



Westminster Community Primary School

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Friday 6th October 2017

Hello everyone,

We have all had another full and productive week here at Westminster and it was lovely to see some of you on Tuesday for our Family Lunch. Look out for other dates during the year. A reminder from Mrs Taylor that Year 5/6 children have assessment week next week and will be starting to complete some mock assessment papers.



Also on Tuesday we were visited by a player from the Cheshire Phoenix Basketball Team who talked to us about their first home game (this Sunday) and their match day clinic. We were also treated to a demonstration of some skills and the children were able to ask questions. Visit the School website to see some photographs from the day.

Your children's class Teacher will be holding Parents' Meetings during the week of 16th October. You will be able to speak to them about your child's progress and any concerns or issues that you may have. They will be making contact with you shortly to arrange these.

Mrs Seaward has already set the time slots for her meetings, and all parents of children in Year 3/4 should have received a text message and/or email enabling you to book a slot directly online. Please speak to her or Ms Hughes if you have not received this or are having trouble booking your slot. Going forwards, this system will be used by all year groups so please look out for information about this in due course.

Year 1 enjoyed a trip to the Library today, and ably assisted by our helpers, walked there and back, selected books and also looked at the local war memorial.

Reminder 1:

Could we please remind parents that it is **your** responsibility to inform us if your child is going to be absent from school, through sickness or for any other reason. Messages can be left on the Absence Line.

Reminder 2:

We have quite a few events coming up, including our Poetry Supper in a couple of weeks. I would like to take this opportunity to remind you all that although we love you to attend and take pictures of your child please remember that photographs and videos are for your own personal use only and should **not** be shared on Social Media. Please be respectful of others who may not wish their children to be shown.

Notes for your diary:

Tuesday 10th October – Yr 1 & Yr 2 visiting the Manchester Museum of Science and Industry

Friday 13th October – Go Orange for Orangutan Day (and Cake Sale during morning break)

Monday 16th to Wednesday 18th October – Pupil Progress Meetings 13:15 to 18:30

Thursday 26th October - Poetry Supper 18:30 – Our first poetry themed evening event! The children have been working extra hard and have created some wonderful work which we have compiled into an exciting booklet. We will be launching this at the event and you will be able to purchase a copy on the night. Letters will be coming out to you if your child is one of our published poets.

Friday 27th October – **SCHOOL CLOSED – STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY.**

Week beginning 30th October - Half Term Break

Football Club Every Friday at 3.30 pm to 4.30 pm. This is open to all Year 5/6 children. If your child is attending, please ensure they have paid their £5 towards the cost. This club will be working towards a competition in November and we look forward to seeing how the team progresses.

Homework Club runs on Wednesdays for children in Years 1-6. This club will be dismissed onto the School playground at the appropriate time.

Please note that **Enrichment Club** takes place on Thursdays, in the school hall and at the end of the club (4.15 pm) the children can be picked up from the white school hall door on John Street.

Ms Hughes has a little gift for any KS1 parents who have filled in a **Free School Meals/Pupil Premium application form**. Please return your form to her and she will give you your gift as a Thank You. We know that we already have 10 people to give a gift to so please speak to her on the gate to claim it.

Finally, if you are doing a shop this weekend, we would really appreciate donations of yoghurts or waffles for the Breakfast Club. Many thanks indeed.

Yours faithfully,

Sue Finch

Sue Finch (Head Teacher)

Lunch Menu 3 w/c 9th October 2017. (Menus can be viewed on the school website).

NB: If you are sending grapes with a packed lunch for your child, please ensure that they cut in half to avoid a choking hazard. Please also note that we have children at our School with allergies, so we ask that you **do not include nut products** in any packed lunches.



Dear Parent / Carer,

I am writing to let you know about a new project that a number of schools in Halton, Warrington, Cheshire West & Chester and Cheshire East will be participating in. The project, called Operation Encompass, is being run in partnership with Cheshire Police.

The project, which commenced on Monday 2nd June 2014 aims to support children who are affected by domestic abuse.

Following a domestic abuse incident, the Police will make contact with the school and communicate relevant information to nominated school staff, to ensure that the school are made aware early enough to support children and young people in a way that means they feel safe and included.

Each school has a member of staff (key adult) who is trained to liaise with the police, when required, whilst ensuring support is available to the child.

We are committed to working in partnership, to safeguard and protect children across Cheshire and provide the best possible care and support for our pupils.

In the meantime, if you would like to speak to someone further about the project or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact myself or Mrs Phillips.

You can also find out more about Operation Encompass via the following site:
<http://www.operationencompass.org/>

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