

May 2017

SATs Week: To celebrate the end of a full week of national tests, Mrs Hopkinson-Jones and staff organised a fun filled Friday afternoon for the children.

Summer After-School Clubs: Clubs finish at **4.15 p.m. promptly**. Please ensure you are on time to collect your child/children at the end of the club. Thank you to the members of staff for offering such a wide range and high number of clubs.

"School Grounds" Thank you to those parents who came along to help tidy the school grounds during the Easter holiday or have offered their help since then.

'Look Out': Mr Rudd has now completed building a 'Look Out' in our school grounds. Groups of children are now able to use the 'Look Out'. Mr Rudd has also built some new benches and a very impressive wig-wam. My thanks to Mr Rudd for his time and skill.

Parent Shelter: Work on our new Parent Shelter began after the Easter holiday and is now completed. This has been funded by Tesco's Groundworks Fund. My thanks to Jim Rumble and John Richardson for their time and effort invested in creating this new addition to our grounds. Work begins in the coming weeks on another addition to our grounds.

PFA Bingo Night: Thank you to our hardworking PFA for organising the Bingo evening. Another well supported event with over £290 being raised.

PFA: The PFA will be selling ice lollies and ice pops after school every Friday during the Summer Term. Ice lollies 50p and Ice Pops 20p.

EFC Raffle - Thank you to everyone who bought a raffle ticket for the Everton shirt and football. We raised £310 ☺. The lucky winner was Mrs Hopkinson-Jones, but she asked that another name be drawn. The new winner of the shirt was Mike Peers from DHL supply chain.

Rotakids – Our Rotakids Group held a cake sale on **Thursday 18th May** after school in the playground. Thank you to those of you who bought cakes, £60 was raised. All proceeds to Northern Lights Charity.

Book Swap Shop: From **Monday 22nd May** our Book Swap Shop will be held on **MONDAY mornings**, from 8.40 a.m. instead of each Friday.

School Meals: From September school meals will increase to **£2.25**. The price has remained the same for the past 5 years, but the catering team have had to make a small increase in price this year.

Polar Explorer – Launch Day: To tie in with our whole school homework our school boat was launched. Children in Y4 & Y5 also enjoyed a Science activities day with Sue Andrews (Polar Ambassador for The National Science Centre at York University). Have a look at Facebook, Twitter or our website for photos of this event. There will be a display of the children's homework in the school entrance hall and corridors.

Y4 Visits: Children dressed up as World War 2 evacuees for their visit to Hadlow Station Willaston. They were met by a Billeting Office (a role played by John Lees of Neston Players). Mrs Elliott commented that the children thoroughly enjoyed the visit to Hadlow Road Station. Photographs of the day are on Facebook our website, Twitter and aboutmyarea.

School Council: Earlier this week Ms Millington took five members of the School Council to JH Godwin Primary School to take part in a 'pupil voice' event as part of a democracy project.



Cricket Competition: Y5/Y6 children attended an inter school cricket competition at Neston Cricket Club. The team competed very well.

Uniform: We will be placing an order during the next 2 weeks for school uniform. Order forms from School Office.

Manchester Arena: Mrs Elliott accompanied a group of children to the Hallmark card shop in Neston to release a number of balloons to remember the victims and families involved in the recent attack. We also held an assembly to remember the victims and their families.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers - Reminder: The last day for vouchers to be handed into school is **Friday 30th June**. Many thanks, in advance, for your help.

Sainsbury's "Create the World" Lego Cards:

Children are invited to a Swap Shop to be held in Sainsbury's Café on Wednesday 31st May
2.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.

Attendance: Attendance for w.e. 12.05.17

Year 6: 99.5%

Year 2: 100%

Year 5: 95.7%

Year 1: 94.6%

Year 4: 100%

Reception: 95.8%

Year 3: 95.4%

Our target is to get attendance figures of 96% (or better) each week. The winning class is presented with a certificate and small trophy.

The winners – Year 2 & Year 4 with 100%

Attendance: Attendance for w.e. 19.05.17

Year 6: 96.2%

Year 2: 98%

Year 5: 91.9%

Year 1: 93.8%

Year 4: 98.4%

Reception: 95.4%

Year 3: 95.4%

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The winners – Year 4 with 98.4%

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

Friday 12 May: the following children were **CLASS CHAMPIONS:** Millie Duncan – Reception, Daniel Harris – Y1, Alfie O'Gorman – Y2, Alaw Culshaw – Y3, Lexie Young – Y4, Whole Class – Y6

School Champion: Maria Ivanova – Y6
Congratulations to them all

Friday 19 May: the following children were **CLASS CHAMPIONS:** Caitlin Smalls – Reception, Drake Rodd – Y1, Alfie O'Gorman – Y2, Aimee Wood – Y3, Millie Williams – Y4, Max Lawner-Bennoch & Maisie Beard – Y5, Callum Spence – Y6

Community News:

May Holiday Fun: Neston Recreation Centre, Tuesday 30th May – Sunday 4th June 2017

For further information Tele 0151 336 1077 or visit www.brioleisure.org/centres

Footie Bugs: FREE! Football fun for children ages 2-5, Tuesday 30th May 10-11.30 @ NCYC. Call 0151 337 6425 for further details

Pond Dipping at Lees Lane Ponds Thursday 1st June 10.30am – 1pm

**REMINDER: SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR HALF TERM
FRIDAY 26th MAY at 3.15 p.m.**

June 2017:

Monday 5th: School re-opens at 8.50 a.m.

Wednesday 7th: 6.00-7.00 p.m. New intake parents meeting

Friday 9th June: 3.30-5.00 p.m. Summer Fair

Tuesday 13th 9.30 a.m. KS2 Sports Day

Wednesday 14th: 9.30 a.m. KS1 Sports Day

Tuesday 20th: Reserve date for KS2 Sports Day

Wednesday 21st: Reserve date for KS1 Sports Day

Saturday 17th: Rotakids Car Wash

Friday 23rd: Reception class visit to Ness Gardens – to be confirmed

Thursday 22nd: 2.30-3.00 p.m. New Intake Meeting

Thursday 29th: New Intake session for children

Wednesday 28th: Y1/2 Mini Olympics at Woodfall Primary School

Wednesday 28th: Y5/Y6 swimming gala at Neston Recreation Centre

Thursday 29th: 6.00 p.m. Music Concert

Friday 30th: Y5/Y6 CH64 Games at NHS

July 2017:

Saturday 1st: Neston Village Fair

Tuesday 4th: Y3/Y4 Athletics & Field Games

Wednesday 4th: Y1 class trip to New Brighton

Thurs 6th: Neston High School Y6 Transition Day

Wed 12th: Wirral Grammar Y6 Transition Day

Wednesday 12th: 6.00 p.m. Y6 Play

Thursday 13th: 6.00 p.m. Y6 Play

Thursday 13th: Y3 visit to Ness Gardens - tbc

Friday 14th: Children move to new classes

Monday 17th: a.m. only children in new classes

Thursday 20th: 6.00 p.m. Y6 Leavers Service

Friday 21st: **School Closes at 3.15 p.m.**

Monday 24th: Staff INSET Day – school closed

Tuesday 25th: Staff INSET Day – school closed

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 are:

Mrs Kate Davies (*Mum of Hollie Y4*)

Mr Richard Shuker (*Dad of Evie Y5 & Joseph Yr1*)

Ms Alison Metcalf (*Mum of Emma Fletcher in Year 6*) is also a Governor

Our Chair of Governors is Mr Ian Trotman

Our Vice-Chair of Governors is Mr Simon Wilson

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 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)