



Ecclesbourne Primary School

Newsletter Friday 30th September 2022



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy start to the term but it has been lovely to have the children back in school. It has also been lovely to see so many parents visiting the school for curriculum workshops and class assemblies. We hope to offer many events this year where parents can engage with the school. All the children have settled in well to their new classes and made a good start to the year. You should have received a newsletter recently from the teachers about the sorts of things your child will be studying this term but if you can't find it, they are all posted on the website under newsletters. The website is the best place to find information about upcoming events and to catch up with news stories so make sure you check in occasionally at www.pegasusacademytrust.org. Alternatively, if you have any questions or queries just ask your class teacher. They will always be happy to help.

The Willows Family Centre Over the past few months, we have been carrying out renovation works in what used to be the Ecclesbourne Children's Centre. This had become a disused space but we are pleased that we have now reopened it as The Willows Family Centre. We are hopeful that this will become a well used space that will help to serve our pupils and the wider community. We will be offering various services and sessions in the rooms. This week we started with baby and toddler yoga and launched our Junior Jam sessions. We are also currently offering a parental ESOL course. Over the coming weeks, we hope to be able to offer a wider range of activities and drop in sessions so keep an eye out for texts and messages. More information can be found at www.pegasusacademytrust.org/ecclesbourne-primary-school/willows-family-centre.

Donations and collections. Many thanks to everybody who kindly donated to our Jeans for Genes day. We raised over £280 for the valuable work of this charity. Thank you also to everyone who donated cakes or money, or dropped in for a coffee, as part of our Macmillan Coffee morning.

The Felix Project For those new to the school, and as a reminder to others, on Wednesdays we have a free 'shop'. Each week, we are given a selection of produce from a charity called The Felix Project. This is generally surplus produce from supermarkets or vegetables from growers. We then redistribute this for free. We never know what we are going to get but all are welcome to come and help themselves. All we ask is that you are mindful of only taking what you need so that we can help as many as possible and that you remember to bring a carrier bag so that we don't have to issue environmentally damaging plastic bags.

Pre-loved Uniform We have been given a selection of pre-loved uniform. Although it is second hand, it is in good condition and we will be giving it away free. This will also be available for people to help themselves to on Wednesdays after school so come and have a look. If you have any uniform at home that children have grown out of but is still in good condition, we would love to have it to help other families and reduce the environmental impact of people repeatedly buying new clothes. Please make sure that any donations are clean and in good condition and we will try to redistribute them. As well as helping people to save money, recycling clothes in this way is a really important step in helping to protect our environment.

Dates for the diary

Monday 10th October/ Wednesday 12th October—Parents' evenings

Friday October 21st - End of half term

Wednesday 2nd November— Back to school

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