

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/Carers

LIONS PRIDE AWARD

There has been some superb evidence coming in since Christmas and lots of children are way on their way to their next award. It would be fantastic to see more of the children to take part in the scheme. If you would like for your child to take part, but have questions, please get in touch with Mrs Whittaker.

If your child has already achieved an award, please encourage them to continue and go for the next one.

ELECTRIC SCOOTERS

We have observed an increase in the use of electric scooters on the playground in recent weeks, particularly during drop-off and pick-up times.

For the safety of all children and adults on the playground, we kindly request that you **refrain from bringing electric scooters to school.**

Thank you for supporting us on this matter.

BETH TWEEDLE

Get ready for an amazing week! Olympic gymnast Beth Tweedle will be joining us for a special whole-school assembly. We can't wait for our children to experience this inspiring visit!

BIKEABILITY FOR YEAR 5 & 6

Bikeability Level 1 & 2 is aimed at children from **Year 5 and Year 6 who can already ride unaided.** The training starts on the playground and then those that are capable and safe are taken out onto the quiet local roads around the school. The places are now limited so if you have not already booked on, please take a look to see if any places are left.

. If you would like your child in **year 5** to take part, please click on the link directly below:

<https://bikeright.co.uk/events/1f9939ec-9ebc-4936-8351-d1c12869f624/>

. If you would like your child in **year 6** to take part, please click on the link directly below:

<https://bikeright.co.uk/events/78c40a17-dae3-4ee7-801a-4ca54f8978e5/>

Please **DO NOT** share the link or add any other family members who are not in the year 5 or 6 as they will be removed. **All children must have a road worthy bike and helmet for lessons. All parents must give consent via the link your children will not be able to take part without this.**



SCHOOL GRID

We kindly request all parents to log on to School Grid and review their account balances.

. **Clear any outstanding amounts:** Prompt and regular payments help ensure the smooth running of school operations.

. **Consider weekly or advance payments:** This helps avoid the accumulation of larger balances on accounts.

. **Explore the direct debit option:** Setting up direct debits can significantly simplify payment processes and ensure timely contributions.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

UNIFORM

A lot of children are turning up for school not in the correct school uniform, to include PE days. Could I please remind you all that we are still in the winter period meaning children should be wearing white shirts / polo shirt, /grey trousers or skirts / jumper / cardigans and a school tie. PE clothing is black top / trousers and white polo shirt – no designer labels please.

Footwear is also important which should be black shoes, not designer trainers. We have also noticed a lot of jewellery, rings and necklaces and bracelets please do not wear them for school. If you have earrings these should be studded. Please come into school to see me if you are struggling with this We are here to help.

ARBOR



Arbor is coming soon! Expect a welcome email to create your account in the upcoming weeks. It'll be your one stop shop for school stuff – from giving those tricky consents to keeping tabs on attendance. Plus, we've got exciting things planned like curriculum after school club info and even booking parents evenings!

A MESSAGE FROM THE POLICE

MISUSE OF THE 999 SYSTEM – HOAX CALLS

PC Sarah Bailiff, Youth Engagement Officer Ellesmere Port and Neston

During June 2024, a mobile phone was used to make numerous hoax calls to police on the 999 system, and due to the disruption, this was causing by delaying genuine calls, a temporary block was placed on this number. In January 2025, the same number was used again to call 999 with the person reporting a serious sexual assault. Multiple officers were immediately dispatched on an emergency response to locate the alleged victim. Unfortunately, this again turned out to be a hoax call, with the individual making further calls goading police to find them. It is highly likely that others were encouraging them to do this. As a result of an investigation, the caller was found to be a 13-year-old student from Ellesmere Port who had not been the victim of any crime. This incident will now be dealt with appropriately. Everyone is reminded that hoax 999 calls use up valuable resources and delay response to genuine emergencies, potentially putting the lives of others at risk.

Police treat hoax calls very seriously as they put others at serious risk, so it's important that people are educated on the dangers and possible consequences. It is an offence to make a malicious or hoax call to the emergency services and hoax callers could face a maximum penalty of up to six months in prison or a fine of £5,000. All calls to the emergency services are recorded and we can always trace the number, **even if the call is made from a withheld number** or a public phone box.

