

30th September 2016

Bee a Reader: Please remember to read with your child/children **at least** 3 times each week. Please sign or initial your child's reading log so that we know that they have read, or been read to.

Tag Rugby Festival: Mrs Brookes & Mr Rudd accompanied a group of Y5/Y6 children to a Tag Rugby competition this week. The children played well and once again were a credit to the school.

School Driveway: Please could I ask parents **not to use the school driveway and the school car park to drop children off or pick them up at the start or end of the day.** Taxis should not drop pupils off on our driveway or in our car park. Thank you for your co-operation.

NCYC Car Park: Please don't park on the grass or in the disabled bays at the Youth Centre. The NCYC management allow parents to use their car park as a gesture of **goodwill**. They will withdraw this goodwill, if these incidents continue.

RNLI Assembly: Karen Green from the RNLI came in to school this week to deliver an assembly to the whole school about water safety which involved key reminders for the children to keep safe near water. Karen also worked with Year 3 during the morning to carry out further safety activities. Each child was given two booklets to take home.

Whole School Homework: We have had some amazing homework brought into school created as part of our whole school homework 'Our Area'. Some of the work is on display in the school entrance hall. You can also see photos on Twitter, our website and Facebook page.

OPEN AFTERNOON: We are holding our Open Afternoon on Thursday 13th October, from 2.00-3.00 p.m. & 4.30 – 6.30 p.m. Prospective parents and pupils, current parents and pupils, relatives and interested members of the community are all welcome to come along.

Attendance: Attendance for 30.9.16
YEAR 1 were the winners this week.

Champions of the Week: During our Friday assembly each week Class Champions are chosen to celebrate their children's achievements in school.

Friday 23rd Sept: the following children were **CLASS CHAMPIONS:** Rosie Anderton – Reception, Rory Lee - Y1, Maisie Duncan – Y2, Ellis Cooke – Y3, Ben Rumble - Y4, Chloe Deer – Y5 and Bella Dean – Y6 - Congratulations to them all

School Champion: Brooke Jellicoe – Y6

Friday 30th Sept: the following children were **CLASS CHAMPIONS:**– Molly Render Reception, - Mason Gallagher - Y1, Cordelia Wills - Y2, Phoebe Deer - Y3, Fraser Cook - Y4, Maisie Beard - Y5 and Emma Fletcher - Y6 Congratulations to them all

Information Booklet Reminder: If you haven't already done so please return the information sheet - (Contact details, Educational visits, Parents & Friends Association (PFA) Medical Information & Permission to use photographs). The sheets were sent home with the children this week. Spare copies are available from the school office.



Dinner Money: A small number of children have been coming to school without dinner money. It is now our policy to contact parents informing them that their child/children didn't have dinner money. Please ensure you provide your child with the correct dinner money if they are taking a school meal or provide them with a packed lunch. We cannot allow people to build up dinner money bills.

Free School Meals Entitlement: I am asking parents who have **a child in reception, year 1 or year 2** and have an entitlement to free school meals to complete a Free School Meals Form (available from the school office). Your child may be entitled to receive free school meals if you are entitled to receive one of the following: Income Support, Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, Income-related Employment and Support Allowance, Support

under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit, Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income that does not exceed £16,190. **It is really important to apply for Free School Meals to help make sure our school is funded as well as possible. Although all infants are offered a free meal we DO NOT GET ANY EXTRA MONEY UNLESS YOU APPLY for the extra money fro school.**

Water Bottles: To encourage children to drink water, the children should all have a water bottle, which can be brought into school (filled) each day and returned home in the evening for washing and refilling. **No other drinks please - only water.** Replacement water bottles are available from the school office (**£1.50**). Remember to write your child's name on the bottle clearly, please.

After School Clubs: All of our clubs are now up and running. During the Autumn & Winter after school clubs finish at **4 p.m.**

If it is raining at the start of the school day – PLEASE bring children to the back doors. Do not use the front door as the the amount of people trying to get into school via the front doors causes congestion. Only use the front doors if you are late or if you need to visit the office.

Hair Bobbles: Can I remind parents that we encourage girls to wear 'plain and simple' hair bobbles, hair bands, Alice bands...

October 2016:

Mon 3rd: Y2 Delamere residential (1 night)
Thurs 6th: National poetry day
Fri 7th: Y5/Y6 Quick Sticks competition at Neston Cricket Club
Thurs 13th **OPEN AFTERNOON** – 2.00 – 3pm and 4.30 – 6.30pm
Wed 19th: Harvest festival at Little Neston Methodist Church
Thurs 20th: School photographs
Fri 28th: School Closes, 3.15 p.m.
Mon 7th November INSET DAY
Tues 8th: School re-opens

If you want, or need, to contact members of the Governing Body you can either drop a letter/note into the school office or contact the chair of Governors via our e-mail address admin@nestonpri.cheshire.sch.uk

Currently, our Parent Governors and Community Governors are: Mrs Kate Davies (Mum of Hollie Davies Y4), Mr Richard Shuker (Dad of Evie Shuker Y5 & Joseph Shuker Y1) & Ms Metcalf (Mum of Emma Fletcher Y6)

A quick way to keep up with news and photos from school is to join our **Facebook Page** – search for '**Friends of Neston Primary School**' or **follow us on Twitter - @Neston_Primary_** We also upload images and news to our website. www.nestonprimaryschool.co.uk

If you have asked to join our Facebook group and have not been added, it may be that I don't recognise your name or photo – please let me know and I will add you to the group.

Over the summer a new school website was launched. **PLEASE look at our website – especially if you are looking for information.**



If you have any issues to discuss regarding your child/children please feel free to come into school to make an appointment with the class teacher or myself.

R Golding (Headteacher)

REMINDER – SCHOOL IS CLOSED TO PUPILS ON: Friday 28th October and re-opens on Tuesday 8th November

Monday 7th November – STAFF INSET DAY