

3RD DECEMBER 2024

NESTON PRIMARY NEWS



A MESSAGE FROM MRS ELLIOTT

We are heading into the busy time of the year which I always feel is the best time to be in a primary school. The school is buzzing with carol concert and Nativity rehearsals. My thanks as always goes to the staff for all the hard work and effort they put in to make the Christmas period look so effortless and enjoyable for our children. Thank you to everyone for nominating us for a tree from Premier Plants at Ledsham. We are pleased to announce that we were a winning school and because so many parents nominated us, they are also providing decorations. We have had number of visits and visitors over the last couple of weeks. Oak class had a wonderful time with Holly and Sam the owls. Chestnut and Sycamore classes have been to the local churches as part of the parish Christmas experiences and Willow class have had Maggie from Silver Mail visit so that we can start writing letters. The KS2 children are enjoying their Hummingbird mental health sessions each Friday and on Wednesday they are having a performance of Tom and the Trolls.

CLASS CHAMPIONS

	22/11/24	29/11/24
Ash	Elijah	Lennox
Maple	Leonardo	Ruthwika
Oak	Joshua	Isabella
Chestnut		Autumn
Willow		Seren Nancy
Sycamore		Joey

ATTENDANCE

The attendance of your children is a priority for us at Neston Primary School. The attendance team of myself, Mrs Furlong and Mrs Arragoni are regularly monitoring the registers and keeping track of those children whose attendance is a concern. The changes in the government guidance that I notified you of earlier in the term, is that should your child have 10 unauthorised absences, you will be issued with a fixed penalty notice. It is vital that should your child be ill that you notify us straight away. We want to support you .

The latest Attendance figures are:

Ash 94%
Maple 92%
Oak 93%
Chestnut 92%
Willow 94%
Sycamore 94%

Whole school 93%

Tickets for the KS1 nativities are being sent home. Please swap amongst yourselves for 2 on the same day. Spares will be available next week.

Thank you to the parents and staff who volunteered to work on the grounds a couple of weeks ago for the OPAL project. The children are really enjoying playing with the loose parts and dig zone areas. We need more resources to enhance the provision further.

If Santa brings new scooters or bikes to your houses this year and there are old scooters in good condition remaining, we will happily take them off your hands.

We had our 3rd development day with our OPAL mentor and he was pleased with the progress so far. We just need more loose parts so any cable drums, decking planks and other useful bits you think children enjoy playing with - we would love to have them.



STUFF THE SLEIGH

Thank you to those of you who have already donated a gift for the stuff the sleigh appeal. We have 1 more week before the toys are collected. Children can claim a bronze or silver donator badge for their gifts - they just need to let me know that they have brought a gift in.



STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE



TAKE PRIDE



RESPECT ALL



SHOW RESILIENCE



BE KIND

Dates	Events - Autumn
2nd December	Family Learning EY Making Playdough 9-10 (see letter) Year 3 Christmas Experience at the Methodist Church
5th December	Meet the Governors - coffee and chat 9am
4th December	KS2 'Tom and the Trolls' performance - anti-bullying - TBC
9th December	Family Learning EY Christmas Gifts & Treats 9-10am (see letter)
10th December	Rotakids to visit Hallwood Court
13th December	Rotakids Elf Run - wear a Christmas Jumper and an Elf hat/Reindeer horns PFA Crafternoon - details to follow
16 + 17 December	KS1 Nativity Performances in hall 9:30 am
17th December	KS2 Carol Service at Parish Church - PM
18th December	Christmas Lunch and parties
19th December	School Closes for Christmas Holiday
Tuesday 7th January	School Re-opens for the Spring term

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.