If your friend or family member needed to contact the police/fire/ambulance etc. in an emergency, think how you would feel if they were unable to get assistance because the operator had been busy on a hoax call.

The misuse of 999 is a problem that we shouldn't have to deal with. It is highly irresponsible and frustrating for call handlers who are trying to do their job and get help to people genuinely in need. We are urging parents/carers to help us educate their family members about hoax calling 999. **Please only call 999 for serious and life-threatening emergencies.**

ACCIDENTAL DIALS

What should I do if I call 999 by mistake, such as a "pocket dial" or a small child getting hold of the phone? Speak to the operator and explain what has happened and that the call was an accident. If you do not do this, it will be assumed that there is an emergency, and the operator will spend time trying to ensure your safety.

SOCIAL MEDIA SAFETY

We have been made aware of videos on a social media platform containing pupils from our school. The videos are on a public profile and show children miming to songs which are inappropriate for their age. Please can we ask you to be vigilant with online safety and, if you choose to create videos with your children, set your profile to private. Can we also please request that you try to keep the videos age appropriate.

ATTENDANCE

And the results from this week's attendance matches are in!! A mixed bag of results this week but within that were some truly fantastic results!

This week's results are:

Podmore's Panther's 3 (99.3%) vs 1 (96.7%) Billinge's Butterflies

Sixsmith's Sun Bears 3 (98.3%) vs 2 (98.2%) Coy's Cobras

Farrelly's Foxes 0 (93.9%) vs 1 (94.2%) McClean's Monster

Don't forget you get 1 point for having more than 95%, 2 points for more than 97% and 3 points for 100% plus the winning team get an extra point!

A big well done to year 3 who have finally won again! Can they win twice in a row? Only Chester Ladies Football Club are playing at home this weekend so one lucky winner will take home this season pass. Well done everyone!

Just a little note from us. We know sometimes you will already have plans on the weekend you receive the pass, so please feel free to gift it to another member of the class. If you could just let us know who you've given it to, that would be great. Thank you.

Next week's games are:

Booth's Bunnies vs Coy's Cobras

Farrelly's Foxes vs Billinge's Butterflies

Sixsmith's Sun Bears vs McClean's Monsters

Good luck everyone!!

Please can I ask that if you take the sports passes home on the Friday, you return them with your child on Monday ready to be given out again for the next winning class. Thank you.

SCHOOL DISCO



We will be holding a school disco on Thursday 13th February here at the school. You will need to pay £1.50 on school spider for your child to attend. The cost will include unlimited drinks throughout. You will see this appear under purchases on school spider and it will be taken down Thursday 12th February. Unfortunately, you will not be able to purchase tickets after this date. We will not accept cash for entry so it is important your school spider is up and running correctly. We will have a tuck shop available for your children if you would like to give extra pennies for sweets and crisps. The PTA runs the kitchen at this event but we are in desperate need for some volunteers in KSI. If you have a child in KSI and can help at all for the duration of the infant disco please do let us know. **KSI- 5:00pm-6:00pm KS2- 6:15pm-7:30pm**

RESIDENTIALS

Just a friendly reminder that the **FINAL** payment for the exciting Delamere trip is due soon. Don't miss out on all the adventures! Please make sure the payment is made by 31.01.25. If you have any questions, just drop the school office an email at admin2@rossmore.cheshire.sch.uk. We're looking forward to a fantastic trip!

This message announces the return of the Year 6 residential trip! Here's a summary:

- . **Destination:** Boreatton Park in Shrewsbury
- . **Dates:** Same as the original Kingswood trip Wednesday 21st May – Friday 23rd May
- . **Sleeping arrangements:** Children will need to bring their own sleeping bags and pillows.
- . **Payments:** Continue making payments on School Spider. January payment is due next week.

This is exciting news for the Year 6 students!

