

House Point Winners:

Week beginning 17th April – Hydra

Week beginning 24th April – awaiting Quidditch result

Thank you for all your positive comments regarding my appointment as head teacher. We have started the process to advertise for a new Deputy Head teacher so I will keep you informed as that develops. We have had a busy start to the term. I am sorry I was unable to attend the Y4 Burwardsley Assembly on Wednesday as I had a prior meeting booked in the diary. Clubs have started again this week – can I remind you that they all finish at 4pm.

We have had to say goodbye to Mrs Vanden and Mrs Amato this week. We wish them the very best of luck in their new ventures.

Y4 trip to Burwardsley

The Y4s had a wonderful 1 night residential at the Burwardsley Outdoor Education Centre last week. They were particularly fortunate with the weather which meant they were able to spend most of the time outdoors. Activities included going for walks, finding out about Iron Age roundhouses, an archaeological dig, clay work, bonfire with marshmallows and den building.

A massive thanks to the staff at the centre for making us feel so welcome and also to Miss Jones, Mrs Amato and Mrs Pino for organising and accompanying the children on the trip.



F1 Outdoor Learning Day

Our children always have a wonderful day when Gemma from Camp Curiosity comes to school and Monday was no different. The F1 children had great fun exploring the Welly Project area, tasting nettle tea, eating dandelion fritters and of course marshmallows around the campfire. See Facebook for more pictures



Careers Visit in Y6

Last Friday, Y6 had a visit from Gemma Whitley who used to be a pupil at the school. Gemma has been a member of the RAF and came to share her experiences with the class. The children listened brilliantly and then asked really pertinent questions to find out more about her career. We are really grateful to Gemma for giving up her time and would love to hear from any other past pupils who now have interesting careers.

Quidditch

Today has been a brilliant day with the children in Y1-6 learning how to play Quidditch. Our morning started with everyone in the hall for the sorting hat to choose our houses: Griffin were Slytherin, Phoenix were Gryffindor, Hydra were Ravenclaw and Pegasus were Hufflepuff. Each year group from Y1-Y6 had a turn playing the game. The points from all games will be added up and at the end of the day we will return to the hall for the announcement of the winning house.

Thank you to Dom and Paul from Enrich education for the day which we funded from Sports Premium money.

Photos from the sorting hat event, each Quidditch session and the winning house announcement, will be posted on Facebook over the weekend.

Pupil Absence

Could parents please make sure they contact the office on 0151 832 6251 if their child is absent or let a staff member know if you are bringing a sibling to school. This will save the office time in the mornings and also prevent you from receiving calls asking where your child is.



Our 'Friends of Neston Primary School' page on Facebook is designed to keep parents, family members and those currently involved with the school up to date on our daily events. Some parents, who may be reluctant to share images of their children on social media, are happy to have them on this closed face book page. For this reason, over the next few weeks, I am going to be doing a 'cull' of our members to ensure that everyone who is a member is currently linked to a child in the school.

If you are blocked or deleted from the page in error, I apologise in advance and please request to be a friend again. Friend requests are only accepted if <u>all</u> the questions are answered. It is not sufficient if you simply answer yes to 'How are you connected to our school?' Future parents are not accepted until their child is on role.

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Strike Day - Tuesday 2nd May

Just a quick reminder that school will be partially closed again on Tuesday 2^{nd} May due to strike action.

We will be open for pupils in F1, Y2, Y4, Y6 and those children of critical workers who have already requested places.

Pupils in Y4 and Y6 need to come to school in their PE kits.

Parents and Friends Association (PFA)

Thanks to Sophie Hodgson and Katie Robson for organising the PFA meeting last week. They are starting to plan the Summer fair which will be held after school on Friday 30th June. If you would like to be involved or have any ideas that we could try and include this year, please contact Sophie and Katie either on the playground or leave your mobile phone details in the office and they will add you to the PFA whatsapp group.

Forthcoming Events over the next couple of weeks

A letter with all planned events for the Summer term was sent home at the start of term. If you need another copy, please let the office know and they will be able to parentmail you a copy. Over the next couple of weeks:

Wednesday 3rd May – F2 Stay and Play in the morning

Thursday 4th May – Dogs trust coming to talk to KS2 children

Friday 5th May – Coronation Celebrations – come to school in the crown you have made for whole school homework, wearing red, white and blue.

Monday 8th May – closed for bank holiday

Tuesday 9th May – Y6 SATs week starts SATs breakfast is at 8:15am.