28th —School re-opens

Current Covid Cases

Across the School

19

Events for Next Week

Christmas performances start next week beginning on Monday with Reception & Year 1

Yr 3 Oak and Yr 2 Maple have their parents' evenings on Tuesday next week

From Now On Our Troubles Will be Miles Away (Hopefully!) ...!

It's been quite the week this week but I am pleased to say that Covid rates have dropped in school which is a relief and shows that the decision to re-bubble the children was the correct one. Our numbers are now 19 and the rate of positive cases has really slowed as we have moved towards the end of the week. We will continue the bubble until the end of today and on Monday the children will be back to mixing outside and at lunchtime.

You will have received your tickets today for the performances in EYFS and KS1 next week and can we ask that you read the WEDUC post carefully to ensure you know the guidelines for next weeks' shows. We will be enforcing them rigidly so please can we ask you to wear a mask and to ensure you are only bringing people in your household or current child care bubble. The chairs will be positioned to give as much social distancing as possible but your caution is going to be the best line of defence. There will be a live stream of the performance but we will also record and upload it via our YouTube channel as we know Teams doesn't always give us the best quality. Key Stage 2 tickets will go out on Monday next week and as with Key Stage 1 they are limited to two tickets per family. We will also record the performances and upload them to the YouTube channel.

It was Christmas jumper day today and it gave us all the most amazing Christmas feeling! I just want to thank you all for supporting what is such a vital cause in Save the Children and they do a huge amount of really vital work in communities across the UK and the world.

It's hard to believe it's two weeks until Christmas Eve and 15 days until Santa is here. I hope your households are as excited as mine about the big day and hopefully we are able to see families and experience the true meaning of Christmas!

Have a fantastic weekend!

Mr Blackburn & the Ellenbrook Staff



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. Can we also ask that you give a reason as we have to call and ask if you report them as 'unwell.'**
- ⇒ **All inhalers/medicines need to be in school with a signed medical permission form. This is for the current academic year (even if we have held them for previous years)**
- ⇒ 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 our dreams!

1. Do you have a dream in life?

I have a huge dream to save all of the pandas and to keep them all alive and healthy. But I also have another dream to let all my family live close to each other and make sure that they are the most happy they can possibly be.

2. Do you believe dreams come true?

Dreams can come true as long as you try and be determined and carry on no matter what may try and stop you in your path. You have to be clear on your path and try again.

3. What would you give to fulfil your dreams?

Well life is full of many things and you might have to give a lot of those things up to fulfil your dreams.

So I would maybe have to go to a new country to save the Panda's and other animals but then I would come back to this country knowing I have done a good deed.

Year 6, Lowry



HOUSE POINTS

BRIDGEWATER	ELLESMERE	LOWRY	PEEL
2510	2434	2630	3017

We are holding house point over until next week :)

The winner of this weeks' assembly challenge was.....

ELLESMERE

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.

Collecting Children

This week I have helped a number of people who have been collecting children find their way to the correct classroom.



Can we ask that if someone other than yourself, or a regular collector, is collecting you brief them on where they need to go and inform them about the one way system as this will really help the confusion level :)

Post Box for Christmas cards

There are 3 days to post cards next week in the Christmas posting box.

Monday—Wednesday—Friday

Devices

We have had two children this week who have brought a Kindle to school. We appreciate and support the enthusiasm to read but these devices are not allowed in school so please we can we ask they are kept at home



Christmas Jumper Day

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Christmas Jumper day today. It was fantastic to see so many people in Xmas jumpers! A big thank you to everyone who donated to Save the Children. At the time of wiring the newsletter we had raised



£193

If you'd still like to donate, you can do so using the link below.

[Our Christmas Jumper Day \(savethechildren.org.uk\)](http://savethechildren.org.uk)

STAY ALERT > CONTROL THE VIRUS > SAVE LIVES

Letter sent this week.....

This week we have sent letters for...

- * Nativity tickets
- * EYFS & Year 1 Pantomime
- * Spring 1 After School Sports Activities
- * EBASC Spring 1 invoices



In the classroom this week.....

Nursery!

Nursery have done an amazing job of sequencing the story from Mog's Christmas Calamity! [#ellenbrooknursery](#) [#earlyreadingskills](#)

Reception!

Reception Willow have just done their dress rehearsal and.....WOW!!! The children were absolutely amazing! Prepare to be blown away on Monday! We have had the best time practising & can't wait to show you [#receptionwillow](#) [#superstars](#)

Year 1!

A Look at our amazing Christmas jumpers in [#year1cedar](#) [#ChristmasJumperDay2021](#) [#feelingfestive](#)

Year 2!

Year 2 Maple have their golden tickets to their Ellenbrook theatre experience! They are so excited to eat their snacks and watch the story of Peter Pan.

Year 3!

We are creating Santa catching plans today in English! Look out for our instructions on how to catch Santa next week [#year3elm](#)

Year 4!

In Year After deciding their independent, dependent and control variables, Year 4 Voyagers are investigating which material soundproofs the best. [#year4voyagers](#)

Year 5!

[#year5amazons](#) working hard on their Geography final piece...

Researching the states and cities of Route 66. [#route66](#)

[#year5geography](#) [#chicagotoLA](#) [#Americanroadtrip](#)

[#NorthAmerica](#)

Year 6!

Year 6 have been learning about drugs and the impact that they have on our body. They have created posters to raise awareness of harmful drugs.

[#year6jets](#) [#science](#). How does Santa really work? Have

a read of Year 6's explanation texts to find out for yourselves! [#year6sharks](#)

[#feelingfestive](#)



CLUBS

DAY	TIME	CLUB	YEAR GROUP
MONDAY	8-8.45AM	ULTIMATE FRISBEE	YEAR 3 - 6
	3.30-4.30PM	BASKETBALL	YEAR 5 & 6
TUESDAY	3.30-4.30PM	FOOTBALL	YEAR 5 & YEAR 6
WEDNESDAY	3.30-4.30PM	MULTISPORTS	EBASC ATTENDEES
THURSDAY	3.30-4.30PM	DODGEBALL	YEAR 1 & YEAR 2
FRIDAY	8-8.45AM	HOCKEY	YEAR 1 & 2
	3.30-4.30PM	NETBALL	YEAR 3 & YEAR 4