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COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

# The Ellenbrook News

The weekly newsletter for Ellenbrook Community Primary School

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## House Point Totals

This weeks' House Point totals are...

<b>BRIDGEWATER</b> .....	1,802
<b>ELLESMERE</b> .....	1,789
<b>LOWRY</b> .....	1,764
<b>PEEL</b> .....	1,955

We have frozen the House Point tally until the end of term.....to keep the children in suspense!

## Ellenbrook Diary Dates

### JULY

12/7/2019	Yr 1-6 Sports Day Races (PM)
15 & 17/7/2019	Year 3 - 5 Production
18/7/2019	Year 6 Summer Production of Bugsy
19/7/2019	PTA Quiz - 7pm
22/7/2019	Year 6 Leavers BBQ
23/7/2019	Year 6 Leavers' Meal
24/7/2019	End of Summer Term

### September

3/10/2019	INSET Day—School Closed
4/10/2019	Beginning of the Autumn term

## **Important reminder... Important reminder...**

- ★ Please remember to send your child to school with a water bottle
- ★ PTA Quiz—19th July 2019
- ★ Year 3-5 Summer production
- ★ Year 6 production

## **Getting Close Now.....!**

A great week and very busy one as the Key Stage 2 children prepare for their performances next week. Sadly, I am not able to be at Monday night's performance as I am at the DfE for a meeting. I wish them the best and I am looking forward to seeing the performance on Wednesday, as I am Bugsy. I haven't seen any of the Year 6 play yet and want to see it for the first time with those of you coming to watch. I have to say I am very much looking forward to it.

We currently have the end of year parental survey running which is your main way of giving your feedback on the school. Please can I ask as many of you as possible to complete the survey (Amazons are leading as I write this!) so we get a rounded view of the school. If you are very happy with the school and don't feel the need to complete surveys like this, can I please ask you to make an exception. We would like to hear from a wide sphere of parents to give us a good indication of where we are going as a school. I will only take 5-10 minutes and would me a lot to us as a school.

As I write this newsletter, I am expecting a very successful and enjoyable sports day if the weather co-operates! I am glad we managed to fit it in before the end of term as I think competitive sport is such a key experience for children and it also helps us to promote the house competition.

Just a reminder that as the weather is getting more humid the children do need to have a water bottle in school in order for them to stay hydrated during the day.

This is a very busy end to the term and there are a lot of events coming up. Please can I ask you to check all messages thoroughly and if you are unsure about anything, please do contact the office to let us know. Have a great weekend!  
Mr Blackburn & the Ellenbrook Staff

## Thoughtful Time

This week we have been thinking about evil and how we fight it.....

### **1. How do you cope with Evil?**

- 'By saying that's not very nice and walking away.'
- 'Don't panic. Don't get worried. Tell a grown up.'
- 'I just try to ignore it and play with my friends.'

### **2. Have you ever stood up to Evil?**

- 'No. But you would need to be brave to do that.'

Sometimes in films people do like when Kevin stood up to the robbers in Home Alone.'

- 'Some people stand up to evil.'

### **3. Is it possible to fight evil?**

- 'Yes if people are strong they can stand up to evil.'
- 'You have to be positive and that can fight evil.'
- You need to be really brave to fight evil.'
- 'Yes.'

You need to be mature to fight evil.'

Year 1 Discoverers




**LEARN 2 LOVE**

**LOVE FIGHTS FOR THE TRUTH**

**WHERE WILL YOU SHINE GOD'S LIGHT?**



### 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 or your child's class teacher know if your child is going home with another adult before pick up.
- Can we remind you all to check your Parent Pay account for messages and communications from the school. Please can we also ask you to read the e-mails sent from the office. Any reply slips or other correspondence for the office should be posted into the white metal letterbox outside the entrance to the school building.
- 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.
- Answerphone messages are picked up throughout the day, we may not always respond immediately if the office is very busy. We would ask you to be patient if you haven't heard from us, your query will be answered the same day.



### Letter sent this week.....

This week we have sent letters for...

