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HOUSE POINTS

BRIDGEWATER	ELLESMERE	LOWRY	PEEL
178	168	183	171

Well done to all the children earning a house point this week. It's so close.....all to play for!

Thoughtful Time

In Thoughtful Time this week we have been thinking about solid foundations....

1. Do you learn about life from others?

Yes because we can learn the rights and wrongs from people you respect, normally your role models, or from idiots. You can understand the importance in life.

2. Is your life built on solid foundations?

Yes because I've been brought up to respect others, have manners and behave politely. Also, I have got family and friends that help to guide me through my life.

3. What does life mean to you?

Life is a journey, you can adapt and have a playful spirit and join your friends or you can carve a pathway which works for you.

It's like a box of chocolates, you never know which flavoured one you are about to bite into.

Ellesmere, Year 5



THE KEY 2 LIFE

THE POINT OF LIFE

Learn from others and learn from yourself

What a Week....!

It has been an amazing week at Ellenbrook which has contained good news as well as lots of surprises. We welcomed Amy Tinkler to assembly this week who was a bronze medalist at the 2016 Olympics in Brazil. It was a very inspiring assembly and Amy ended it with a little demonstration of a free cartwheel and some very excellent news which I will be revealing to you in a week or so ;). It was so nice to hear from Amy that she was just like our children sitting in an assembly dreaming about her future. Who knows what future athletes, politicians, film stars we have in our midst.

We also started our new assembly theme which is based around fables and moral stories. We also had our first visit from Claudio Mourinho, Jose's famous brother. I hope the children enjoyed it and picked up on some of the morals we have looked at this week which are the foundations we have in our lives. We will look at a different story each week and focus on a range of values in these assemblies.

We had our PTA meeting this week and I want to thank the hardy bunch who turned up to support the cause. Just a reminder that there is a PTA Quiz on the 8th February. It was such a great occasion last time, it would be great to see as many of you there as possible.

This week we sent out a major update letter that included a lot of information. We will now try and do this every term to make communication a little easier particularly when we have a lot of important information to pass on to you like the upcoming launch of WEDUC. There is a lot of important information so I would politely ask that you take 5 minutes to sit down and read it carefully.

Just another reminder about the roads and parking around school. With the weather being the way it is and more of you driving can I ask you to be particularly vigilant. We have still had parents this week walking through the car park which is very dangerous. Please can we ask you not to do that in future. Have a great weekend Mr Blackburn & the Ellenbrook Staff

Important reminder... Important reminder...

- * Assessment evening
- * Nursery trip to Chill Factor

ELLENBROOK DIARY DATES

JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 24/1/2020—WEDUC letter out 24/1/2020—Year 4 Sharks Assembly—Parents Invited 27/1/2020—Assessment Evening 27/1/2020—WEDUC launch 27/1/2020—Nursery trip Chill Factor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5/2/2020 - PTA Meeting @7pm 8/2/2020 - 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 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1/4/20 - PTA Meeting @ 7pm 3/4/2020 - Last day of Spring term 20/4/2020 - Start of Summer term

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. Payment for Residential Trips
2. Update letter
3. PTA Quiz Night Reminder
4. Young Voices Final Arrangements
5. Year 1 – Spring 1 Topic
6. Cross Country – Final race of the season
7. Holiday Club—February Half term



In the classroom this week.....

Nursery!

Winter has set in across Nursery! We have been creating frosty patterns, counting snowballs into numbered pots and pretending to be explorers using the snow cave.

Reception!

In Reception are learning all about money in maths! Today they have been busy playing in their toy shop The children have been counting pennies, comparing prices and even giving change...

Year 1!

Year 1 enjoyed using the computers today to create winter pictures. They worked on developing mouse control and their understanding of the Paint program.

Year 2!

Exploring newspaper features in year 2 in preparation for their report about the terrifying tornado in our Lizzie and the Birds story.

Year 3!

Swallows are busy calculating amounts of money today and improving multiplication skills on Timetable Rockstars.

Year 4!

Of course ... it is Paddington Bear! Year 4 have used Google Earth to find out that Peru is a country in South America. They are labelling a map to show the 12 countries and 3 dependent territories of the continent.

Year 5!

WOW WOW WOW [#year5rockets](#) have just blown my socks off with their singing and instrument playing! You will soon get a live stream of our performance ... watch this space !

Year 6!

Playing some games with our Year 5 and 6 word list. The children are bringing the lists home tonight.

Welfare Assistant Vacancy

Grade: 1A, - £3,413 - £3,481

Working Hours: 7.50 - 11.45am - 13.15pm Monday - Friday, Term Time Only.
Contract Type: Permanent

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

Any offer of employment for this post will be subject to a satisfactory Enhanced Criminal Records Bureau Disclosure. All applicants will be considered on the basis of suitability for the post regardless of sex, race or disability. This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Our core data protection obligations and commitments are set out in the council's primary Recruitment and Employment Privacy Notice which can be found at <https://www.salford.gov.uk/gdpr>

Continuous service commitment

New employees can now keep their service related benefits when moving between a whole host of public sector organisations within Greater Manchester, which include: Councils, NHS, Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue, Transport for Greater Manchester, as well as many others.

Diversity and Inclusion

We are committed to developing a culture which respects individuals, appreciates difference and allows everyone regardless of background to reach their full potential. We are proud to be an accredited disability confident employer and a Stonewall Diversity Champion. We understand how hard it can be to combine caring for a loved one with work so we aim to provide support and flexibility to balance family and caring responsibilities with work <https://greater.jobs/content/9189/diversity-and-inclusion>.

Please be aware overseas checks will be required if you have lived or worked abroad continuously or in total for 3 months or more over the last 5 years, or 12 months or more over the last 10 years, whilst aged 16 or over. For more information, please visit <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/criminal-records-checks-for-overseas-applicants>

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

Application & Shortlisting date: Monday 20th January 2020 12.00 noon

Interviews: Friday 24th January 2020.

Congratulations Franki

Huge congratulations to Franki in Year 3 who has just been offered a contract by Rochdale Football Club.

It takes such a lot of hard work, effort and determination to achieve an academy contract and we are all very proud of Franki! Well done!



CLUBS

KEY STAGE	DAY	ACTIVITY
KS2	MONDAY	Circuits
KS1	MONDAY	Karate
KS1	WEDNESDAY	Circuits
KS2	THURSDAY	Football
KS2	THURSDAY	Choir
KS2	FRIDAY	Chess
Yr 6	THURSDAY (3.30 pm)	Boosters



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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.

The easiest and quickest way to join our lottery is online where you can set up your payment either by direct debit or one off payment card. Alternatively, set up can be done over the phone using the contact details below.

It's so easy to join and you could make a real difference to your school.

The maths...
100 tickets sold means
- £30 a week cash prize
- £2,080 a year for your school

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