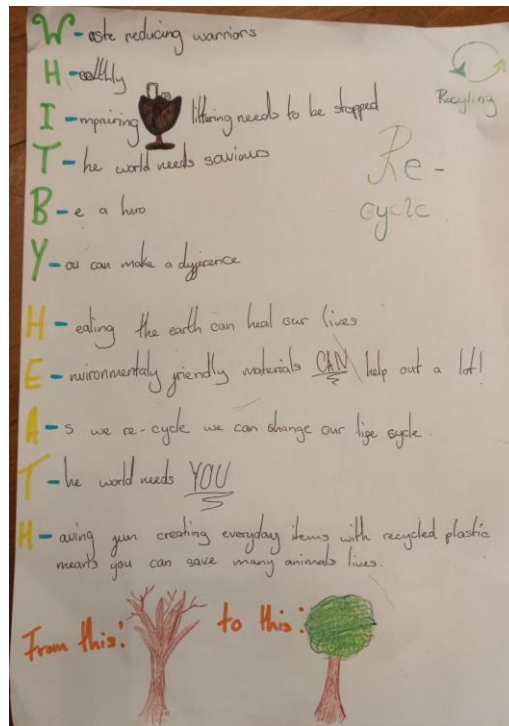




In our Monday assemblies this week, the Eco Ambassadors discussed our new project that the school will be partaking in, in conjunction with TerraCycle. TerraCycle helps to eliminate waste by coming up with innovative ways to recycle. As a school, we will be collecting all our finished stationery and passing it onto TerraCycle to make into new products. The Eco Ambassadors also shared their progress towards the Green Flag Eco School's Award and our school's new Eco-Code, made by Amy in Year 6.



Yesterday, we celebrated World Maths Day. The children took part in various problem solving investigations, outdoor and active Maths learning, as well as Times Table Rockstars competitions. In our Celebration Assembly today, along with our weekly Maths awards, we will also be handing out 'Maths Champion' certificates to a child in each class - someone who has really shone and has shown a passion for their Maths learning whilst celebrating World Maths Day.

Year 5 enjoyed a visit from Mr Lewis from Ellesmere Port Catholic High yesterday. They enjoyed deepening their learning about properties of different materials and how they change. They used their knowledge on soluble and insoluble materials to create a gooey, slime mixture!

Well done to all of our Shining Superstars this week:

Oak Class - Nancee F
Elm Class - Charlie S
Ash Class - Alfie B
Beech Class - Jayden S
Fir Class - Isla W
Cherry Class - Macie T
Poplar Class - Mollie C



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'Excellence in a Caring Community'

Rowan Class - Harry McN
Cedar Class - Kai S
Holly Class - Abigail R
Sycamore Class - Jacob B
Willow Class - Mia J
Birch Class - Alfie C
Maple Class - Scarlett Ca

Congratulations to you all!

This week's Top Three classes for attendance are:

First: Cherry 99%
Second: Cedar 98%
Third: Ash 97.9%



Whole school attendance: 96%

This is a big improvement from last week's attendance percentages. Our whole school percentage is at our target of 96% - well done everyone!

Local Football Coaching

There are local football coaching sessions happening for children from Reception to Year 6 at Ellesmere Port Catholic High School Capenhurst Lane, Whitby, CH65 7AQ. These sessions are every Monday night during term time, starting 17th April.

Group 1 5:30pm - 6:30pm Ages 4 - 6

Group 2 6:30pm - 7:30pm Ages 7 - 8

Group 3 7:30pm - 8:30pm Ages 9 - 12



To book a place on To the course, text Ellesmere Port + Child's Name & Age + Group Number (1, 2 or 3) and receive confirmation by text 07856 315 637.

King's School Activity Days

All Year 5 pupils are invited to join the Activity Days at King's Seniors on Wednesday 21st June or Thursday 22nd June. Parents/carers can find out more information about the Activity Days and book a place via their website - <https://www.kingschester.co.uk/admissions/visit-us/>

The teachers are planning some really fun activities and lessons for the children. Lunch will be provided, as well as a drink and snack at breaktime. All the children need to bring with them is a pencil case.

If you have any questions about the event, please don't hesitate to contact Erica Sears on 01244 689553, or by email at admissions@kingschester.co.uk

Parking

Please can we remind parents/carers to be mindful of parking on the roads around school at drop off/collection. It is an offense to park on the yellow zig-zags. If you are able to, park a little further away and walk with your child/ren to school - this will help with any congestion as well as the safety of our school community.

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Dragon Adventure Holiday Club at Theatre Porto

Please find information below from Theatre Porto about a holiday club they will be running during the Easter break.

Dates: Easter (3rd-6th April) 2023 10am-2pm including a free lunch

Ages: 8 - 12 years old / £ Free

Four days of activity, using drama and puppet making. A dragon egg has been discovered in Whitby Park, join us to explore where it came from using crafts puppetry and drama activities. Priority will be given to young people who are eligible for free school meals. Further details:

<https://theatreporto.org/take-part/>

Holiday Activities and Food Programme

The Council, alongside Edsential and a range of community partners, are running a wide range of fantastic activities for the Easter Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF) that will run throughout the school spring holiday.

The HAF Programme is funded nationally and provides funding for local organisations to provide activities for children and young people during the holidays, helping them to access healthy food and take part in fun activities over the school holidays.

Over the spring there will be a wide range of HAF programmes delivered across the borough by our local partners.

This year all provision for the HAF Programme can be found on the new dedicated west Cheshire area on the Edsential website: <https://edsential.com/haf-cheshire-west/>

Finally

At the end of this term, we will be saying goodbye to Ms Oliver, our HLTA. Ms Oliver works across all year groups and will be sadly missed by children and staff. She has been successful in obtaining another TA post at a school closer to where she lives, in Liverpool.

Mrs Ablett will be taking over Ms Oliver's role as our HLTA from the Summer term. We are excited to welcome Mrs Ablett back to Whitby Heath.

Mrs E Williams