

Ellesmere Primary School

Weekly Newsletter 08.09.2017



Lunch Menu
Week 2

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A Message from the Deputy Headteacher

Mr Everett is recovering well from his recent knee replacement surgery and we wish him a speedy recovery.

It has been a great start to the New Year and all children have settled in well and are happy to be back with their friends. We would like to welcome Mrs Clarke, Year 4 Teacher, and Miss Thomas, TA Apprentice supporting in Reception, who have joined our team for this academic year. We are looking forward to another exciting year ahead!

Upcoming Events September

Thursday 14th **Year 5 Roman Visit**

Friday 15th **Year 6 Lifeline Visit**

Friday 22nd **PTA Summer Fair**

Upcoming Events October

Wednesday 4th *KS1 Harvest Morning*

Friday 6th *The Book Share*

Saturday 7th *Car Boot Sale 9am*

Wednesday 11th *EYFS Harvest Lunch*

Friday 13th *Beetle Drive*

Monday 16th-
20th *The Book People Book Fair*

Wednesday 18th *Year 5 & 6 Awful Auntie Theatre Visit*

Thursday 19th *Curriculum Open Afternoon*

Friday 20th *Good to be Green*

Car Boot Sale

The school will be holding its first car boot sale on Saturday 07 October. As this will be our first we are unsure of how much uptake we will get and have therefore allocated 40 spaces for cars who want to sell items.

Pitch set up will commence from 8am with selling starting from 9am until 12pm.

A payment item for £5 will be set up on Monday 11th September. This will go live at 4.30pm in order to give everyone equal opportunity to secure a place. Please note that in order to reserve your space you will need to pay a £5, please note that this is a non-fundable payment should you wish to cancel at a later date.

Staff Development

During the PD Day the staff met to review Safeguarding procedures in school. An action plan has been implemented and we appreciate your continued support. We reviewed our School Development Plan and have set specific targets for this year. Mr Steve Docking, CEO of the Trust, visited yesterday and visited each class. School has undergone various improvements over the summer and teachers have worked hard to create stimulating learning environments.

New School Uniform

It has been great to see so many children wearing our new school uniform and looking extremely smart!

Parents please ensure that all items of clothing are labelled with your child's name, when an item of clothing is misplaced we would like to be able to return them to their rightful owner.

Thank you.

School Grounds

Please ensure children dismount scooters and bikes when coming onto the school grounds for the safety of other children and themselves.

Can parents also refrain from parking on the school grounds when dropping off and collecting children? The school grounds are for staff parking only.



PTA

All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend a PTA meeting which is taking place on Friday 15th September at 8:45am. This will be an informal coffee morning with information regarding what our PTA do for the school and the organisation involved for events we hold here at school. They are desperately seeking new members to join their team and help support them in advance of the Summer Fair.

Please come along and we look forward to seeing you.

As you are aware the Summer Fair was cancelled in July due to the weather conditions. This will take place on Friday 22nd September. The PTA are still in need of the following:

Tombola prizes (adults and children)

Toys (in good working order)

Bags of fun size sweets for our Pick'n'Mix stall

Adult Tombola prizes (Toiletries etc)

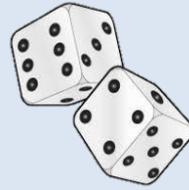
Children Tombola prizes



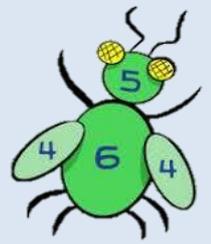
Teddies for the Teddy Tombola

Games (outdoor) and prizes for the Summer Lotto Game

All donations would be gratefully received so we can make this year's Summer Fair as successful as last year.



Beetle Drive



This year we are holding a Beetle Drive on **Friday 13th October at 6pm** in order to raise funds for school. We would like to make this a huge success so please keep this date in mind. More information will be sent out to parents in due course.

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD



S O L I H U L L A P P R O A C H

Following yet another successful 'Understanding your Child Course' I'm pleased to say that we will be running the course again. This will take place from Monday 18th September 2017 from 9.30am.

We have a few spaces left, if you are interested please email me at

powell.s@ellesmere-pri.shropshire.sch.uk



Here's what our parents thought

"This course is superb. I wish I'd done it sooner."

"I took the calm listening approach and within 15 minutes everything was sorted".

"I was unsure of what to expect..... It will change our lives!!".

"This has definitely helped me to cope with the day –to-day demand of being a parent. This is a fantastic course."

"I cannot express how fantastic and beneficial this course has been. I feel more confident and in tune with my children".

"I have gained so much confidence My children are happier and more able to tell me what they need".

"Really helpful listening to different perspectives, when talking about own experiences aloud".

"I would recommend this to anyone, who would like to make changes however small".



Rainbows are looking for volunteers to help run their group in Ellesmere.

Rainbows is exciting, messy, friendly and a lot of fun for girls age 5-7. Rainbows learn by doing – they get their hands dirty, do sports, arts and crafts and play games.

But we need adult helpers to supplement a rota to help an existing team.

Rainbows will commence on Wednesday 20th September at Ellesmere Town Hall from 5.00pm to 6.15pm

If you are interested, please contact Helen Jackson 01691 624 310 or email h.ashdown@gmail.com
You can also look on <http://girlguiding.org.uk/> for more information.



Year 4 Bewdley Museum Visit



On Wednesday, the year 4 team had the pleasure of taking their children to Bewdley museum to experience life as an evacuee during World War 2. The children learnt all about the blitz and rationing, they even had the experience of sitting in a real life shelter which was discovered at Bewdley in 2007 after garden clearance! This has been a fantastic hook for the children as we start our topic about World Conflicts and the team would like to thank all the staff, volunteers (Nelly, Alison and Ellie) and parents for helping to make it a fabulous day



CLYDEBUILT PUPPET THEATRE DINOSAUR DETECTIVES

Friday 6th October, 6.15pm

Ellesmere College Arts Centre, Shropshire, SY12 9AB

Dinosaur Detectives follows a fascinating journey surrounding the first fossil finds of Mary Anning, William Buckland and Gideon Mantell. Their finds changed the face of history when they discovered bones of creatures that became known in Victorian times as Dinosaurs. A performance with rod puppets, shadow play and large-scale projections shows the fascination, fun and the conflict that surrounds the search for 'Dinosaurs'.

Tickets Adults: £8 Child: £5 Family: £28

Enquiries: 01691 626545

Buy Tickets Online at www.artsalive.co.uk

Ellesmere Primary School
Achieves BRONZE



We are delighted to announce that we, Ellesmere Primary School have achieved the **Bronze** School Games Mark Award for the 2016/17 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

Our sporting achievements this year include: Brilliant Sports Days, competitions throughout the year, academy competitions and personal achievements out of school.

With a total of [number of participants] young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

A special thanks to:

All parents and children that have supported us and participated in competitions.

We look forward to applying once again in 2018!

