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Healthy School

Friday 21st October 2016

Hello everyone,

Miss Begum is settling in well with our Year 3/4 class and I am pleased to have her working as part of our team here at Westminster. I am also pleased to welcome Ms Hughes to our team as our bursar. She started with us on Monday and is thoroughly enjoying her new role here at our school.

We will be saying goodbye to Mrs Forster next Friday as she leaves us to pursue her dream of being a Teaching Assistant. She will be missed and I am sure you will join with me in wishing her every success for the future.

I thoroughly enjoyed seeing the entries arrive for The Autumn Show. A big thank you to all the creative folk who entered, to Miss Smethurst for designing the certificates and to the panel of expert judges who gave their time to judging each category. We will hold another show in the Spring Term and invite you to enter cakes, photographs and Easter gifts.

Please send in your donations for the Year 3-6 cinema trips if you haven't already done so.

The children in Reception would like to invite parents/carers to their family tea party on Friday 28th October at 2 pm. This will be a perfect close to the children's first topic 'All About Me'. The children will also be burying their time capsules.

Portside Children's Centre are holding an outdoor session at their Friday "Let's Play" group, on Friday 11th November. The session is aimed at parents with children under 5, and will be a chance to enjoy some campfire fun including toasting marshmallows, singing songs and other fun outdoor activities. It will run from 10.00 am to 11.00 am. No need to book, just go along!

Mr Bartlett and Mrs Gaynor will be hosting a writing workshop on the morning of Tuesday 22nd November. This will be an exciting opportunity for Year 1 and 2 pupils to be involved in some fun writing workshops, based around the picture book "Clickety Clack Something to Pack". Parents are invited to come along to this session to support their child and enjoy working with the author Anthony Lishak.

Going forward, please could you make any cheques payable to **Cheshire West & Chester Council**, rather than to Westminster Community Primary School. This will help us start to streamline some of our financial procedures. But don't worry, it will not affect what you are paying for in any way. Cash payments can be made as usual.

As you know, some important improvements were made to the ceiling in our Year 6 class during the Summer holidays which makes for a better lit and nicer looking environment for our children. We would love Mr Bartlett's Year 1 class to have a ceiling as nice as this, but

have run out of money. The governors have asked that parents sponsor a ceiling tile at £2 a tile so that Mr Lee could carry out the work. Please let us know if you would like to help.

We would really appreciate donations of **Weetabix** for Breakfast Club. Your support really helps us so if you are shopping over the next few days and could pop an extra box in for us that would be fantastic.

As previously outlined in a letter, our additional learning sessions for Year 2 children started on Wednesday 19th October. They will then run every Wednesday (from 3:15pm until 4pm) in preparation for the children's SATs in May. **All children are expected to attend this Improvement Club and the last session for this autumn term will be on Wednesday 14th December.**

Clubs

- **Enrichment Club** is up and running
- **Homework Club** is up and running
- **Study Support Club for Year 6** is up and running
- **Study Support Club for Year 2** is up and running
- **Circuit Training for Year 4 and 5 will start on Mondays after half term.**

Pupil Progress Appointments will be arranged with you in the week of 24th October except for Miss Begum's children who will have theirs arranged for the week of 7th November.

31st October – 4th November **HALF TERM Break** (We return to school on Monday 7th November.)

Monday 14th November: Cinema Trip for Year 3/4 (Pete's Dragon) Please send £2 to help us meet the cost of the coach hire for this trip.

Thursday 17th November: Cinema Trip for Year 5/6 (Jungle Book in 3D) Please send £2 to help us meet the cost of the coach hire for this trip.

Monday 21st November: Year 5/6 Orangutan Project begins. Please send £2 to help us meet the cost of the coach hire for the associated zoo trip which will take place on **Wednesday 23rd November.**

Year 2 residential trip to Tattenhall 6th and 7th June 2017.

Yours faithfully,

Sue Finch (Head Teacher)

Lunch Menu 2 next week. (Menus can be viewed on the school website.)