



### Important Diary Dates

#### February

- \* 10th - Year 1 trip to Knowsley Safari Park— CANCELLED
- \* 12th—End of half term
- \* 22nd— Children return to school

#### March

- \* 13th - INSET day school closed
- \* 31st— School closed for the Easter holidays

#### April

- \* 12th - INSET day school closed
- \* 19th—School re-opens
- \* 30th— School closed for the Easter holidays

#### May

- \* 3rd—Bank holiday, school closed
- \* 4th —School re-opens
- \* 28th — End of half term

#### June

- \* 8th June—School re-opens

#### July

- \* 21st —School closes for the summer holidays

## Whatever this world can give to me It's you, you're all I see ...!

What a great week it's been for both the critical worker children in school and for those of you working at home. I have looked at a lot of work this week and joined a couple of live sessions and I have to say I am pleased with what I have seen, everyone is doing a fab job in very difficult circumstances. Huge thanks to those of you at home who are completing the home learning with your children, I know it can be challenging and you are all doing an amazing job!

This week I posted a review of our home learning on WEDUC which seems to have upset a couple of parents who I believe may have misread what I said. To be clear, all pieces of work submitted by the children at home will be marked. Some will be marked in more detail than others and this is what would happen if the children were in school. English and Maths work will take priority at present with more detailed, comment based marking reserved for these subjects.

The continuation of our live learning trial has been a real success this week and it has been great to see so many of the children joining the sessions. We do understand that for some of the children working at home, it's not great to see the children in school and can be upsetting so in that case, please don't feel you have to join the lessons, but it would be good if you can watch them afterwards though.

One of the positives of lockdown has been the collaboration of the cluster of local schools of which we are a proud member. I am in very close contact with the other Head Teachers in Worsley, Ellenbrook and Boothstown and we have been able to share resources, answer queries and collate information quickly and easily. Our weekly virtual meetings are a highlight of the week and it is good to see the other Heads and talk through the issues facing all of us. Who knew we'd be doing that a year ago!



Have a great weekend!.....Mr Blackburn & the Ellenbrook Staff



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

- \* The office will close from 4pm next week.
- \* Please could we remind you that we are only able to administer medicines if they are prescribed and the dosage is for 4 times a day.
- \* Please can children wear a coat when in 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 being calm.....

#### 1. Are you a calm person?

Sometimes I am calm because I take 2 deep breaths and that helps me.

#### 2. What irritates you in life?

When my brother shouts at me.

#### 3. What happens when you lose your calm?

I really lose my temper and then I lie down.

Year 2, Bridgewater

#### 1. Are you a calm person?

I am reasonably calm because when I am at home I am calm and don't care what happens but with my friends I am quite giddy but can still be quite calm.

#### 2. What irritates you in life?

My guinea pigs because they non-stop squeak 24/7 and they act as if they have never been fed whenever we feed them!

#### 3. What happens when you lose your calm?

Nothing really, I just go quiet and say I'm alright—when I know I am clearly not!

Year 3, Peel



### HOUSE POINTS

BRIDGEWATER	ELLESMERE	LOWRY	PEEL
542	522	612	674

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...

- ⇒ Critical worker holiday club
- ⇒ Holiday schedule 2021/2022



### Games

We are still looking for good items that can be used in school. This includes board games, books or toys in very good or nearly new condition.

We are especially looking for boards games or small partner games like connect 4, etc. If you can help please donate via the office.



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

#### Nursery!

Yesterday some children chose to reply to our email from Penelope the Polar Bear. They wrote letters, put them in envelopes and left them in a basket. When we came in this morning, Penelope had been to collect them and left us a teddy that looks just like her! [#ellenbrooknursery](#)

#### Reception!

Yesterday reception have explore dinosaurs in lots of ways. We have read a non fiction book about dinosaurs learning lots of new facts. We have been digging for fossils and we have made dinosaurs out of junk modelling..... [#receptionbubble](#)

#### Year 1!

Year One key worker group have been working super hard this morning writing their own version of The Three Little Pigs! We are also super proud of the children working at home on their own version too. [#year1beeple](#) [#narrative](#) [#english](#)

#### Year 2!

Year Another brilliant week of home learning from Year 1 Beech and Maple. Both Miss Bradley and Mrs Coggins have been blown away by the children's amazing effort and hard work in writing complete Three Little Pig stories - the story language and adjectives used have been brilliant

#### Year 3!

Year 3 are busy looking at and sorting rocks today. Who knew there are so many different types of rocks!!

#### Year 4!

We are super impressed with Year 4 home learners. As we have been learning about states of matter, the children investigated the change of state in solids to liquids. Great work!

#### Year 5!

[#Year5](#) in school have been writing some fabulous "Hobbitworld" stories. More of the actual stories later, but just take a close look at the map that one of our boys has created to go alongside his story. What a fabulous piece of work!

#### [#GoJarks](#)

#### Year 6!

Year 6 are thinking about their mental health this morning. They are starting the day with a guided meditation with the aim of reducing anxiety. [#year6rockets](#)



### 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**