



ELTON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

DREAM TEAM

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Monday 11th July—Inset Day (Staff Only)
Wed 13th & 14th July—Y5 & 6 Performance
Wed 20th July—Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Thursday 21st July—School closes for Summer

LETTERS HOME

Leavers Assembly—Year 6
 Year 5 & 6 Performance— Year 5 & 6
 New Class Teacher—All



CHESTER ZOO



Years 3, 4 and 5 are off to Chester Zoo on Monday. Can you please ensure your child has a packed lunch in a labelled plastic bag (no fizzy drinks), that children are in full school uniform with comfortable footwear (trainers are allowed) and have suitable weather precautions (waterproof coat, sunhat etc).

SPORTS WEEK



Well done to everyone who took part in sports day and congratulations to Beeston who were the winning team. The walk to school raffle was won by Lucy (Y1) and George (Y2) who both won tickets to the Crocky Trail. Thank you to the Crocky Trail for their kind donation.

ENTERPRISE WEEK

This week the school has been busy with budding entrepreneurs. Each class has been given £10 to use to make a profit. Reception have been selling bags of sweets, which they quickly sold out of and are now busy making more. Year 1 made some delicious rocky road and are now making another batch. Year 2 have made keyrings and beautifully decorated gingerbread biscuits. George, Edward, Ashley, Ruby and Beth from Year 2 all came into the office to show Mrs Carr the recipe they had written up in their books and tell her all about making them. Year 3 have been making colourful friendship bracelets and stress balls, the stress balls have already sold out!! Year 4 are making bags of sweets and finally Year 5 and 6 are waiting for the sun to come out to sell ice lollies.

CYBER SAFETY WEEK



On Wednesday 3rd August Youthfed are holding a Cyber Safety workshop at the University of Chester, Thornton. The workshop is available to parents and children who would like to find out more about online safety. This is a ticket only events and further details can be found on the school website under latest news.

THIS WEEKS WINNING TEAM IS DELAMERE ALL CHILDREN IN THIS TEAM CAN WEAR THEIR OWN CLOTHES ON FRIDAY 8th JULY.

★ **STAR OF THE WEEK** ★

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

Nurs: TIERNAN
Rec: LEIGHTON
Year 1: ANTONY
Year 2: OSCAR



Year 3: HARRY
Year 4: BRANDON
Year 5: PIERS
Year 6 : WILLIAM



CELEBRATE



We would like to wish Bailey (Y4), Caitlyn (Y6), Owen (Y6), Aoife (Y1), Brock (Y4) and Lochlyn (Y5) happy birthday. We hope you all have a wonderful day.

Headteacher's Blog

I am sure that you all, like us, have been focusing on the big national news of the week, 'OUT' and the resignation of David Cameron. Even the children have been discussing this, which is fascinating! When I was in primary school, under Margaret Thatcher's Conservative government, I do not recall talking about politics with my school friends so it is a real eye opener that our children have the interest and the knowledge to discuss it!

Sports day last week definitely overshadowed the BREXIT issue for me, we were all too engrossed in that to show much interest in politics and I was so glad that I listened to the Year 6 children who begged me not to cancel it because it would be their last one. For some children, as you know, sports are what they excel at and sports day is the big deal day of the year, so I hate to cancel and like last year we went out despite showers in the morning and heavy rain forecast (and just about got away with it). Well done to everyone in Beeston who was the over all winning team. I love sports day and it is such a good laugh for everyone involved that it was well worth it. A big thanks, again, to SPAR for donating fruit and water and other goodies to the children and the PTA for distributing those goodies around school and for the awesome raffle that was drawn. The prizes that they have are always really great and the money that they raise always goes to excellent causes.

The children here are extremely resourceful and very creative! They have come up with lots of brilliant ideas for Enterprise Day and raised lots of their own money from making things to sell – the future Richard Branson's of the world! Reception have been busy making up bags of sweets, Year 1 made a delicious rocky road. Year 2 with the help of Mrs Dadd and Miss Worthington made 'not just any old biscuits but yummy delicious Y2 biscuits. Oscar and Chloe wrote and directed a campaign song called 'The Biscuit Song' and sang it to every class along with George, Callum, Reenie-Rose and Evie-Louise. Year 3 have made beautiful friendship bracelets and stress balls, unsurprisingly the stress ball have all sold out. Year 4 also have a sweet tooth and are selling bags of sweets. Year 5 and 6 are waiting for the sun to come out to sell their ice lollies, while also rehearsing for the Year 5 and 6 performance. It has been fantastic to see all the children getting involved.

Changes in anything always come with huge benefits, but I know that they often bring issues too. If any of you have any worries about your children in September, their progress, changes at home over the summer etc. please do not hesitate to contact us in school and we can support you and your children in the best way that we are able.

On the topic of change, you will all know how much we have raved about the new pedestrian crossing, and the zigzag lines to stop parking and how it has improved safety for everyone crossing the road outside school, not just when they come to school, or go home, but all of the time. We are also aware that the Parish Council are keen to place a 20MPH speed limit on the road and wish them well with this plan.

I was delighted with the uptake of parents who supported the zoo trip this year. As you know, we cannot run trips anymore without the contributions of parents and whilst we are able to gain discounts on tickets, sometimes free tickets, we are always bound by transport costs and will have to cancel trips in future that do not cover their costs.

The system for paying for trips will change in September when we begin an online payment system for lunch, trips and nursery fees but I think you will all agree, austerity for schools is a huge issue and if we still want to provide a brilliant quality experience for our children, your children, then we have to be really clear about the joint enterprise that this is. The Governors and I will take advice from the LA, the legal team and other schools and will make the necessary changes to our provision in all of those areas in line with legislation, as we do with everything. Have faith! Have a great weekend everyone and if you want to come in and discuss any of the issues raised here, have any suggestions you feel could help, please do so.

CHANGE OF MENU

MONDAY 4TH JULY

AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY

HOT DOGS & FRIES

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TUNA PAST BAKE

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**HAM SANDWICH
WITH
CORN & SALAD BAR**

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COOKIES & FRUIT PLATTER

TUESDAY 5TH JULY

RIO DAY

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VEGETARIAN ENCHILLADES

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CHEESE WRAP

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JELLY & FRUIT PLATTER