



Ellesmere Primary School

Weekly Newsletter 13.09.19



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**Lunch
Menu
Week 3**

A Message from the Headteacher

This week has passed in a flash and the summer holidays feel like a distant memory. Children have been getting really stuck in to their mini-missions and beginning to make the connections that is the hallmark of excellent learning. As I hope you already know, we take the health and well-being of all those in our school community very seriously, and with that in mind I am very pleased to announce that we have secured the support of a very experienced counsellor, who will be working in school every Monday. Her name is Lia, and she will be available to work with children who are in need of support for things such as, bereavement, anxiety, anger management, family breakups, and any other worries that a child may have. Lia works successfully with a number of other schools in our Trust, and has been helping to improve the lives of children, young people, adults and families for nearly 20 years. Lia is an accredited member of the BACP (British Association of Counsellors and Psychotherapists) and works within their well established ethical framework. We will be operating a referral system, so that as many children as possible can benefit from her services. Discussion and consent from a parent will always be sort before any counselling is undertaken. However, Lia will also be available at break and lunchtimes for children to come and talk to her informally. If you would think your child would benefit from this type of support, please speak to their class teacher or request a referral form from the school office or Mrs Powell. In addition to this fantastic and important resource, I am very pleased to say that Mrs Powell will be returning to her role as a full time Learning Mentor in school. She will be available to support children and families throughout the week, and running a range of group sessions designed to build resilience, confidence, calmness and other important life skills. Children can not learn unless they feel safe and happy, and with the support of Lia and Sue, on top of care and consideration that our staff already give on a daily basis, I have every confidence that even more children will reach their full potential.

Appeal for help!

Reading is one of our key priorities and a VITAL life skill. We aim for every child to read to an adult at least once per week in school (much more frequently for younger children). This is only made possible by our generous volunteers who give up their time to listen to readers. As is always the case, WE NEED MORE LISTENERS! If you are available to listen to children read once a week, even for just half an hour, please leave your name and contact details with the office, or your class teacher. I look forward to seeing even more of you in school very soon.

Finally, if you have any spare/outgrown uniform, including swimming kit, please can you bring it in to the school so that it can be distributed to families who need it. Children are all looking very smart in their uniforms, and we need to keep this up throughout the year.

Have a lovely weekend in the sun!

Important Dates

September	
Wednesday 18 th	New Class Welcome 3.30pm and 6.00pm
Wednesday 25 th	Lakelands Open Day
October	
Wednesday 2 nd	Year 3 visit Blue Planet Aquarium
Friday 4 th	Year 6 Lakelands Taster Day
Monday 7 th – Friday 11 th	Year 6 Arthog Residential
Monday 14 th	Year 3 Fire Safety Talk
Thursday 24 th	PTA Disco
Monday 28 th – Friday 1 st	Half Term
November	
Tuesday 5 th	Flu Vaccinations
Wednesday 6 th	EYFS - The Owl Man
Friday 8 th	Individual School Photo's
Wednesday 13 th	Parents Evening
Thursday 14 th	Parents Evening
Thursday 21 st	Year 5 Visit to Erddig Hall
December	
Wednesday 18 th	Year 3 and 4 Trust Swimming Gala
Friday 20 th	Last Day of School – Christmas Holidays

Open Farm Weekend

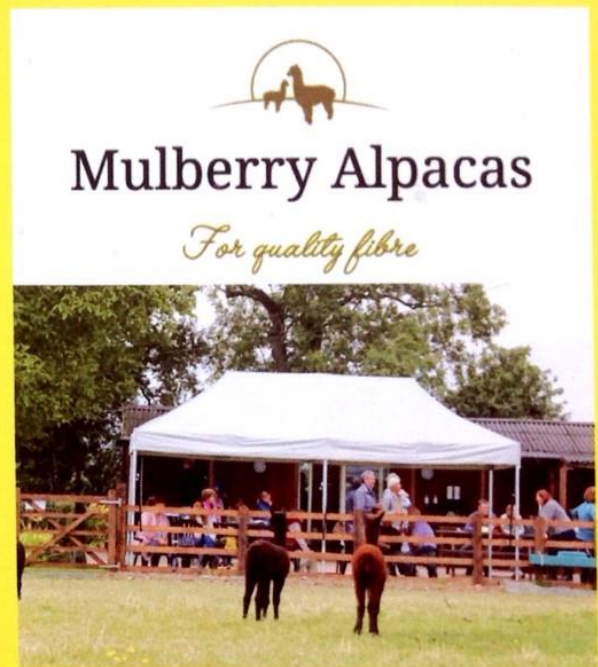
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