



Summer Term

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Important Diary Dates

June

- * 14th June—Year 1 Assembly
- * 14th June—Year 3 sleepover meeting @ 6pm
- * 16th June—Year 6 Lledr meeting @ 6pm
- * 24th—Year 3 sleepover

July

- * 11th - 15th—Year 6 trip to Lledr Hall

Current Covid Cases

Across the School

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Events for Next Week

The Year 3 sleepover meeting is on Tuesday next week at 6pm

The Year 6 Lledr Hall meeting is on Thursday next week at 6pm

Are We Good Citizens.....?

This week we have had a fantastic week and it's been great to see the children back and ready for what is going to be a very very busy final half term. The weather has sort of been cooperating and it has meant the children have had the opportunity to spend time on the field enjoying themselves.

Citizenship week is a really vital part of the school's calendar as it is the opportunity for us as a school to focus on the education that is not academic. So much of what we do at school revolves around academics which of course is correct but that's not the only thing we focus on as a school. Having an opportunity to think outside of the school gates is just as important in many ways and it's something that is very much a personal and professional passion of mine.

I also attended the Northwest Education Show this week and it was such a useful day spent listening to different speakers talk about the key issues affecting schools in the short and more longer term. As you may know, we recently had an education white paper which has again raised discussions about academisation for schools with the Government saying all schools should have academized or be on the pathway to academize by 2030. There are lots of discussions going on at the moment about what this will mean for Salford schools particularly as both the Catholic and Church of England Diocese have given their schools very clear direction on how this process will affect them. I have been to a number of meetings where possible scenarios for the next few years have been discussed and I will of course keep you up to date should anything more formal arise. We also had a key note speech from Drew Povey which was as enjoyable as it was inspirational and really got me to think about the challenges of leading a school during a very transformational time.

Lastly, just a reminder that we will shortly be stopping the use of WEDUC and reverting to ParentPay for the rest of this term.

I hope you all have a fantastic weekend!

Mr Blackburn & the Ellenbrook Staff



THOUGHTFUL TIME

1. Who is a good role model in your life and why?
2. Why is being a good citizen important?
3. Do you think you're a good citizen?

Thoughtful Time

This week we have been thinking about being a citizen!

1. Who is a good role model in your life and why?

Albert Einstein because I really want to be a scientist when I grow up.

2. Why is being a good citizen important?

Because you have to respect the rules of that place or else you could end up going to jail.

3. Do you think you're a good citizen

Yes because I follow all of the rules and whenever I see some litter I throw it in the bin. I also make posters about saving the turtles and to not litter!

Year 5, Lowry

1. Who is a good role model in your life and why?

My mum is a really good role model because she brings me and my brother up to always share with one another and to always be kind to each other.

2. Why is being a good citizen important?

Being a good citizen means being a citizen of our country and being a good person in the community. It is also important to keep the planet healthy.

3. Do you think you're a good citizen

I think I am a good citizen because I follow the rules and sometimes I pick litter up that's on the floor.

Year 5, Peel



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.

HOUSE POINTS

BRIDGEWATER	ELLESMERE	LOWRY	PEEL
2454	2279	2217	2518

Here are this weeks' house point totals!

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...

- ⇒ Sports Day – dates for your diary
- ⇒ Weduc App Update
- ⇒ Year 1 Class Assembly – Tuesday 14th June
- ⇒ Year 6 Alton Towers
- ⇒ Year 4 (Current Year 3) - Ironbridge Deposit Reminder
- ⇒ Year 3 Sleepover
- ⇒ Year 6 RSE Sessions



In the classroom this week.....

Nursery!

“This is the way we brush our teeth” . Nursery have been super dentists today! We’ve talked about how to look after our teeth and which foods are good and bad for them. We’ve shown super counting skills adding teeth to the empty mouths [#ellenbrooknursery](#)

Reception!

Reception have had a fabulous morning exploring our new hospital role play. We are doing a fantastic job at being doctors and nurses. If anyone needs any treatment come to [#receptionwillow](#). Our surgery will be open again this afternoon. [#roleplay](#)

Year 1!

[#year1cedar](#) working on their emergency service fact posters ready to present in assembly tomorrow! We have had a great week discussing what the police, fire brigade and ambulance services do. We found they do so much more than just the general job! [#citizenshipweek](#) [#ourheroes](#) [#Year1Pine](#) have worked really hard on their poems today. We have wrote chocolate cake poems and performed them in front of the class.

Year 2!

In response to their inspection year 2 Maple are busy being fantastic school citizens. They are cleaning up our environment for themselves and all of their school friends.

Year 3!

Some These four ladies have had a FANTASTIC citizenship week, they are currently working on their TV Advert script about sustainability within fashion! [#year3oak](#) [#year3elm](#) writing their scripts for their TV adverts! [#english](#)

Year 4!

Welcome to the Year 4 Voyagers driving range!

Year 5!

‘People Will Always Be People’ [#Year5Swallows](#) performing their poems [#BenjaminZaphaniah](#) [#performancePoetry](#)

Year 6!

It’s budgeting and finance day for Year 6 They are completing purchase requisitions and bank loan agreements ready for their Trade Your Way sale day! [#year6jets](#) [#maths](#)

WEDUC

As you will have seen this week, we are phasing out the use of WEDUC as our main communication app across the school. This is not due to any unhappiness with WEDUC which we think is an excellent app, but because we are moving away from our current Management Information System (MIS) to a new one.

The new system has a WEDUC style system built in so will save us money on doubling up on two costly systems.

As the message says, we will revert to using ParentPay until the Autumn term.

Uniform

Just my usual reminder at the beginning of the second half of the summer term about uniform. We have literally dozens of children not in the correct uniform at present with footwear being the main offender.

Please can you ensure your child has footwear that complies with our uniform policy which can be found on our school website

Parents’ Evening

I mentioned last week about a parents’ evening survey coming soon. Sorry we haven’t managed to do it this week but we are hoping to send it out next week :).

Notices

Just a reminder to please read messages from the office carefully as we have a lot going on!

Lost Property

We have yet another huge mound of lost property in the office...please can we ask you to come in and check it if your child is missing something!

CLUBS

KEY STAGE / YEAR GROUP	DAY	ACTIVITY
KS2 (YR 3 – 6)	MONDAY (8 – 8.45am)	Cricket
YR 5 & 6	MONDAY (3.30 – 4.30pm)	Athletics
YR 3 & 4	TUESDAY (3.30 – 4.30pm)	Tennis
EBASC Attendees KS1 3.30pm-4.15pm—KS2 4.15pm—5.00pm	WEDNESDAY (3.30 – 4.30pm)	Multi Sports
YR 1 & 2	THURSDAY (3.30 – 4.30pm)	Dance
KS1 (YR 1 & 2)	FRIDAY (8 – 8.45am)	Athletics
YR 3 & 4	FRIDAY (3.30 – 4.30pm)	Athletics