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A MESSAGE FROM MRS ELLIOTT

Thank you for your patience with the roof works, the contractors assure me they will be finished very shortly. Unfortunately, the swimming pool which was due to be on site next week has been postponed until later on in the year - once I have been given a new date, I will let you know.

It was wonderful to see so many parents at the Key Stage 1 reading workshop on Tuesday evening. Ms Thompson shared the school's approach to teaching reading and also the importance of developing a love of reading. The powerpoint will be shared on the KS1 class pages of the website.

You may be aware of the gates opening slightly later this week at just before 3:15pm. This is for the safety of all children during PE sessions as Mr B is ensuring they have the full hour lesson and therefore are on the playground until just before the end of the day.

CLASS CHAMPIONS		
27/9/24		
Sebastian		
Lottie Rosie		
Archie		
Riley		
absent		

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ATTENDANCE

Last term I sent a letter notifying you of the changes around attendance and taking unauthorised absences. The updated CWAC policy is now on our website. I will send further information out as the term progresses. Attendance in school is vital for your child to make progress. Our target is to have at least 96% attendance each week. This year, I will be sharing each class' attendance figure to keep you informed.

CURRENT ATTENDANCE FIGURES:

ASH 98% MAPLE 93% OAK 95% CHESTNUT 91% WILLOW 95% SYCAMORE 94% Whole School Average 94%

We have experienced a drop in attendance this last fortnight as there have been a number of illnesses around school. Hopefully we will be closer to reaching our target in the next newsletter.

Y2 TRIP TO THURSTASTON

Year 2 had a fabulous day on Thurstaston beach courtesy of the Cheshire Wildlife trust. Fortunately the rain stayed away whilst the children went mud dipping, had a scavenger hunt along the strandline, quietly watched for birds in the hide and enjoyed playing on the grass patch.

Mrs Robinson was really impressed by everyone's behaviour and a big thank you to Mrs Chapman and Mrs Hodgson who accompanied the children.



WILLOW HARVEST TRIP

Unfortunately Willow class's harvest trip to the Methodist Church was postponed on Monday due to the weather. Hopefully we will be able to re-arrange another time



SCHOOL COUNCIL

We held our first school council meeting last week and the children were eager to get started with our Social Action Award. I was really impressed with the ideas that everyone came up with and they have decided that their first action will be to collect food and other items for homeless people.

Please send in non-perishable food items, toiletries and socks between the 16th and 21st October. We will make our donations to the Food Bank and also a homeless charity in Birkenhead.

Each child who brings in a donation will earn a sticker reward as part of the Social Action Award. Over the year there are 12 categories and 3 levels of sticker for each one.

To achieve the award, each pupil needs to receive at least 1 sticker during the year.













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RESPECT ALL

SHOW RESILIENCE

BE KIND

Dates	Events - Autumn
16-21oct	SCHOOL COUNCIL HARVEST COLLECTION
Tues 22 + Thurs 24th Oct	Parents Evenings - more details to follow later on in the term
Fri 25th Oct	PFA NON-UNIFORM DAY
28 Oct-3 November	Half Term Week - back to school on Monday 6th November
15th November	10:30 Choir singing at Neston Christmas Fair KS2 Hummingbird mental health and well being project - for next 6 Fridays Children in Need Day -
19th November	Y1-6 Flu vaccinations
26th November	2:30 Nursery Stay and Play session
2nd December	Chestnut Class Christmas Experience at St Michaels
16 + 17 December	KS1 Nativity Performances in hall 9:30 am
17th December	KS2 Carol Service at Parish Church
18th December	Christmas Lunch and parties
19th December	School Closes for Christmas Holiday

OPEN DAY TOURS

We are holding a number of tours for Reception 2025. They are on Wednesday 9th October, Monday 21st October, Monday 7th November, Tuesday 12th November and Thursday 21st November. All at 9:30am. If you would like to book on or know of someone who may be interested, please scan the QR code on the flyer.

CLASS EMAIL ADDRESSES

If you wish to get in touch with the class teacher, the best way to do this is to speak to them on the playground at the end of the day. You can also ring the school office on 0151 832 6251 to arrange for the teacher to contact you.

We also have class email addresses which have been updated with the new names:

ash@nestonpri.cheshire.sch.uk pine@nestonpri.cheshire.sch.uk maple@nestonpri.cheshire.sch.uk oak@nestonpri.cheshire.sch.uk chestnut@nestonpri.cheshire.sch.uk willow@nestonpri.cheshire.sch.uk sycamore@nestonpri.cheshire.sch.uk

The staff will answer at their earliest convenience but for a healthy work-life balance, during out of school hours, this will only be when they are completing school work.

PE KITS

Despite it being the start of term, we are getting a number of children not coming into school in the correct PE kit. Although we have a branded kit, we do allow children to wear plain navy joggers and hoodies to keep the costs down for families. Children are not to come into school in designer branded clothes, or sportwear of different colours.

We do have pre-loved PE kits available for free in the entrance hall baskets which you are welcome to help yourself to.



NESTON PRIMARY SCHOOL RECEPTION 2025 TOURS

9TH & 21ST OCTOBER 2024 7TH, 12TH & 21ST NOV 2024 9.30 A.M.

TOUR THE FACILITIES MEET THE HEADTEACHER AND STAFF SEE WHAT NESTON PRIMARY CAN OFFER YOUR CHILD

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