



ELTON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

DREAM TEAM

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 28th September—School Fun Run
- 12th October—Harvest Festival
- 23rd October- School Closes for Half Term
- 2nd November—Inset Day (Staff Only)

LETTERS HOME

- Data Collection Sheets—All
- Conway Letter—Year 4
- Attendance Week—All
- Letter to Year 2—Year 2



TWITTER AND SCHOOL WEBSITE



You can keep up to date with daily school news on Twitter @EltonPrimary or the school website is updated on a weekly basis for news and general school information (holiday dates, lunch menus, letters etc.).

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING



Friends of Elton held a Macmillan coffee morning at the church hall today. Mrs Carr and Year 6 went along to help, it was lovely to see everyone from the village helping to raise money for such a wonderful cause.

TODDLER GROUP



Every Thursday the church hall have a toddler group between 10 and 12 am. If you and your little one would like to go along and have a cup of tea and play, everyone is welcome.

CHARITY FUN RUN



Alder Hey

Monday 28th, we are having a charity fun run to raise money for Alder Hey Childrens Hospital who are currently providing treatment for Symon Parlei (Rec) as well as care for his family. The parent fun run will start after morning registration. Any parent who wishes to take part are asked to meet at the Pagoda no later than 9am, where a member of staff will then take you across the school field. Once the parent run is complete, each class will then participate in their own run. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school along with a water bottle.

MACMILLAN COFFEE EVENING/BEAVERS



Beavers are holding an open evening and Macmillan coffee evening on Tuesday 29th September from 6:30 to 7:45pm at the scout hut. If your child is aged between 6 to 8 years old and interested in joining Beavers, why not go along and enjoy some cake.

ELTON FOOTBALL CLUB RESULTS



Well done to Elton U8's for a fantastic 14—1 win against the Groves last weekend. The whole team got Man of the Match.

WE NEED YOUR HELP



Nursery are running out of shelf space and would be very grateful if you know anybody who would be willing to make them some shelves. Thank you.

STAR OF THE WEEK

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

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| Nurs: | Jaiden | Year 3: | Sami |
| Rec: | Ruby | Year 4: | Olivia |
| Year 1: | Antony | Year 5: | Declan |
| Year 2: | Reenee-Rose | Year 6: | Bam |



CELEBRATE



We would like to wish the following children a very happy birthday Jodie Y6, Katy Y6, Lilwen Y3, Beth Y2 and Bethan Y3. We hope you all have a wonderful day.

LUNCH MENU NEXT WEEK IS - WEEK 1

Headteacher's Blog

Monday, International Day of Peace, saw me welcoming parents and junior children to our 'Prevent' assembly. As you will know from previous newsletters, 'Prevent' is part of the Government's strategy to guard against terrorism and schools have been tasked with the job of supporting this. The Government tell us that the 'terrorist threats we face now are more diverse than before, dispersed across a wider geographical area, and often in countries without effective governance. We therefore face an unpredictable situation, with potentially more frequent, less sophisticated terrorist attacks.'

There is no single way of identifying an individual who is likely to be susceptible to a terrorist ideology. As with managing other safeguarding risks, staff will be alert to changes in children's behaviour which could indicate that they may be in need of help or protection. Children at risk of radicalisation may display different signs or seek to hide their views.

School staff will use their professional judgement in identifying children who might be at risk of radicalisation and act appropriately. Even very young children may be vulnerable to radicalisation by others, whether in the family or outside, and display concerning behaviour.

The Prevent duty does not require teachers or childcare providers to carry out unnecessary intrusion into family life but as with any other safeguarding risk, they must take action when they observe behaviour of concern.

Schools and childcare providers have to have clear procedures in place for protecting children at risk of radicalisation. These procedures are set out in existing our safeguarding policy, updated this month to reflect the changes. It is not necessary for schools and childcare settings to have distinct policies on implementing the Prevent duty. General safeguarding principles apply to keeping children safe from the risk of radicalisation as set out in the relevant statutory guidance, 'Working together to safeguard children' and 'Keeping children safe in education' which you can find on the internet.

School staff and childcare providers understand when it is appropriate to make a referral to the Channel programme and I am the SPOC for school, Single Point Of Contact. Channel is a programme which focuses on providing support at an early stage to people who are identified as being vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism. It provides a mechanism for schools to make referrals if they are concerned that an individual might be vulnerable to radicalisation. An individual's engagement with the programme is entirely voluntary at all stages.

School builds pupils' resilience to radicalisation by providing a safe environment for debating controversial issues and helping them to understand how they can influence and participate in decision-making. We are already expected to promote the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of pupils and, within this, fundamental British values and in our school this is done through our P4C lessons and our Global Learning, in addition to assembly and in specific enrichment days that we do.

We do so much to educate our children about tolerance and anti-discriminatory behaviour and were proud to host the "Action Transport Theatre" into school for the Juniors on Wednesday to see the play called 'Happily Ever After' which challenged homophobia.

Today we held our Macmillan Coffee Morning and I am SO proud of our school community. Our PTA, staff, children and Governors held the coffee morning in the local church hall and we had more than 70 people attend and be served by myself and the Y6 children. It really demonstrates the way that we care not just for our school, but our village and our wider world and community when we get out there and make a difference. We can all make a difference, in whatever way, and we truly believe that in our school. No amount of negativity and reticence will stop us doing the right thing and respecting others, the D and R in our DREAM TEAM school motto. The PTA will share with us how much we have raised for Macmillan and in case you were wondering what the impact or purpose of doing stuff like this is ... here is a message from Macmillan:

"There are now 2.5 million people in the UK living with cancer. By 2030, it will be 4 million people, and we want to be there for them all. One in three of us will get cancer, and it will be one of the toughest things we'll ever have to face. Our goal is to make sure no one faces cancer alone. We provide medical, emotional, practical and financial support, as well as campaigning for better cancer care. And because cancer affects more than just those facing it, we're there for friends and family too. We are Macmillan."

As you know, last Friday we had Genes for Jeans day and we raised £173.75 for this good cause!

Staff enjoyed training from our partner school, Helsby High, in online safety on Wednesday during staff meeting and found it invaluable as a refresher into the newer apps and their usage.

I had not only the Children's Centre Advisory Board meeting but also our Full Governor's Meeting on Thursday so we continually revisit aspects of our provision for the community and the school to ensure that we are always providing the best possible for our children and families.

Saturday is European Day of Languages so enjoy the variety of languages spoken in the World Cup as a bare minimum! I am LOVING the rugby, my favourite team game apart from Netball, and it is interesting for children to look into the nationalities of the various teams.