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**'A Love for Learning'**

## Friday Flyer – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Dear Parent

We are almost at the end of the first half term of the year. I am looking forward to warmer weather, less wet breaks and lots of opportunity to get outdoors and enjoy our ever-changing provision. The No Outsiders van is next on the list for a revamp of its interior so that pupils can find a quiet place to read and listen to music.

### Cheshire Phoenix Basketball

It was great to see so many of our pupils at the Cheshire Phoenix game last Sunday. The children cheered on the Phoenix team who took on Newcastle Eagles with the final score 82 Vs 70 to the home team; a superb win and an exciting game.

There is a **half-term** camp for pupils aged 7-11 run by coaches and pro players. If you book all three days you can get a free ticket for the game against Surrey Scorchers on 5<sup>th</sup> March!

Email – [youthbb@cheshirephoenix.com](mailto:youthbb@cheshirephoenix.com) to book.



**HALF TERM CAMP**

LED BY OUR PRO PLAYERS & COACHES AT EPSV

MONDAY 20TH FEB	TUESDAY 21ST FEB	WEDNESDAY 22ND FEB
AGES 7-18 9AM-12PM	AGES 7-11 9AM-12PM	AGES 7-11 9AM-12PM
	AGES 11+ 12PM-3PM	AGES 11+ 12PM-3PM

**FREE TICKET**

**£65** FOR ALL 3 DAYS

TO OUR GAME VS SURREY SCORCHERS ON THE 5TH MARCH

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## Winnington Park MINIS *and* JUNIORS are looking for new players.

**Girls play rugby too!**

Whether you're a cadet or a ballet dancer, there's a place for you at **Winnington Park Girls' Rugby**

**New players wanted!** If you're in Year 5 or 6, come and give rugby a try!

- ✓ We play for fun, fitness and friendship
- ✓ Never held a rugby ball? No problem.
- ✓ All abilities welcome
- ✓ Best facilities in the area
- ✓ All coaches DBS checked

**1 MONTH FREE TRIAL**

Contact Jen for info  
07557 682190  
[enquiries@wprfc.com](mailto:enquiries@wprfc.com)

At Winnington Park Rugby Club, we have rugby teams in every age group for boys and girls from age 3 and up to senior men's and ladies teams and we are particularly looking for **new players (boys and girls) in Years 5 and 6**. We are proud to have some of the best facilities in the area and being such a dedicated, vibrant and diverse club allows us to instil the core rugby values and develop players of all ages, ability and gender.

Rugby is an excellent sport for boys and girls of all ages:

- ✓ They'll experience the incredible feeling of being part of a team,
- ✓ They'll learn how strong and powerful their body is,
- ✓ They'll learn to bounce back from setbacks and disappointment,
- ✓ They'll build discipline and respect, and
- ✓ They'll know they're unstoppable!

All of our coaches are DBS checked and we ensure that every available player will play at least half a match.

Whether you're new to rugby or not, you'll find a warm welcome at Winnington Park Rugby Club. It's not just a sport, it's a community and your player will learn new skills while making friends and having fun.

Never picked up a rugby ball? No problem! All abilities welcomed.

If you're looking for a new sport for your child, bring a pair of trainers and a water bottle and come and join us!

**For more info, contact Jen on 07557 682190 or [enquiries@wprfc.com](mailto:enquiries@wprfc.com)**

## Let's Connect Week

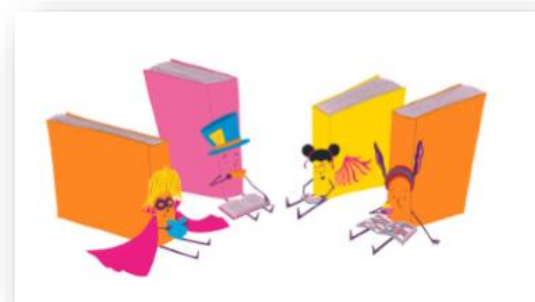
On Monday, Mrs Whiteside led our assembly for Children's Mental Health Week. We talked about this year's theme 'Let's Connect'; how we can connect with others in healthy, rewarding and meaningful ways, and how this can have a positive impact on our mental health and well-being. In the classroom, children have taken part in various activities to explore different ways of connecting with others. Further free resources for families can be found at <https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/>



## The NEST

Our Nest is a superb sanctuary where pupils across school can be supported by our **ELSA** (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant) trained **Learning Mentor** – Mrs Whiteside. Our **Nest Padlet** shares a range of online resources – [The Nest \(padlet.com\)](https://www.padlet.com) supporting pupils mental health and well-being – *if you have any good sites that you think would be worth adding – please let us know.* We have a number of books that can be borrowed from our Lending Library, covering a range of topics such as anger, loss and bereavement. If you would like to borrow any of our books or have a look at what we have to offer, please get in touch with Mrs Whiteside [sally.whiteside@kelsall.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:sally.whiteside@kelsall.cheshire.sch.uk).

## World Book Day – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023



World Book Day takes place on **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** and we hope you'll join us as we come together to celebrate our World Book Day in school. On the day, pupils are invited to dress up as their favourite book character. There are lots of ideas for cheap, easy costumes here; [75 Easy World Book Day Costume Ideas 2022 - tried and tested by parents | Mumsnet](#) There will be range of reading themed activities throughout the day and a book swap shop too. Just bring in a book you no longer want and exchange for another. More details to follow...

## Parenting in the Digital World

To allow you to help your young people navigate themselves through their ever rapidly growing digital lives, whilst at the same time allowing them to be independent digital users, we are running a special live, **virtual online safety presentation on 07.03.23 at 7pm (On Zoom).** During the informal Q&A session at the end of the presentation, Richard will be happy to stay online for as much time as needed to help address any of your individual questions and comment. **A link to the Zoom will be sent out nearer the time.**



## Attendance

Attendance at school is important both academically and for social/emotional reasons. Whilst we understand that pupils will be absent from time to time due to illness; absence from school for other reasons should only be for exceptional circumstances. As a school we look at each request for leave from school on a case by case basis.

