

Westminster Community Primary School Newsletter

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Lunch Menu week 1

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Thank you for the donations for our harvest festival collection. We have once again managed to make a large collection of goods to send to the Food Bank. An excellent achievement.

It has been noticed that the children look particularly smart when they attend school trips wearing their blue PE tops. This also helps for easy identification in busy places. This has led us to start surveying parents during our recent Parents' meeting sessions. A proposal is now in place to change our uniform so that our day wear is the blue top under a navy jumper or cardigan and PE tops are navy. Obviously this would cost money so we would be looking to support this. If you have not had a chance to have your say please make your opinion known to Mrs Rennie. At present we have 29 family members in favour and 2 who do not like the idea.

The police have reminded us of the importance of keeping all our children safe when they are online or using mobile phones. We all have a role to play in this and it is worth remembering that some children may experience exploitation online that their parents are not aware of. If you ever have any worries there are contact details for organisations that can help on our website or you can ring the **NSPCC** as follows: **Worried about a child or need help and advice? Speak to one of our counsellors 24 hours a day, 7 days a week on 0808 800 5000, or text 88858**

We may be able to get a new sports team kit in exchange for old sky tv equipment. Mrs Spain is co-ordinating this collection so please let her know if you think you can help!

Great News! Madelaine, one of the workers who supports the initiative to plant trees in Uganda, is heading over there in November. She is looking forward to being able to send us some pictures of our trees being planted. Thanks again for the excellent fund raising you did for this great cause. It feels good to be able to make a difference to the world not just our own local area.

You are invited to Family Lunch on Thursday 5th November! We love this event and also the fact that it is so popular with our families. Please book your place with Mrs Rennie if you wish to attend.

If you did not attend your Parents' Meeting appointments please make sure you get this completed as soon after half term as possible. Our best work can only be done in partnership. (Miss Hope's children will have their meetings after half term.)

Our head boy, head girl and deputies will be heading to Chester Zoo in November to present our cheque for £100 from our Go Orange Day. This is one of their first official engagements in their roles and they are excited to have this in their calendar. Hannah from the Zoo is looking forward to it too. Two years ago when we went she said: "The children were an absolute delight, very polite and enthusiastic. Today was definitely one of the highlights of my time at Chester Zoo."

Breakfast: We need donations of juice for Breakfast Club at the moment please and as always we are very grateful to you for your help.

Lunch: If your child is given grapes by our school kitchen staff as part of their lunch these are cut in half to decrease choke risk. We advise you to do this too if you include them in your child's lunchbox.

As many of you are aware Passion for Learning run an after school Enrichment Club every Thursday for some of our children.

They are now in the position to recruit new volunteers. If you, or you know of anybody who is interested in this fantastic opportunity please contact Viv.couche@passion-for-learning.com or pick up an application form from the school office.

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Enrichment Club Thursdays.

Our 4 Film Club sessions have finished for this half term and we need to give you advance notice that the cost needs to go up after half term. Each session will then cost £2.50 per child.

The 5 Cookery Club sessions will run consecutively and begin on Monday 21st September.

KS2 Football Club commences Monday 14th September

Homework Club commences Wednesday 9th September (Year 1-6 pupils only)

Dance Club commences Friday 11th September

Glee Club commences Friday 11th September