

FRIDAY 21ST MARCH

# NESTON PRIMARY NEWS



## MESSAGE FROM MRS ELLIOTT

You will have noticed on Monday that our fabulous acer tree on the field had been felled. Unfortunately it had suffered damage in the storms this winter and when the 'tree men' came to do their annual work, it was noted that it had to come down for safety reasons. We have welcomed a number of visitors to school this last fortnight. Cyber Sid and our local PCSO started our KS1 Cyber Sid sessions. They also had time to speak to the children in Y5 and Y6 about being safe on mobile phones. We are arranging a parent session led by the police and will let you know when we have a date. On Monday, the hospice came and led the assembly to inform the children about the Bunny Hop which will be happening at the end of term - letters have been sent home letting you know how you can sponsor.

On Tuesday a team of Y3/4 went to Willaston Primary to take part in the cluster football tournament. As always our children represented the school brilliantly with their positivity and teamwork.

Thank you to everyone who donated to Comic Relief today. It is always good to see the children with their red noses and face paints for a good cause. £73.78 was raised.

Please see dates for diaries for forthcoming dates for SATS week, Sports Days and the Y6 show.

## ATTENDANCE

Well done to everyone who is working on improving their attendance.

Our attendance continues to be an issue - specially with those children who have attendance less than 90%. Although absence can not be avoided if a child is really ill, please trust us in that we will not let a child suffer in school if they do feel unwell, we will contact you. Please see the website for our attendance guidance and attendance policy. If you need help with your child's attendance please contact Mrs Elliott and Mrs Furlong.

Last Week's attendance

Ash 93.8 %	Chestnut 94.9 %
Maple 97.4 %	Willow 91.7 %
Oak 91.7 %	Sycamore 92.7 %

Let's work together to be closer to the National attendance figure.



## CLASS CHAMPIONS

### FRIDAY 14TH MARCH

Theodore

Jenson

Sophia

James

Freya

Ted

Eva

school values

Alfie W

Elliott

Niamh

Dylan

Niall

### FRIDAY 21ST MARCH

Amari

Lucy

Tom

Marla

Kobe

school values

Rory

Amelia B

Aster

Amelia R

Autumn

Olivia

Faith

## SOCIAL IMPACT AWARD

February's focus was 'helping hands' and the children shared how they had helped at home. It was lovely to hear how helpful our children can be.

In March, we have the Big Walk and Wheel fortnight from the 24th March to the 4th April. During this time we are encouraging children to make a change and either walk or wheel to school. School Council will be collating the results each day and those who do change the way they travel to school will be awarded the Change Maker badge on our social impact award scheme.

If you live too far away from school, you can always walk or wheel part of the way so that you can be involved too.



## **LOST PROPERTY**

Last week I sorted through all of the lost property - there were over 40 cardigans, sweatshirts, hoodie, zip up tops - some with NPS branding and others plain from a range of shops - Marks and Spencer, Asda, Primark etc. Only 3 items could be returned to children because they were named.

There were 38 items - all very similar looking without names on. Can I ask that you please name your children's items. I am regularly having parents commenting that their child hasn't come home with their jumper or hoodie but we are unable to return items to their owners if they do not have a name and children can't recognise their own as they all look the same.

The lost property boxes will be outside on the playground after school next week. Any unclaimed items at the end of term will be taken to the recycling bank.

## **LOCKDOWN ALARM**

Every half term we practice the fire alarm and the children are really good with this. On Monday I will be sharing a lockdown alarm with the children - this is to be used on the rare occasions that, for example, an air ambulance needs to land on our grounds or that a neighbour's dog is loose. It is a signal for the children to move quickly into school. I was just wanting to let you know, in case your child comes home to say they have practised the lockdown alarm. I don't want you to be alarmed - we will have a practise before Easter.

## **MEDICAL TRACKER**

We have bought into a system called Medical tracker which is designed to streamline 'bumped head letters', other incidents and the dispensing of medication. Once the staff are all trained on the system, we will start using instead of the normal bumped head letters. If a child does have an injury, parents will receive a text message to notify them of this rather than the child bringing a letter home. We will still ring home if a child's bump needs closer inspection by parents. We are hoping that this system will reduce the occurrence of letters being lost and parents not being fully informed.

Dates	EVENTS - SPRING TERM 2 AND IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.
24th March-4th April	Big Walk and Wheel Campaign - encouraging families to walk or cycle at least part of the way to school
25th March	Nursery and Reception Stay and Play 2:30pm
28th March	PFA Easter Crafternoon
2nd April	Willow Class Easter Experience at St Michael's Church 1:30-3:30
2nd April	Easter Bingo after school - information to follow
4th April	Rotakids - Bunny, Hop, Skip - letter sent home
4th April	School Closes for Easter holiday
23rd April	School Re-opens for the Summer term
11-14th May	KS2 SATS WEEK for Y6
10th June	KS2 Sports Day in the afternoon 1:30-3pm
11th June	KS1 Sports Day in the afternoon 1:30-3pm
18th June	Nursery Sports Day in the afternoon - time TBC
8th and 9th July	Y6 show in the evenings - further information to follow

# Neston Primary School

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INSET DAYS

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

## 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.