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The Ellenbrook News

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HOUSE POINTS

BRIDGEWATER	ELLESMERE	LOWRY	PEEL
1849	2005	1857	1972

We are holding house point over until next week as it is the last week!

Our Performances



Huge congratulations to all of the performers....you did us all proud!

What a Performance...!

Only one place to start this week and that is with our tremendous Christmas performances. If you were lucky enough to see one, you will know what I mean, they were amazing and a huge credit to the children who put in masses of work to make sure they were as good as they can be. I also want to thank the staff for the super human amount of work they put in to make sure the shows were as well produced as they were. It is a credit to them that they got so much from so many and with some being so young. I have been made aware of some parental feedback via whatsapp groups about the shows and I just want to say I am very proud of what the children achieved. I know you can't please everyone all of the time, but every child got on stage at some point and we tried to make sure parts were split evenly across all of the children in all of the classes. I also heard parents commenting on the day about there being empty seats. I just want to re-iterate that every seat for every performance was allocated to a child. If there were gaps it was because parents had ordered more tickets than they used or because children were ill and parents chose not to come.

We had a very Christmassy day today with all of the children wearing their Christmas jumpers for Save the Children. We also had an amazing Christmas dinner cooked by Diane and her team and I want to thank them all for everything they did...it tasted amazing!

We also had the first two of our RSE parental focus group meetings this week. It was great to get parental feedback on the upcoming changes to the RSE curriculum and I want to thank those parents who attended the meetings. The last one is on Wednesday next week and we are again hoping for a similarly good turn out.

Lastly, I want to thank you all for being so accommodating yesterday with the polling station being on site at the school. It was a crazy day and we only got through it thanks to your support. Have a great weekend and I will catch up with you all next week. Mr Blackburn & the Ellenbrook Staff

Important reminder... Important reminder...

- * PTA Christmas Disco—Thursday 19th December.
- * End of term—Friday 20th December.

ELLENBROOK DIARY DATES

DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16/12/2019—EYFS Panto • 17/12/2019—Year 6 trip tot eh maritime museum • 18/12/2019—EGT final • 19/12/2019—PTA Disco • 20/12/2019—KS2 Carol service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6/1/2020 - INSET Day School Closed • 7/1/2020 - Start of the Spring Term • 8/1/2020 - PTA Meeting @ 7pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5/2/2020 - PTA Meeting @7pm • 7/2/2020 - PTA Quiz Night • 14/2/2020 - Year 4 Assembly – Parents invited 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2/3/2020—6/3/20 - Book Week- all year groups • 2/3/2020—English workshop for parents • 2/3/2020—3/3/2020—Year 2 Bring yer wellies

Things to Remember from the Office....

- If your child is absent from school for any reason, please let us know as soon as possible by calling or emailing the school office. If your child is off for more than a day, we still need you to call in with a detailed message explaining their absence.
- Please can you let the office know if your child is going home with another adult before pick up.
- 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...

1. Yr3 Amazons Science Topic
2. KS1 Karate club letter
3. Social Media Letter



Crowdfunding Update!

Just a reminder our crowdfunding campaign closes tomorrow. There's still time to contribute!

The link to the crowdfunding page <https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/shine-a-light-1>

Job Vacancy—Welfare Assistant

Grade: 1A - £2,844 - £2,901

Working Hours: 6.25 - term time only

Contract Type: Permanent

Closing date: Monday 16th December 2019 - 12.00 noon

We have a great team spirit at Ellenbrook Primary school and look forward to welcoming new staff into our exciting and forward thinking learning environment.

You will need to:

- Be calm, creative, flexible and understanding in your approach
- Promote positive attitudes to play, learning and all aspects of school life
- Provide social training for pupils, for example, table manners and the correct use of cutlery

Shortlisting date: Monday 16th December

Interviews: Thursday 19th December

If you would like any additional information, please contact the Head Teacher Mr Roger Blackburn.

<https://salfordjobs.engageats.co.uk/ViewVacancyV2.aspx?enc=mEgrBL4XQK0+ld8aNkwYmAb8JZEK4dUSMdvahB3mS1F5QWX9iinqNJ2Tfh+60wclfe1sgBP175qurRsBXBI4AXguf/O/d3htf8fjFDicW0sc9n4sllVz/i+LFJENUeY0v0N+f/ewTdAXKRDRcD8rw==>

In the classroom this week.....

Nursery!

Nursery have made marshmallow snowmen this morning. They have been practising their fine motor skills by putting the marshmallows on a cocktail stick, squeezing the icing and putting mini smarties on as eyes and buttons. [#ellenbrook-nursery](#)

Reception!

Reception you have completely blown us away! What an AMAZING performance of Whoops-a-Daisy Angel! [#nativity](#) [#superstars](#) [#receptionmaple](#) [#receptionbeech](#)

Year 1!

Year One's cheeky elves have set them a challenge - do they have what it takes to work at the wrapping station? They have to show they know their shapes first! [#ellenbrookyear1](#) [#maths](#) [#ellenbrookmathematicians](#)

Year 2!

Year 2 busy investigating reflective surfaces this morning in class. We are loving observing and discovering which objects sparkle and shine.

Year 3!

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Year 4!

In Year 4 we have been spotting the Christmas elf in lots of unusual places! On top of the tree and inside Henry's air-raid shelter.

Year 5!

[#year5rockrts](#) are working on their rainforest collages and having a little Christmas carol sing along

Year 6!

Year 6 getting creative making bridges. I wonder which one will be the strongest?

Parking

I had a very irate resident on the phone yesterday who had her drive blocked by Ellenbrook parents and was 'verbally abused' by two of them.

This is not acceptable behaviour from anyone and I would again ask you to be respectful of our residents when dropping your child off and picking them up.

Christmas Jumper Day!

A massive thank you to you all for supporting our Save the Children Christmas Jumper day. It was great to see so many of the children in their jumpers supporting what is such a valuable cause. We raised over £200



CLUBS

Year Group	DAY	ACTIVITY
Yr 3-6	MONDAY	Gymnastics
Yr 1&2	WEDNESDAY	Gymnastics
Yr 3-6	WEDNESDAY	Cross Country
Yr 5 & Yr 6	WEDNESDAY	High 5 Netball
Yr 5 & Yr 6	THURSDAY	Football
Yr 3-6	THURSDAY	Choir
Yr 3-6	FRIDAY	Chess
Yr 6	THURSDAY (8.00 am)	Boosters