



Ellesmere Primary School

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Lunch Menu
Week 1



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A Message from the acting Headteacher

It has been another extremely busy week at Ellesmere Primary. Road safety has been a focus in Year 3 this week, and this couldn't come at a more appropriate time, as it has come to my attention that cars are being driven onto school grounds in order to drop off and pick up children. This poses an unacceptable risk to children and therefore we would ask, again, that cars are parked safely away from school during these times. School car parks are for staff only. Keeping your children safe is our number 1 priority, and we will continue to work to improve the pedestrian arrangements on the site.

Please remember to send your extreme reading photos in! I am looking forward to another great week next week!



Please explore our website and twitter for news and events at Ellesmere Primary School

<http://ellesmereprimaryschool.org.uk/>

<https://twitter.com/EllesmerePS>



January	
Wednesday 31 st	Parents Evening
February	
Thursday 1 st Feb	Parents Evening
Friday 2 nd	PD Day
Thursday 8 th	Ian Bland Poet Visit
Friday 9 th	Ian Bland Poet Visit
Friday 9 th	Family Fun Event – Details TBC
Monday 12 th	Poetry Week
Thursday 15 th	Curriculum Open Afternoon
Friday 16 th	Good to be Green
March	
Thursday 1 st	World Book Day
Friday 2 nd	Book Share –(Reception – Year 4)
Saturday 17 th	Car Boot Sale
Saturday 17 th	Open Day
Friday 23 rd	Sports Relief
Wednesday 28 th	PTA Easter Disco
Thursday 29 th	Easter Eggstravaganza
Thursday 29 th	Good to be Green

** Please note details for events will be sent nearer the time. Please take note of the PD Day on Friday 2nd February, children will NOT be in school on that day.

Staff Development

Staff Development – This week has been another busy one. Mrs Gathercole and Mrs Schwarz travelled to Delamere to take part in a Year 6 moderation meeting, focusing on standards across the trust. Phase groups met together discussing our whole school focus on reading, moderation of writing and progression in handwriting and spelling.

Breakfast before school

We are aware that not all children are having a breakfast before coming to school and is hindering their ability to focus in lessons. Breakfast is indeed a very important meal. A good breakfast fuels you up and gets you ready for the day. In general, children who eat breakfast have more energy, do better in school, and eat healthier throughout the day. Without breakfast, children can get irritable, restless, and tired, so please ensure your children's tummies are full and they have eaten a well-balanced breakfast before attending school.



Parent Workshops

We are delighted to announce the dates of our next two Parent Workshops, the first of which are taking place on Wednesday 7th February.

In response to parent feedback, and having trialed it in Year 2 last year, we are changing the format slightly. We are inviting you into the classroom, to take part in a session with your child. During this session, your child's teacher will demonstrate the methods, vocabulary and teaching language used in school. There will be an opportunity to have a go, ask questions and take part alongside your child. Year 2 – 6 will be focusing on maths and the four rules, demonstrating the calculation methods used in school, whilst Year 1 focuses on phonics in preparation for the forthcoming screening in June.

There are two sessions, 9am and 6pm, with a crèche available for the later session, as we want both you, and the other parents, to be able to give your full focus to the session. Please let the office know if you require a place in the crèche for younger siblings.

The second date is Wednesday 14th March and we will send details out regarding the focus of these sessions after February half term.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Family Fun Event



After the success of the Beetle Drive last term, we are excited to give you details of our next family fun event! On Friday 9th February, we will be hosting a BINGO night. Doors open at 5.45pm, with the first game commencing at 6pm. As previously, your ticket price will include a hot dinner - curry, rice & chips for the adults and chicken nuggets and chips for the children - as well as the BINGO games. There will be a very reasonably priced bar available and lots of prizes to be won. Seats are limited and tickets are available from the office.

Absences

If your child is absent from school please inform the school office, Miss Taylor or Mrs Smith, either by Class Dojo or telephone by 9.00am.

Please ensure you provide a reason as to why your child is absent from school, if no reason is provided this may result in your child being marked as an unauthorized absence.

Mountain Adventure



Ryan and Cameron went on a fantastic adventure last week, here's what Ryan has to say:

"On Sunday 14th January, me and Cameron went for a scout mountain walk and earned a mountaineering badge. First, we were walking along the road and getting near the top. Next we were walking along the mountain and saw sheep bones. Me and Cameron walked for 5-6 hours on the mountains."

★ Shining Stars ★

Scotland - Amelia

Sydney - Riley

Wales - Max



Los Angeles - Evelyn

Paris - Alfie

Washington - Oliver

Madrid - Delilah



Istanbul - Jake

Athens - Sienna

Moscow - Grace

Lisbon - Anna

Vancouver - Frank

Brisbane - Amelia

Tokyo - George