**Holidays taken in term time will be subject to a fine.** Where **attendance** falls below **90%** for any pupil, **we will contact you** to discuss this and put in any additional support needed. Persistent absence can also result in a fixed fine.

## ACORNS NURSERY CLASS

We have places in our Acorns Nursery Room; 2/3 year olds.  
These are morning/afternoon or all day sessions.

If you are interested and wish to arrange a tour of our setting,  
please contact [admin@kelsall.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@kelsall.cheshire.sch.uk)

Childcare vouchers accepted. ☒



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### Breaktime snacks

Please ensure that snacks for break are healthy – no crisps, sweets or chocolate please. We are a **NUT FREE** school as many of our pupils are severe allergies – please **do not** send in snacks that contain nuts or nuts as snacks. Fruit is always offered free of charge firstly to Nursery & Reception and then to the rest of the school.

**We now offer a snack at break; toast, crumpet, bagel etc each day – get in touch with the office if you would like your child to have a snack.**



### myHappymind

We have introduced a program to all year groups at school called my**Happy**mind.

my**Happy**mind is all based around helping children to understand how their brain works and to support them in developing positive skills and habits to be their very best selves!

my**Happy**mind is delivered in school by class teachers through a series of interactive lessons and then the children apply these learnings throughout the day. To further embed this learning and ensure that you are able to engage in these topics with your child, my**Happy**mind has developed a set of resources for parents. These resources can be accessed online on your computer, or through an app on your phone. The resources allow children to continue to practise some of the habits they have developed at school, such as happy breathing, for you to learn more about what they are learning in the program. Also included are activities for you to do together at home, to complement the in-school lessons.



To access these materials just go to <https://myhappymind.org/parent-resources> and enter your name, email, and authentication code; **138742**

We really encourage you to make use of this **free content** so that you can support your child in getting the best out of the curriculum. If you have any questions about the curriculum, please contact your class teacher.

If you have any technical questions about accessing the resources, please contact [hello@myHappymind.org](mailto:hello@myHappymind.org)

### Camp Curiosity

Year 5 & 6 really enjoyed their time in our Camp Curiosity area this week. They worked on their creativity, perseverance & team work, taking into consideration their own mental health and well-being. There are two places left on our KS2 Camp Curiosity after school club – get in touch with Gemma to secure your place!

[Kelsall After School Club 2023 - Tuesdays from 28th Feb - 28th March-Camp Curiosity \(wix.com\)](https://www.wix.com/kelsall-after-school-club/2023-02-28th-March-Camp-Curiosity)



### After School Clubs


Thanks to all of the staff who have given their time to support after school clubs this half term. We are pleased to be able to offer a wide range of clubs including French, SATs, Coding, Number Club, Phonics, Basketball, Football, Salsa, Digital Wizards, Amazing and our new **Camp Curiosity Club** to be added next term. Clubs continue up to 24<sup>th</sup> March. New clubs will be sent out for the summer term.

## Diary Dates

Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 23	<b>Y6</b> to Tarporley High – Aladdin Performance
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 23	School Closes for <b>SPRING HALF TERM</b>
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 23	School opens for pupils
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 23	World Book Day
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> March to Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Y4</b> Residential - Tattenhall
W/B 20 <sup>th</sup> March 23	Last week for School Led Clubs
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Parent's Evenings</b>
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>3.30 – 7.00</b>
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 23	School Closes for <b>EASTER BREAK</b>
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 23	School opens for pupils
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> April to Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> April 23	<b>Y5</b> to Isle of Man
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 23	Class/Group Photographs (Y5 will be rearranged)
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 23	<b>MAY DAY</b> – School closed
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 23	<b>KING's Coronation Day</b> – School Closed
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Y6</b> SATS Tests
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 23	School opens for pupils
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Y3</b> Residential - Delamere
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 23	School Closes for <b>HALF TERM</b>
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 23	<b>INSET Day – Staff ONLY</b>
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 23	School opens for pupils
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 23	School Closes for <b>SUMMER HOLIDAYS</b>



**Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile**  
 Thu 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb - 3.30 pm  
 Kelsall Methodist Hall  
 Admission: Adults: £5 Under 11s: Free  
 Enquiries: 01829 752931  
 Half term film. Under 11s free - must be accompanied by an adult.  
 Popcorn, bakes, and drinks served from 3pm.  
 Lyle enjoys helping the Primm family with everyday chores and playing with the neighborhood kids but one neighbor insists that Lyle belongs in a zoo. Mr. Grumps and his cat, Loretta, do not like crocodiles, and Lyle tries to prove that he is not as bad as others might first think.  
 Starring: Javier Bardem, Constance Wu, Scott McElroy

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## Cost of Living

I am acutely aware that the cost of living for lots of families will be affecting you in different ways. As a school, we are looking at ways in which we can support our staff, families and the local community.

If you need support, please do contact me and I will do my upmost to support where I can. If you have any ideas that might be useful to other families then let me know; things like a uniform sale, books swap, food bank donations, food bank on site...etc.

## Internet Safety

Visit our E-safety Padlet for hints and helpful tips for navigating the vast array of apps that our children are using.  
 Click here - -> [E-Safety \(padlet.com\)](https://www.padlet.com)

## Be Curious, Creative & Kind

Have a lovely weekend

Mr Wearing, Mrs White and the Kelsall TEAM



Has someone done something online that has made you or a child or young person you know, feel worried or unsafe? Click on the link to the left