Year Group	Trip	Dates	Cost	Payment
Year 2	Delamere	26 th February – 28 th February 2025	£80	Deposit – £20 Due by the 25 th October November payment – £20 December payment – £20 Final payment January – £20
Year 6	Boreatton Park	21 st May – 23 rd May 2025	£150	Deposit – £50 due by the 29 th September Instalment - £50 due by 31 st January Final instalment - £50 due by 28 th March
Year 5 & Year 6 2025	France	8 th September – 12 th September	£450	Deposit – £100 due 25 th November £50 due January Final balance is due June

PE TIMATABLE

PE/ Hall	Morning	Afternoon	Forest school
Monday		Y1	
Tuesday	Rec	Y3/Y2	
Wednesday	Y4	Y1/Y6	
Thursday	Y5 – commando Jo	Y6 – commando Jo Y3 – PE	Y1
Friday	Y2/Y4	Rec/Y5	

Remember: Wrap Around Care

We offer a **Wrap Around Care club** every day after school. This provides a safe and engaging environment for your child with a small fee. You can easily book places for Wrap Around Care through the School Spider system.

Day	Club	Year Group	Person in Charge	Places available
Monday	Board Games	KS1	Miss Farrelly	FULL
	Maths Booster	Y6	Miss Whittaker	INVITE ONLY
Tuesday	Parliament	KS2	Miss Booth	Current choir participants only
	Football	5&6	Mr Shaw	Current football participants only
	Guitar Club	KS2	Mr Shaw	FULL
	Maths Booster	Y6	Mrs Davis McCoy	INVITE ONLY
Wednesday	Choir	Key stage 2 – INVITE ONLY	Mr Billinge	Current choir participants only
	Drama Club	KS1	Miss Mclean	FULL CANCELLED DUE TO STAFF TRAINING
Thursday	Commando Joe	KS2	Commando Joe	FULL

*****KEY DATES*****

Wed 29th Feb	Whole school assembly with Beth Tweedle
Fri 31st Feb	ELS Bus Book Visit
Mon 3rd Feb	Third assessment window for Lions Pride
Mon 3rd Feb	Year 6 WW2 workshop
Wed 12th Feb	Lions Pride assembly 2.15pm
Thur 13th Feb	School Disco KS1- 5:00pm-6:00pm KS2- 6:15pm-7:30pm
Tue 25th Feb	Young Voices Concert Co-Op Live Manchester
Wed 26th Feb	Delamere residential
Fri 28th Mar	Own clothes day in exchange for Easter Eggs
Mon 1st Apr	Fourth assessment window for Lions Pride
Thur 3rd Apr	Easter Bingo 5.30pm eyes down at 6pm
Wed 9th Apr	Rock Steady concert 9.30am
Mon 12th May	Fifth assessment window for Lions Pride
Fri 16th May	Sports day 10:00am – 12pm for KS2 / 1:30pm- 3pm for KS1
Tue 20th May	Lions Pride assembly 2.15pm
Wed 21st May	Year 6 Kingswood residential
Fri 4th Jul	Own clothes day in exchange for Bottles
Fri 13th Jun	Sports Day reserve date 10:00am – 12pm for KS2 / 1:30pm- 3pm for KS1
Fri 27th Jun	Own clothes day in exchange for chocolate and sweets
Mon 30th Jun	AmaSing Concert Chester Cathedral
Mon 7th Jul	Sixth and final assessment window for Lions Pride
Thur 10th Jul	Summer fair starts at 2pm
Wed 16th Jul	Lions Pride 2.15pm
Fri 18th Jul	Break up for Summer

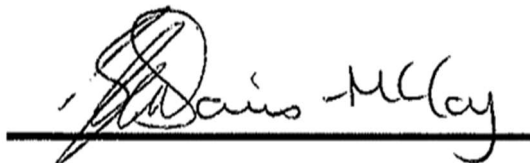
Dates subject to change: we endeavour to give as much notice as possible

Full term dates for this academic year can be found here on our website:

<http://www.rossmore.cheshire.sch.uk/page/school-holidays/35818>

FACEBOOK Please keep checking out our Facebook page for reminders about events coming up in school. Please follow the link: <https://www.facebook.com/rossmoreschool/>

Have a great weekend



Mrs S Davis-McCoy

Head Teacher

Mrs Bouckley Acting Head – Monday / Tuesday

Mrs Davis McCoy Head Teacher – Wednesday / Thursday / Friday