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Healthy School



Friday 10th November 2017

Hello everyone,



Another full week at Westminster. The children have had an introduction to next week's **National Anti-bullying week** and are showing a mature attitude to the themes involved. It is important that our school engages in a range of activities at this time of year as well as our ongoing work throughout the year, and this will be the theme of our assemblies during the week. Our Anti-Bullying Policy is on our school website and on a day-to-day level each member of our school team shows commitment to ensuring that we all work in a school community where we are accepting and kind and where difference is appreciated and celebrated.

All members of the team here know that an effective team is made of good individuals. As always please do not hesitate to contact us if you and your child wish to discuss any aspect of our work in more detail. Children will be bringing home Top Tips on Friday 17th November, so look out for these.

Thank you for the donations you made for Dee Sign Choir in memory of June MacDonald. A total of £95 was collected and left with the family after the service. It was lovely to see so many of June's friends and family at the service which was a real celebration of her life. The best way of remembering people is to aspire to be like them and I know that June has taught us even more about being kind, caring and forgiving and remembering to notice the world around us.

As you know we work with a range of professionals to enhance the work we do here at Westminster. Our most recent School Improvement Adviser report includes the following comments:

"There was clear evidence of active, independent learning with children engaged and taking responsibility for their own learning in all year groups. In all classes, behaviour management was good".

It is always pleasing to read praise from those who are visiting our school and helping us to continually refine the good work we do.

Next Friday, 17th November, is Children in Need day. We would love to see your Pudsey ears or other dressing up delights and if you would like to join in, please donate £1.50.



Open afternoon for maths runs on Tuesday 14th November from 14:00 until 15:00. Please do join us if you can. The only class that won't be taking part this time is our Year 5/6 class as they have a visit that clashes with this opportunity. Family members of pupils in Year R-4 should sign in with Mrs Rennie at the main entrance.

Swimming sessions for Year 1 and 2 begins on **Thursday 23rd November**. Parents should have received a letter which was issued on 12th October. Please refer to this or speak to a member of staff if you have any queries.

We had a very interesting and enjoyable visit on Tuesday, from a gentleman called Imran who delivered a wonderful assembly about the religion Islam. It was good to learn about this and to understand another culture. The children showed that they had engaged with some good learning during this assembly.



Year 3/4 also had a very exciting visit on Wednesday from Mr Egypt. Mr Egypt is a renowned Egyptologist who has much experience in his field and who the children found completely fascinating. The day consisted of stories, artefacts and included the children having to use their imagination by becoming a 4 year old child in Ancient Egyptian times. They particularly loved being mummified by very expensive bandages.... toilet roll!

Mrs Spain is organising for us to take part in this year's Shoe Box Appeal where we hope to create some boxes full of love and items for children, teenagers and families in other countries who may not receive any gifts otherwise. Look out for the list of what are suitable items to include. We hope to be able to fill and send 25 boxes this year, as a School. The School Council and PTA will be completing individual boxes.



Notes for your diary:

Next Saturday, 18th November, is our annual Christmas Fayre. If you would like a stall, please speak to Mrs Spain or a member of the PTA. This year we are combining it with a Winter Show and we would love it if you could take part. Categories will be:

- * Best Christmas wreath
- * Design your own Christmas Stocking
- * Best Christmas poem
- Best Winter Fruit Sculpture

Reminders:

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.

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.

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

Yours faithfully,

Sue Finch

Sue Finch (Head Teacher)

Lunch Menu 1 w/c 13th November 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*

ELLESMERE PORT ROUND TABLE SANTA FLOAT 2017

23rd November – Ellesmere Port Light Padre & Old Wirral Hundred 4.30pm to 9.00pm

Starting Point: Ellesmere Port Civic Hall 4.30pm & Old Wirral Hundred Pub 6.30pm

Route: Ellesmere Port Town Centre, Old Wirral Hundred Pub & Hope Farm Road

29th November - Little Sutton - 6.00pm to 9.00pm

Starting Point: Cheshire Yeoman Pub – 6.00pm

Route: Ledsham Road & Surrounding Areas

4th December – Great Sutton - 6.00pm to 9.00pm

Starting Point: Travellers Rest Pub – 6.00pm

Route: Weatherby Way & Surrounding Areas

6th December – Great Sutton - 6.00pm to 9.00pm

Starting Point: Ye Olde Red Lion Pub – 6.00pm

Route: Rossmore & Surrounding Areas

11th December – Ellesmere Port - 6.00pm to 9.00pm

Starting Point: Grace Arms Pub – 6.00pm

Route: Wolverham Road & Surrounding Areas

13th December – Little Sutton - 6.00pm to 9.00pm

Starting Point: Old Wirral Hundred Pub 6.00pm

Route: Willowdale Way & Surrounding Areas

18th December – Overpool- 6.00pm to 9.00pm

Starting Point: Sir Robert Pub – 6.00pm

Route: Overpool Road & Surrounding Areas

20th December – Whitby - 6.00pm to 9.00pm

Starting Point: The Woodlands Pub – 6.00pm

Route: Underwood Drive & Surrounding Areas

All dates and times are subject to change without notice, please check for the most up to date information about the Santa Float on - our Facebook Page Ellesmere Port Round Table www.facebook.com/ellesmereportroundtable

Thursday
23rd
November
from 5pm

Cheshire West &
Chester Council

Christmas
CELEBRATIONS
Civic Square

Meet Father Christmas
Lantern Parade
Entertainment
Activities
Refreshments

Light
Switch On
at 6pm

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