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The Ellenbrook News

The weekly newsletter for Ellenbrook Community Primary School

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Important Diary Dates

September

- * 2nd - Start of term for all pupils
- * More dates to follow

October

- * 8th - Reception Pine Forest Schools Trip
- * 9th - Reception Cedar Forest Schools Trip
- * 16th - Intrahealth flu vaccinations
- * 23rd - Break up for half term

November

- * 2nd - First day back after half term
- * More dates to follow
- * More dates to follow
- * More dates to follow

December

- * 18th - End of Autumn term
- * More dates to follow
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Walking Down a One Way Street ...

It has been a fab week at Ellenbrook even if all the talk has been about Covid once again. I saw the Prime minister's announcement and wondered what the future holds for us and for schools in particular as we enter the next phase of dealing with Covid. We have also been reviewing our risk assessment this week which I will share next week and it has given us a chance to take stock of what is and isn't working now we have been open for a few weeks. The one way system is working in the most part but we have had a lot of parents this week going against the flow of traffic and not walking all the way around the school. I have popped a message on the back of the newsletter about this, but please can you stick to the rules for the safety of everyone.

Work is in full swing now and the children are pretty much back into the way of working following a long period of not being in school. We are currently finalising our plans to provide the children with catch up support and I think this is most likely to come in the form of the children having extra sessions within school time to boost them in areas the staff have identified as needing extra support. I will write to you over the coming week to explain how this programme will work and whether your child has been selected to get the extra sessions.

Today was also our Macmillan Coffee Morning in school with every child receiving a home made cookie. It has been great to still support this charity with the ongoing Covid situation and I want to thank you all very much for your generous donations. I am happy to report we raised over £300 which is a fantastic effort.



Just a final reminder to read the whole of the newsletter. Lots of things have changed on the second page and we'd love you to read them. Lastly, we hope you all have a very relaxing and enjoyable weekend! Mr Blackburn & the Ellenbrook Staff



*** IMPORTANT REMINDER ***

- * Inform us if your child is unwell via the absence line or WEDUC
- * Autumn Term Holiday Club booking opened today!

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.
- ⇒ Please remember be kind to our office staff :) We are all experiencing a new way of working and the office staff are doing the very best they can to keep up with parental queries.

Thoughtful Time

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

1. What's the worst thing you've done?

The worst thing I have done is get in a fight with my little brother.

2. How did you feel?

I felt bad because I love him and I want to protect him.

3. Do you run away or face up to situations?

I always say sorry to him but he tells me off so I cry and run to my room.

Year 3, Peel

1. What's the worst thing you've done?

The worst thing I have done is being very argumentative and being taken to the naughty step.

2. How did you feel?

I felt really bad sitting on the bottom step until my dog came in and had her toy ready to play.

3. Do you run away or face up to situations?

Normally I'll fight back but sometimes I have to 'sense the tone' which is annoying

Year 5, Ellesmere

1. What's the worst thing you've done?

I took my brother's sweets and I got a pound from my mum's purse.

2. How did you feel?

I felt very scared and very shocked

3. Do you run away or face up to situations?

I don't do the wrong thing because I will get into trouble. I choose not to run away

Year 1, Bridgewater



HOUSE POINTS

BRIDGEWATER	ELLESMERE	LOWRY	PEEL
848	842	976	818

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

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

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.



Letter sent this week.....

This week we have sent letters for...

1. October Holiday club
2. Reading Records procedure
3. Young Minds—World Mental Health Day
4. Reception trip to Damhouse
5. Year 4 Tatton Park Trip



In the classroom this week.....

Nursery!

Nursery have been working their muscles in the morning using our 'flappers' to make different shapes in the air whilst dancing to our favourite songs. It really wakes up our bodies and builds our muscles ready for holding our mark making tools! [#ellenbrooknursery](#)

Reception!

Watch out....there's some scary looking shark in Reception this morning... [#receptioncedar](#) [#receptionpine](#)
Reception Cedar's Sea lions have learnt lots this morning about their animal. Keep your eyes peeled around Ellenbrook for any sea lions on the loose!.... [#receptioncedar](#)

Year 1!

A lovely Monday morning in Year One Beech! We took a walk around our local area looking at physical and human features. [#year1beech](#) [#sunnywalks](#) [#geography](#). In Year 1 Maple this week we are learning number word names [#maths](#) [#year1maple](#)

Year 2!

Year 2 Elm are making delicious meals, they are making sure they use all the food groups. Year 2 Elm are working on representing their numbers in part-whole models, grids and bar models. We can also write the inverse number sentences

Year 3!

Year 3 are sculpting in clay this afternoon. They are creating God heads to complete their Egyptian canopic jars.



Year 4!

Year 4 Amazons have enjoyed performing a range of jumps and leaps during our gymnastics lesson this afternoon [#year4amazons](#) [#gymnastics](#)

Year 5!

Year 5 have had another wonderful week working on their new topics and are very much looking forward to working on the book Holes!

Year 6!

Year 6 have been collecting vocabulary for their writing. Today are stealing vocabulary from each other!

Not So Polite Notice!

I did politely remind you all last week about the one way system and making sure you follow it. This week we have had numerous parents trying to access the site through the Nursery gate to collect from Reception & Year 1 and quite a few who have collected from Year 3 & 5 coming back through the Key Stage 2 gate. We can only keep the school open if the risk assessment is followed and the one way system is key to the risk assessment. I appreciate it is annoying having to walk round but please can we ask you all to stick to rules and not walk against the one way system. Many thanks for your support!



Holiday Club....

I just wanted to remind you all that the booking system for the Autumn Term Holiday club is live today. You will have received a letter about club with your login details and instructions on how to access your account. Places are limited so please book on if you think you'll need the club.



Parking Conduct

Yes, you've guessed it, we have had more complaints this week about the way some of our parents are parking particularly when collecting children at the end of school. It is very important you are sympathetic when parking your cars on the estate.



PTA Smile at Amazon

Just a reminder with Christmas shopping coming up to register for Smile at Amazon. It takes 2 mins to register us as your charity. smile.amazon.co.uk

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

HOUSE CAPTAINS & VICE CAPTAINS



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your school lottery

How it works

It's simple - choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes with a **jackpot prize of up to £25,000!** One of our supporters will win a cash prize every week. Tickets cost just £1 per ticket per week and 40% of all ticket sales are donated to your school.

Draws are conducted every Saturday at 8pm and results are posted online. Winners will be notified via email and the winnings will be paid straight into an account of their choosing.

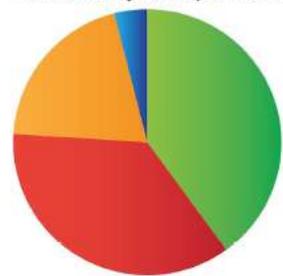
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The maths...
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 = **£2,080** a year for your school

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