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The Ellenbrook News

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Important Diary Dates

July

- * 5th-7th—Year 6 production
- * 8th—Early years sports day
- * 11th - 15th—Year 6 trip to Lledr Hall

September

- * 5th-INSET day—school closed
- * 6th—Autumn term begins and children return to school

Current Covid Cases

Across the School

5

Events for Next Week

The Year 6 production is on Tuesday and Thursday nights next week @ 7pm

The Year 6 performance matinee is @ 1.30pm on Wednesday next week.

You Never Know How Strong You Are Until Being Strong is Your Only Choice.....?

It's been a very very busy week at Ellenbrook and a fantastic one. I always enjoy transition and love seeing the new children in their new classes with their new teachers. They all seem very grown up and I am sure for you as parents you feel the same, hopefully you will have had very positive feedback from them about their three days. We also welcomed a new staff member this week who will be with us in September and a massive welcome to Mrs Webb who will be teaching in a job share with Mr. Marks.

I had a letter this week from our local MP about the current parking situation around the school and in particular on Reedley drive. As a result of that the Local Authority are coming to visit the site before the end of term to discuss and review our travel plan and to get a feel for what the local residents experience at the start and end of each day. I know I have said a thousand times to park respectfully around the school site and I know it's only a small minority of parents who do not park appropriately but as a school community we do need to do something about this. Last week also saw the Year 3 sleepover and the children were so excited to be spending the night in school with their friends. Experiences like this are so important to a child's development and it really is a unique experience to not only have a giant sleepover with your friends but to have one in your school!

I want to finish this week's newsletter with a little thank you to our wonderful Year 6 children. On Wednesday, whilst transition was in full swig, Mr Marks and I took 50 or so children to Alton Towers with some very intrepid parents. It's not an easy trip as there is a lot of negotiating and waiting around and the children's behaviour was amazing. They weren't restless, they didn't get bored and conducted themselves superbly which is a testament to them and shows how mature and well rounded they are. I also want to give a shout out to the parent volunteers that came with us too because had it not been for them we would not have been able to run the trip.

I hope you all 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 being strong!

1. Are you a strong person?

Yes because when football teams say I'm small but then I show them what I'm made of by winning and making them embarrassed and upset.

2. Who is the strongest in your life?

I don't know because I have lots of strong people in my life so I can't choose like my mum, my dad and my friends. Not my brother because he just thinks he's cool but he's not!

3. When in your life have you had to be strong?

When my grandad died because it was sad and I had to be strong. **Year 4, Lowry**

1. Are you a strong person?

Yes I am a strong person because when I get into an argument I stand up for myself but also I had to move from Russia to England when I was 4.

2. Who is the strongest in your life?

The strongest person in my life is my dad because his parents have died but he still acts as if everything is normal.

3. When in your life have you had to be strong?

I've had to be strong when my sister died and my grandparents.

Year 5 Lowry



HOUSE POINTS

BRIDGEWATER	ELLESMERE	LOWRY	PEEL
3122	2896	3257	3742

Here are this weeks' house point totals!

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

BRIDGEWATER ELLESMERE LOWRY 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.

Child Friendly Safeguarding Booklet

As I mentioned in a previous newsletter, we will be distributing a child friendly version of our current child protection and safeguarding policy. This is in line with Keeping Children Safe which is the legislation schools follow for safeguarding.



The booklet will be sent you via WEDUC before a printed copy is given to all of the children in the school.

Mr. Marks Marathon

I am very pleased to announce that our very own Mr Marks has been successful in applying to run in the London marathon next year. He's very excited to be running in October for a very worthy cause- The Outward Bound Trust.



If you are kindly thinking of giving him a present at the end of term, please consider making a small donation on the fund-raising page instead:

<https://tcslondonmarathon.enthouse.com/pf/peter-marks/post/1825146>

Car park gate

I know there has been some discussion between parents of EBASC and the staff about the opening next closing of the car park gate at the end of the school day. I am aware that the gate previous opened in the evening at 5pm and that I changed this time after Covid to 5.15pm. Recently the gate has been left open and some parents have accessed the site before 5.15pm.



Having taken onboard your feedback, we will revert to opening the gate at 5pm from next week.

Letter sent this week.....

This week we have sent letters for...

- ⇒ End of Year Reports update
- ⇒ Ledr Hall Consent Form Reminder
- ⇒ Year 6 Summer Production – Tickets & Arrangements
- ⇒ Reception Junk Modelling
- ⇒ Year 6 BMX Biking Session
- ⇒ ParentPay Accounts
- ⇒ Reception Party Bus
- ⇒ EYFS Sports Day
- ⇒ Year 3-5 Production Tickets & Additional Date



In the classroom this week.....

Nursery!

We love to play teachers in Nursery and some boys have been asking if their friends wanted yoga or meditation just like we do on our 'feel good Fridays'! [#roleplayingteachers](#) [#tallychart](#) [#childledlearning](#)

Reception!

[#ReceptionBirch](#) have really enjoyed their transition into year 1. We have enjoyed some fun maths activities, writing party invitations and making party food. Today we had fun at our hat party.

Another great day for [#year1willow](#)! We have made jelly and decorated biscuits for our party tomorrow. Participated in our first ever thoughtful time and best of all had some jolly good fun exploring our new surroundings!

Year 1!

[#Year1Cedar](#) Busy busy morning in [#year2pine](#)!

Year 2!

[#year3maple](#) making their torch artwork this afternoon! [#art](#) [#transition](#) . [#year3](#) [#year2](#) we have some great artists!!

Year 3!

Year 4 Oak are thoroughly engrossed in writing their stories of 'Taking Flight' this morning [#Year4Oak](#) [#Year3Oak](#)

Year 4!

[#Year4Voyagers](#) have completed their mesostic poems [#WOW](#)

Year 5!

We have lots of graffiti artists in Year 6 Swallows! [#year6swallows](#) [#transitiondaytwo](#) [#art](#) [#graffititags](#)

Year 6!

Wow! Amazing playground structures by [#year6sharks](#) and [#year6jets](#). We will have to show them to Mr Blackburn for inspiration! [#teamyar6](#)



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