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# The Ellenbrook News

The weekly newsletter for Ellenbrook Community Primary School

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### Important Diary Dates

#### January

- \* 4th - INSET day school closed
- \* 5th— Children return to school

#### February

- \* 10th - Year 1 trip to Knowsley Safari Park— CANCELLED
- \* 12th—End of half term
- \* 5th— Children return to school

#### March

- \* 12th - INSET day school closed
- \* 31st— School closed for the Easter holidays

#### April

- \* 12th - INSET day school closed
- \* 31st— School closed for the Easter holidays

#### May

- \* 28th — End of half term

## Let's come together, Right now, oh yeah, In sweet harmony !

It have to be honest, it has been a very challenging week for us in school and I can only imagine how difficult it has been with you as parents trying to juggle work commitments as well as teaching ones. As I said last week we do sympathise with your predicament and are trying as hard as we possibly can to ensure we do all we can to support you. But let's get this into context....there have been some major plus points this week including the live assemblies, the live thoughtful time session and the tremendous engagement with the work set for those learning at home.

The success we have had this week has enabled us to spend some time trialling live lessons next week as we did with the Thoughtful Time this week. So from next week, Year 2 to Year 6 will deliver three live maths sessions in real time. This will be delivered via Microsoft Teams and the invites will follow from each of the classes next week. It is important for me to make the expectations clear here...this is not the start of us teaching all of our sessions online. This is us seeing if the teaching of a live session is viable and if it is we will work towards delivering one live session a day for all classes from Year 2-6. If we are not happy with the live sessions we will not continue with them. If you aren't able to make the live sessions, you do not need to worry, the teachers will be recording the live sessions and uploading them to Seesaw so you can complete the work in the way you have been so far. It would be great to see as many of the children as possible for each of these sessions so please join us if you can.



You will have seen a number of posts on WEDUC this week. Please can I ask you to keep checking as we are updating it very regularly and there is a lot of information coming out of the DfE and Salford on a daily basis. Lastly, thank you all again for the amazing support we are getting from you!

Have a great weekend.....

Mr Blackburn & the Ellenbrook Staff



### \*\*\* IMPORTANT REMINDER \*\*\*

- \* When you have changed your telephone number or address please inform the office asap.
- \* If you are a key worker and your child is attending school, please can report their sickness in the usual way
- \* Please keep checking Twitter to keep in touch with school!

### 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.

### Thoughtful Time

In Thoughtful Time this week we have been thinking about love.....

#### 1. Who loves you and how do they show it?

My older brother loves me (I think!) and he shows me it in his own way, by annoying me and hugging me really awkwardly.

#### 2. Who is it hard to love sometimes?

It is usually VERY hard to love my brother since he is always annoying me, getting me into trouble by lying, laughing at me, calling me names and hurting me, but he is still m brother and I love him for who he is (although I do wish he was kind!).

#### 3. What is the point of love?

The point of love is to make people feel such an emotion, it is a great emotion to feel if it's having a crush on someone to loving your family and so much more than that, people also love to express it by hugging, I like to hug my parents. People can also have different opinions on love though, like if I asked my brother this question he would probably say that there is no point in it and that he doesn't love anybody apart from himself!



### HOUSE POINTS

BRIDGEWATER	ELLESMERE	LOWRY	PEEL
107	116	100	155

House points have begun for this week and what a start!

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

**BRIDGEWATER**

### 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...

No letters have ben sent out this week.



### Assembly

A huge thank you to everyone who has joined us for the assemblies this week. It was great to see so many of you tuning in to watch.

We will be streaming the assemblies for the rest of the term so please continue to attend if you are able to. We will hopefully be able to have a bit more interaction next week. We will be posting the link directly into WEDUC from Monday.

### In the classroom this week.....

#### Nursery!

Inspired by the frosty, icy morning we have carried out an experiment in Nursery this morning. Using 3 blocks of ice we have put one near the radiator, one outside and one in the classroom. We've made predictions about which we think will melt first and why! [#ellenbrooknursery](#)

#### Reception!

Look at the patterns we have created today ..... [#receptionbubble](#) [#receptionpine](#) [#receptioncedar](#)

#### Year 1!

Year 1 have done a great job of sorting the animals into their animal groups this afternoon. They also thought about the animal homes they would need to live in [#science](#) [#year1](#)

#### Year 2!

Year 2 have been creating their own Tin Forests, they were inspired by photos from their friends learning at home.

#### Year 3!

For the next few weeks, Year 3 key worker group will be writing non-chronological reports about fossils! We decided that before we write about fossils, we must try and find some... so today we decided to become archaeologists and dug up some fossils ourselves [#year3](#)

#### Year 4!

Some excellent role play this week in Year 4 following a scene from the film Shrek! We hope you enjoyed it at home too!

[#year4swallows](#) [#year4amazons](#)

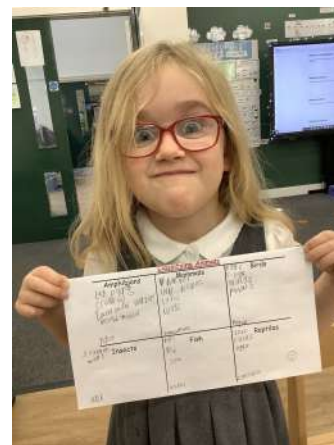
#### Year 5!

We have come to the end our second week of [#homelearning](#) Well done to [#Year5Jarks](#) for all of their hard work at home. The Hobbit Play script long multiplication

#### Year 6!

Check out these gorgeous poems written by our Year 6 Key-worker group. They look good and they sound good too!

[#year6rockets](#) [#ellenbrook-poets](#)



### Coronavirus

Wash your hands with soap and water more often for 20 seconds



Palm to palm



The backs of hands



In between the fingers



The back of the fingers



The thumbs



The tips of the fingers

Use a tissue to turn off the tap.  
Dry hands thoroughly.

**STAY HOME ▶ PROTECT THE NHS ▶ SAVE LIVES**

### CLUBS

KEY STAGE	DAY	ACTIVITY
KS2	MONDAY	Girls' Football
KS1	MONDAY	Dance
KS1	WEDNESDAY	Dodgeball
Year 5 & 6	THURSDAY	High Five Netball
KS2	THURSDAY	Football
KS1	FRIDAY	Chess
Year 6	THURSDAY (3.30 pm)	Boosters

**Cancelled until further notice**