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The Ellenbrook News

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Important Diary Dates

November

- * 16th Parents' Evening 4-6.40pm
- * 18th Parents' Evening 6-8.40pm
- * 29th Nasal flu vaccination

December

- * 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

Events for Next Week

Remember it's the Year 3 sleepover on Friday next week

Please remember nasal flu vaccinations on the 29th November

Please remember

Sorry Seems to be the Hardest Word ...!

It's been a great week this week at Ellenbrook with some amazing things happening as part of friendship week and also lots of things for me and the leadership of the school to consider. I want to start with feedback as this has been a week where I have had plenty of really useful feedback and as Head teacher I really encourage feedback from parents and I hope you all feel you can approach us about any subject. I would hate to think some of you feel you don't have a voice. We are a team, you the parents, us the staff and the children and it's really important to me that we communicate honestly. We said goodbye to Mrs McKenna today and it was a sad farewell had in the hall with all of the staff and children. I know she will have thanked you herself for the amazing gifts and presents she received and I want to thank her for all of the amazing effort she has put in over the years, she will be truly missed and we wish her the very best of luck for the future.

We had parents' evening this week and it was so amazing to have parents back in to school and able to see the work and sit face to face with the teachers. Thank you for the parents who commented that they preferred the online system as they didn't need to arrange child care. I think for our next parents evening we will consider a hybrid model on one night face to face and one night virtual. As we get close to parents' evening next year we will survey you to see if you would like this change.

As I mentioned, it's been friendship week at Ellenbrook this week with the theme of one kind word. It's been a fabulous week and we had a really great sharing assembly this afternoon which was the perfect climax to a great week.

Lastly, thank you all so much for your support with Children in Need. It was great to see the children in their PJ's supporting such a great cause. 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 team work.

1. What makes a good team?

I think a good team is where there is a leader (who lets other people do things) as if the leader is not letting people do things then it is just their own team without anyone else being there. The team needs to work together and share ideas. Some people want to be the leader but I think that you should step aside and let someone else share their idea.

2. Some people aren't team players, why do you think that is?

They might want to show someone that they are the best so they do it all the time like if you are in swimming and you think you are amazing you might push someone in all the time and not be amazing.

3. Do you always welcome others to your team?

Yes because I hope everyone believes in themselves. But no, as I want a strong team (even though everyone is amazing at everything) so I would really invite everyone

Year 5, Peel



HOUSE POINTS

BRIDGEWATER	ELLESMERE	LOWRY	PEEL
2228	1906	2070	2373

Here are this weeks' house point totals!

The winner of this weeks' assembly 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...

- * Toys for Nursery
- * Cross Country
- * SEND letter



In the classroom this week.....

Nursery!

We've To continue our friendship week activities, we each chose a friend to make our own unique hand print with. We talked about the change in colour as they mixed together whilst thinking about what makes a kind friend. #ellenbrooknursery #antibullyingweek #BeKindAlways



Reception!

Reception and Miss Jancy started off their morning with a Joe Wicks workout #ChildreninNeed #joewicks #Pudsey #receptionwillow #receptionbirch #ellenbrookprimaryschool

Year 1!

#Year1Pine #year1pine have completed drawings on the computer in the style of the artist Piet Mondrian. We have developed our skills on selecting the correct tools on paint.

Year 2!

#year2maple are enjoying another afternoon of friendship activities #friendshipweek #antibullyingweek Year 2 Beech are busy with their friendship week activities

Year 3!

A lovely start to friendship week in Elm today! We thought of lots of different "kind words" we could say, we shared them with each other and wrote them onto cards which are now stuck on our classroom door, so that anyone who enters can read a kind word and feel good!

#year3elm

Year 4!

'One Kind Word' Superheroes in Year 4 Voyagers!

Year 5!

#Year5Swallows have written friendship poems about each other #FriendshipWeek #antibullyingweek2021

#year5amazons To kick-start "Friendship Week", we joined in with the BBC Live Lesson. We discussed Bullying and looked at how it can affect us on the inside, using an apple to demonstrate the negative impact and damage that can be caused by using harsh, unkind words.

Year 6!

Our personal One Kind Word wordles are looking amazing in #year6sharks! #friendshipweek #onekindword Thanks to Ethan G our resident paparazzi for the photos too!



WEDUC

This week it has become more apparent that things that are being posted on WEDUC are being missed by some parents. I appreciate a lot of things get posted on WEDUC but can we please ask you all to make sure you endeavour to read the newsfeed regularly.

WEDUC is our main vehicle of communication and everything you need to know is posted there. Many thanks ;)

Are you at high school and receive free school meals?

Would you like a free month pass for gym and swim facilities at your local leisure centres?

You'll also be able to pick up a free packed lunch from the leisure centre on 22, 23 29 and 30 December between 12noon and 2pm.



Scan me to sign up



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Salford City Council

Passes will be activated on the 15 December for one month.

Sign up today at:

<https://salfordcommunityleisure.co.uk/be-active/children-activities/winter-fun/>

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