

10TH JANUARY 2025

NESTON PRIMARY NEWS



MESSAGE FROM MRS ELLIOTT

Happy New Year to you all. I hope you had a fabulous Christmas break. It is wonderful to see the children back in school this week. We have also welcomed new pupils to school this week and I am sure they are settling in well with their new classes. My thanks go to Mr Gilbert for his wonderful work gritting all our entrances and playgrounds this week.

We have had a busy first week. On Monday all the teachers had a training session along with the other local primary schools with 'Mr P' on including apps within our teaching, it was a really motivating day and the teachers are planning on ways to include them in their lessons.

On Thursday Oak and Chestnut class had their CO workshops with 'Safety Seymour', hopefully your child brought home their goodie bag containing a CO monitor for your home. Willow and Sycamore will have their workshops later on in the term.

Next Wednesday morning (15th) there is coffee morning being held by PINS (partnership for inclusion of neurodiversity in schools) and there will be a talk by a volunteer from the ParentCarer forum who support families of children with neurodiversity and other SEND issues. This would be really interesting and helpful for any parent who may or may not have a neurodiverse child.

ATTENDANCE

Unfortunately attendance has been really low this week due to illness and also children not attending because of the weather. May I remind you that if your child receives up to 10 unauthorised sessions in a 10 week period it triggers the next step. Mrs Furlong and I are ringing families who this affects and if attendance doesn't improve then the next step is a meeting to set attendance targets. Please work with us to improve our children's attendance and notify the office if they are ill. A parentmail has been sent home today reminding you of all the ways that this can occur.

Attendance this week:

Ash 75 %

Chestnut 73.2%

Maple 82.2%

Willow 72.2%

Oak 72.5%

Sycamore 73.7%

RESIDENTIALS

KS2 parents will be aware that the residentials are later on this half term. We have information meetings being held next Monday and Tuesday after school. Please attend if possible. Powerpoints will be added to the website following the meeting but the meetings offer the opportunity to ask questions.

Payments for the residentials need to be made on the Gateway app. Please try to keep up to date with the payment dates **as we are unable to subsidise the trip any further.**

IF YOU ARE STRUGGLING TO PAY, PLEASE ARRANGE AN APPOINTMENT WITH MRS ELLIOTT.



UNIFORM

I have spoken to all the children in assembly this morning about the need to wear the correct uniform to school. The list of the uniform is on the website.

Children are not to come to school with:

large bows, colourful bows/headbands/scrunchies

Other coloured leggings/joggers - plain navy or black only

No designer logos or 'makes' of tracksuit - the uniform is plain navy tracksuit or the school tracksuit

Inappropriate shoes - converse shoes/high tops, ugs, brightly coloured trainers.

Trainers should only be worn on PE day.

Staff are going to be speaking to all children who are not in correct uniform and will offer alternatives - we have lots of clean, good quality uniform that has been donated as well as new PE kit in a few limited sizes.

Please support us with this. I don't like to nag but the children work better when they are in the correct uniform. Spare socks in their bag are also useful with the current weather.

Dates	EVENTS - SPRING TERM 1
13th January	3:20pm Conway Trip Parents Meeting
14th January	3:20pm Barnstondale Trip Parents Meeting
15th January	PINS coffee morning in the hall 9am - all welcome
20th January	Nursery and Reception Stay and Play Session 2:30pm
Week Beginning 27th January	Book Week - lots of activities including an author visit - more details to follow
Tuesday 28th January	Y5 children performing at the Floral Pavilion as part of Neston High School 'Legally Blonde Performance' - arrangement details to follow
12-14th February	Y5 and Y6 Residential to Conway
13-14th February	Y3 and Y4 Residential to Barnstondale
14th February	School Closes for half term
24th February	School Re-opens for Spring 2
24-26th February	Y5 Bikeability sessions
25th + 27th February	Parents Evenings
27th February	Safety Seymour CO workshops for Willow and Sycamore Classes

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.