- KS2 sports day final letter
- Yr6 SATS
- Month of music = Yr4 Recorder
- Yr4 in sept – Dewa Trip Chester
- Yr6 Watersports



### In the classroom this week.....

#### Nursery!

We have had a great time hearing all about the children's pets today! Thank you for your photos. Some of the children have been talking about which pets they would like to have, with a Komodo dragon being the most popular! [#ellenbrook-nursery](#)

#### Reception!

A very creative and imaginative afternoon for Reception Oak and Elm. "What could this box be?" The children have worked together to create different vehicles, hats and robots! [#oak](#) [#receptionelm](#) [#teamwork](#) [#creativity](#)

Outdoor maths! Reception Oak have been practicing their number formation by using chalks to write down the answers to Miss Bradley's maths challenges [#maths](#) [#oak](#)

#### Year 1!

We have had a fun filled morning in Discoverers taking our Bog Babies on an adventure! We noted down what our Bog Baby did, ready to write 'A day in the life of a Bog Baby' next week! [#year1](#) [#english](#)

#### Year 2!

Year 2 are using their IT skills to research the countries from our book Snail Mail [#crosscurricularlearning](#)

#### Year 3!

Year 3 Jets have been acting this afternoon. We have made short plays to show what the earthquake on Pompeii could have looked and felt like.

#### Year 4!

Year 4 Rockets have been finding out how their heart beat increases during exercise and are recording the results on a time graph. [#year4rockets](#) [#crosscurricularlearning](#)

#### Year 5!

Today we have done our budgets and written our shopping list. George has been persuading the rest of the class to club together their left over 5ps and 15ps to buy one more bar!

#### Year 6!

Rehearsals rehearsals rehearsals We are all getting very excited! [#bugsy](#)

### CUB LEADER REQUIRED....

11th Worsley CUBS (meeting at Ellenbrook on Tuesday evenings) desperately need a new Leader.

We have explored all possibilities available to us and are now appealing for your help. Should we not be able to source assistance to the leadership team, CUBS MAY BE FORCED TO CLOSE AT THE END OF THIS TERM.

We do have a volunteer to help each week but need someone else.

If you could spare an hour 1/2 a week, on a Tuesday 6.30 - 8pm we need to hear from you. We would be able to supply a fully functioning programme for you to deliver and a full training package for the role, supported by a very experienced executive team.

There are many benefits that come with being a cub leader and a part of the Scout Association.

Please contact Matt at [matt@11thworsley.org.uk](mailto:matt@11thworsley.org.uk) to discuss further.

### Lost property

Just a reminder that any lost property left at school will be recycled over the summer!

### Leave in Exceptional Circumstances Requests

We have had an influx of requests for approval of holidays in term time. Please can I remind you that requests for leave in exceptional circumstances will not be agreed if the request is for a holiday during term time. As Head Teacher, I do have the discretion to authorise such requests, but a family holiday during term time does not count as an exception. This is also the stance of the Local Authority not just the school.

The school expects all children to attend as regularly as possible and a holiday, for whatever reason, is not counted as exceptional circumstances.

### Car Park

Please can I remind you all not to enter or exit the school via the staff car park. On occasion these gates are open and I know it's tempting but there are vehicles that use that on a regular basis and some of them are quite large lorries. We would hate for anyone to be hurt in the car park.

### Parking

Please be respectful when dropping off and picking up and not double parking or parking half on the curb and half on the road blocking the walkways.



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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.**

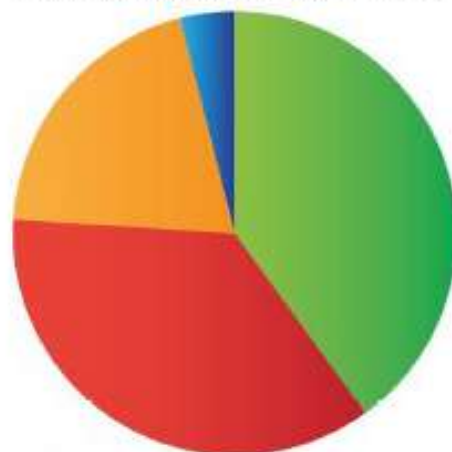


### The maths...

100 tickets sold means  
= **£30** a week cash prize  
= **£2,080** a year for your school

## Where does your money go?

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