Welshampton Church of England Primary School



Growing together in strength, love and wisdom, we shine.

Newsletter Friday 11th October 2024

Message from the Head

It was lovely to see so many of you at our Harvest Festival earlier this week. It is an important time of year where we celebrate and be grateful for the harvest and all those who help produce the food we can take for granted.

Thank you too for the generous donations of nonperishable food that was received. We will ensure that this is taken to local food banks in the coming days which will be then distributed.

Cross-Country Crusaders



Massive congratulations to our children for another amazing cross-country race this week. Once again, we achieved some excellent results despite the weather conditions being very wet. Zain also attended but, despite completing the course, was still too quick for the photograph! Congratulations all!

Ellesmere College Football Tournament

It was a pleasure to spend most of yesterday with our U11 football team competing in a tournament at Ellesmere College. The competition was made up of 14 teams from across Shropshire, Cheshire and Wales and a mixture of independent and state schools.

Our team did brilliantly and competed from the first to the last match with amazing effort and application with no shortage of skill. Overall the team came 5^{th} – but probably deserved to be higher – which was an exceptional achievement considering the size of school against which they were competing.



A special mention to Theo Owen who was awarded the player of the tournament award for being named the player of the match the most times, out of all the teams there. Well done Theo - a great achievement!



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Friends of Welshampton



Our wonderful Friends of Welshampton School do so much to support our small school with events and fundraising throughout each and every year. The funds raised make a huge difference to the educational experience of all the children at Welshampton – but they could do with some more members!

If you are able to help — even a little — please get in touch with either Sophie Mainwaring or Carolyn Lipson, they would be ever so pleased to hear from you. Thank you.



All money raised will go towards activities and experiences for the children including paying for the pantomime in December!

Pupil Premium Funding

Pupil Premium funding is available for eligible families, which provides additional support for children in our school. This funding can be crucial in enhancing educational opportunities and resources for your child.

The Pupil Premium is available to families who receive certain benefits. The eligibility criteria include the following:

- 1. **Income Support** If your family is in receipt of Income Support.
- 2. **Income-Based Job Seekers Allowance** If you are receiving this allowance.
- 3. **Child Tax Credit** If your family earns less than £16,190 per annum and is not receiving Working Tax Credit.
- 4. **Universal Credit** If your household's taxable earnings are less than £7,400 per annum.
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit - If your family qualifies under this criterion.
- 6. Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 If applicable.

If you believe that you meet any of the above criteria, I encourage you to apply for Pupil Premium funding. To apply, you can complete the form attached to this email or alternatively, please contact our school office, and we would be happy to assist you.

We encourage all eligible families to apply for this funding, as it directly benefits your child and helps our school provide additional resources to enhance their learning experience.





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Girlguiding Ellesmere

Girlguiding Ellesmere are running an open event next weekend as a way to reach out to local people - girls and potential volunteers - alongside raising funds for an international trip next summer and they would like to see as many people as possible go along. Please see attached poster for more information.

Fizzgigs Ellesmere

Winter will soon be upon us, so, naturally, Ellesmere's brilliant Winter Festival can't be far away, either.

As is the tradition, this will take place on Friday 29th November. There will be loads going on around the town, including Father Christmas in his Grotto. Please see attached letter for further information.

Attendance

This week

Willow Class 97% **
Beech Class 94% **
Oak Class 98% **

Average 96%

Our whole target is 97%

Shining Stars of the Week

Willow Class

Oliver for his amazing letter formation

Beech Class

Imy for her beautiful handwriting

Oak Class

William for the most amazing effort in class

Class Dojo Champs

Willow Class

Charlotte, Kasen, Teddy

Beech Class

Imy, Meghan and Sophia

Oak Class

Freddie, Luke Dar, Zoe

Outside Achievements

Congratulations to **Kiera** for gaining her 25 metres badge in swimming and also to **Robin** for competing in the Shropshire Sailing Club Regatta! Well done both!

Have a wonderful weekend!

Your sincerely, Mr Crompton.

Key School Dates

October	
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14 th October	Parents Evening
15 th October	Parents Evening

21st October U9 & U11 Football Matches

Ellesmere College 3:30pm – 4:45pm

22nd October Newhampton Journey Day 23rd October U9/U11 Football Tournament

Ellesmere College

24th October Beech Class Ironworks Trip 25th October FOW Half Term School Disco

January

6th – 8th January Year 5 & 6 Residential Trip

Robinwood

March

13th – 14th March Year 3 & 4 Residential Trip

Condover

May

12th – 15th May Year 6 SATs Week

June

8th – 13th June Phonics Screening Check

Year 4 Multiplication Check



