



# ELTON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## DREAM TEAM

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### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 25th September—Macmillan Coffee Morning
- 25th September—School Photograph
- 28th September—School Fun Run

### LETTERS HOME

Cheshire Police Assembly—KS2



### JEANS FOR GENES



A big thank you to everyone for successfully raising £173.75 for Jeans for Genes day. Well done!

### TWITTER



You can now keep up to date with all the school news on Twitter, please follow us @eltonprimary.

### WATER BOTTLES



Can we please remind all parents it is school policy that water bottles for consumption in the classroom are to only be filled with water. Thank you.

### YEAR 5 AND 6



Helsby High School are holding their opening evening on Thursday 24th September from 5:30pm to 7:30pm and the Headteachers welcome talk is at 6pm and 6:45pm. Further information is available on their school website.

### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS



All clubs start on Monday 21st September, acceptance slips have been sent out. If you have any queries please contact Anita in the office.

### ANGIES KIDZ CLUB



If you are stuck for childcare over October half term, why not give Angies Kidz Club a call. The holiday club will be open from 26th to 30th October and 2nd November from 7:45am to 6pm. A full day is £26 per day and half day is £13, also there are 3 hour sessions for £8.50. Children will be kept occupied with lots of fun activities including arts and craft, baking, visiting the park and much more. To book please call 07805095781.

### SCHOOL LUNCHES



Don't forget, if your child is in KS1 (Reception - Year 2), they are entitled to a free school meal under the new government legislation. For pupils in KS2 (Years 3 - 6), school meals are charged at £2.20 per day and cash payment can be sent into school in a named envelope. The menu is available on the school website.

### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING



Friday 25th September, Friends of Elton are holding a Macmillan coffee morning between 10 and 12 at the church hall. Everyone is welcome to come along and enjoy a piece of cake for such a wonderful cause.

### STAR OF THE WEEK

This week's Star of the week is for "Writing" and we would like to say congratulations to the following children:

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| Nurs:   | Ava    | Year 3: | Tyla    |
| Rec:    | Zarai  | Year 4: | Roman   |
| Year 1: | Alesha | Year 5: | Phoenix |
| Year 2: | Shaun  | Year 6: | Riley   |



### CELEBRATE



We would like to wish the following children a very happy birthday Piers Y5, Olivia Y1, Shayne Y6, Nikita Y6, Scarlett Y4, Ethan Rec, Vienna Rec, Mackenzie Y6, James Rec, Samuel Rec, Olivia Y4, Austin Y4 and Delilah Y4. We hope you all have a wonderful day.

LUNCH MENU NEXT WEEK IS - WEEK 4

# Headteacher's Blog

Monday saw me leading an assembly about respecting yourself and others – the R in our DREAM TEAM school motto. I always try to remind children and staff about the motto that underpins all that we do here. It was selected by the children and remains key to our policy making. We talked about what respect for yourself means and agreed that it was all about eating sensibly, drinking enough water, getting enough sleep, exercising and not taking drugs or drinking alcohol when you are only young. We said that mental health was also very important and you should respect others when they need support or if you need help then speak out to one of our PALS or a trusted adult so that a little bit fed up doesn't become depressed and anxious. We talked about being respectful of ourselves and not taking inappropriate photos and sharing them, about not sharing images of others that they have not given permission for, about not picking on others and helping them to make the right decisions in their behaviour. It was an extremely good assembly and the children certainly knew what they were talking about in terms of respect, which is reassuring that we are all, you guys included, doing a good job of teaching them self-respect.

I met with Szymon's mum and uncle on Tuesday, our new starter this year and a young boy suffering from Leukaemia. We will be all doing a fun run for a charity of his choice in a couple of weeks so look out for your invitation to join your child and a sponsor form for Szymon.

Mr Manning and I met with the members of Frodsham and Villages Schools alliance, of which we are part, to explain to them the training we are planning for the whole alliance in November. Our school has outstanding ICT provision and we are all highly trained in computing so we will share that expertise and the work our staff and children do with other colleagues. Naturally, I am incredibly proud of my staff, my teachers and TAs are amongst the highest trained and the most motivated of any staff in any school. They give up time after school to deliver clubs, no other schools do this, they give up lunch time to facilitate intervention clubs for those children who may be struggling a little in order for them to catch up, they know each child and what makes them tick, and use that knowledge to plan for activities that interest and excite them in class. It is the start of what will be another fabulous year and I want to just start off as we mean to go on, in a supportive and proactive way, and as a team with the interests of the children at the heart of all that we do. We have been planning lots of activities to celebrate Black History Month, GRT Month, World Peace Day, and the Olympics. In addition we have been talking about how we can embed in our curriculum an opportunity for your children to learn about rudimentary financial savvy, politics, philosophy, ethics, rights, responsibilities, extremism, exploitation, online safety and global awareness- not just because the government thinks we should, but because we want our children to flourish in a strange and ever changing world.

The PTA had their first meeting of the year, it was well attended and I understand a lot of good ideas were presented about sleepovers and movie nights so watch this space as I intend to follow up on a lot of ideas with the PTA this week. I was pleased that many staff and a Governor were also able to support the PTA as this really shows that we are all, as a school, behind their fundraising efforts and all recognize the immense work that they do on our behalf. ON that note, next Friday is the Macmillan coffee morning and the PTA are hosting this for everyone in our village in the church hall between 10 and 12. I would be delighted if as many of you as possible would show support not just for them but also for Macmillan, by coming along for a cuppa, served by me and the Y6 children – let's get behind them and our community and do something GOOD.

Friday we had Genes for Jeans day and we will let you know next week how much money we all raised for this good cause! Some people even did double denim – brave!

**Have a great weekend and I hope to see as many of you as possible on Monday at the Prevent Assembly 9:20!**