



# Westminster Community Primary School

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Healthy School



Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Hello everyone,

Our School Council members asked if the staff would bring in donations to make Halloween raffle prize. There are now lots of goodies for the children to raffle off and they will be selling tickets for £1 per ticket from **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October**. The prize winner will be selected during assembly on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October**. Well done to all School Councillors for making a good start to your fundraising programme.

Years 1 and 2 enjoyed a visit to the Manchester Museum of Science and Industry on Tuesday. The children all had an amazing time, looking at transport and how steam engines work. See the website for photos of our day out.

A representative from GAFI will be visiting Denis Agaba in Uganda in November and we will be sending 20 footballs for our twin School as a gift. I look forward to sharing news and photos with you later in the year.



Could there really be a Quidditch Tournament soon? A number of elves appeared and now it seems like this will be taking place on **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October**. I look forward to being a spectator for this inter-house competition. A big thank you to the members of staff who are busy behind the scenes organising this event.

If you have been invited to the Poetry Supper on **26<sup>th</sup> October**, please return the ticket request slip asap to us so that we can issue tickets.

Mrs Gaynor will be holding a Year 2 parent's meeting on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October**, 3:10 - 4pm. Children should also be present for this please. The purpose of the meeting is to give you some ideas on how you can help your child and quick overview of SATs. Please note that all Year 2s will be expected to attend to Improvement Club after half term.

Please speak to your child's teacher if you have not already booked your slot for a Parents' Meeting. Years 3/4 and 5/6 are available to book online or via text. Please ask if you are unable to access this.

### 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:**

**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!

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October** – **SCHOOL CLOSED – STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY.**

**Week beginning 30th October - Half Term Break**

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**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 1 w/c 16<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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/>

Yours faithfully,

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