

November 2016

Parents' Evenings: It was wonderful to see so many of you during Parents' Evenings recently and I am sure you all found it useful to have an opportunity to discuss your child's progress with the class teachers.

Football: Recently, children from Year 3/4 took part in an inter Schools Football tournament at Neston Cricket Club. Thanks to Mrs Whitley, Mrs Brookes and parent helpers who accompanied the children to this event. As always the pupils performed really well and were a credit to the school.

Netball: An inter-school netball competition was held on Tuesday 14th November at Neston Recreation Centre. The children played exceptionally well and won the majority of their games. Behaviour was excellent and once again the children were a credit to the school. Thanks to Mrs Muskett and parent helpers for accompanying and transporting the children to this event.

After School Clubs: All clubs will end week commencing **Monday 5th December – Friday 9th December**. All clubs will start week commencing **Monday 23rd January 2017**. There will be new clubs to sign up to. More details to follow in the New Year.



RotaKids Car Wash: Thank you to those parents/family/friends who were able to come along and support this event. We raised £310 which was split between Northern Lights children's charity and school fund (to help towards the cost of the trip to the pantomime and improvements to our outdoor areas).

Children in Need - Friday 18th November: Children came to school wearing spotty or bright clothes. We raised £203 for Children in Need. Thank you again for your support and generosity.

PFA Film Night: A huge success, thank you to the PFA for organising this event and for all staff who stayed to help out. Money raised will be put towards cost of transport to the pantomime and improvements to our outdoor areas.

Pantomime Visit: Some parents have decided to keep their child/children off on the last day of school because they don't want their child to go to the Panto, as they are going as a family later in December. However, it will be recorded as an 'unauthorised' absence as school will still be open. Please let us know if your child isn't going to the Pantomime.

On the day of the Pantomime children need to be in school at **8.40 a.m.** and they may bring **one small bag** of sweets and one carton of drink – no bottles or cans please. Pupils will need to wear full school uniform.

Cinema Trip Y3/4/5/6: Light Cinema, New Brighton was the venue for the children to see "Alice Through the Looking Glass". As part of the children's Literacy work. The children were very well behaved and a credit to the school.

Chicken Pox: We have had an outbreak of chicken pox in school. **The NHS guidelines are that you keep children at home until all of the spots have crusted over and are dry.** Many thanks for your co-operation.

Flu Vaccinations: The children's flu vaccine is offered as a yearly nasal spray to young children to help protect them against flu. Children in Years 1-3 are offered the vaccine. Over the next few years the programme will be extended to gradually include older children. The children had their vaccinations in school earlier this month.

KS2 Carol Service, Neston Parish Church:

Friday 16th December, 9.30 a.m. All parents/carers and friends of NPS are welcome to come along. Y6 are currently fundraising for "The Childrens' Society" – they will be collecting money at the end of the service if you would like to make a donation.



Lantern Workshop: CAN (Community Activities in Neston) organised a Lantern Workshop for our Year 3 children last week. **Pupils and parents are invited to a Carols and campfire event at NCYC on Friday 2nd Dec NCYC – 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm** A free evening of carols, campfire, and hot chocolate.

Organised with Hip and Harmony, Elephant Coffee and Aboutmyarea

School Christmas Post: May I please remind the children to put their Christmas cards in the post box in the school entrance hall. Please ensure the children put the child's name and the class name on the envelope too, many thanks. Children can send letters to Santa too, if they want to.

Help! Is anyone willing to help move some bark from the bottom of the field to the "Welly Area" you would need to wear wellies/boots plus bring a spade/shovel and wheelbarrow if you can. Please let us know if you are willing to help.

Infant Nativity: Tuesday 13th: 9.30 a.m and Wednesday 14th: 9.30 a.m. **Tickets are on sale from the office – priced at £1.** Money raised will pay for costumes and Christmas treats

Attendance: Attendance for 25.11.16
Year 4 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.

Congratulations to them all

Friday 18th Nov: the following children were **CLASS CHAMPIONS:-** Imogen Gooding - Reception, Maisie Peers – Y2, Jagoda Filipiak – Y3, Riya Ghosheh – Y4, Mya Bridgwater – Y5 & Harvey Nuttall – Y6

Congratulations to them all

School Champions: Ethan Alexander & Joshua Rudd

Community News

Neston Victorian Christmas Festival, Saturday 3rd December 2.00-8.00 p.m. on the Market Square, with the lights being switched on at 6 p.m.

Diary Dates:

December 2016:

Thursday 1st: 'Elf' Day in school

Friday 2nd: Winter Fair 3.30-5.00 p.m.

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Monday 5th: 1.30 p.m. Y4 "Meet the Characters" (Christmas Story), Little Neston Methodist Church

Wednesday 7th: Choir singing at Neston Library

Friday 9th: Carol service rehearsal

Tuesday 13th: 9.30 a.m. KS1 Nativity

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Thursday 15th: Carol Service rehearsal

Friday 16th: 9.30 a.m. KS2 Carol Service Neston Parish Church

Thursday 22nd: Whole school pantomime Cinderella, Floral Pavillion, New Brighton

Thursday 22nd: School Closes for Christmas holiday at 3.15 p.m.

Friday 23rd: INSET day for staff

Monday 9th January 2017: School re-opens at 8.30 a.m.

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.

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)

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)

