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Dear Parent,

It has been a fairly action packed first week back after what I hope was a good half term for families. The weather has not helped a great deal. The Games teachers have worked hard to fulfil the fixture programme and matches have gone ahead in some instances. Drier weather will, hopefully, follow to allow catch up of any postponed events and information is posted on the Ellesmere College website. The next few weeks are very busy.

On Thursday, pupils had an enjoyable PSHE morning (Personal, Social and Health Education). They explored educational experiences from a broad range of topics. It was lovely to receive positive feedback from external presenters regarding the enthusiasm and manners of the pupils.

The Monduli / Hope House sponsored walk takes place on Monday 12th June. Mrs Allen asks that pupils collect and complete their sponsor forms as soon as possible. Mrs Allen also asks parents to check the weather to enable pupils to bring suitable footwear and outer clothing. It is also essential for pupils to bring a water bottle to School, (plus a hat if it turns sunny). Please contact Mrs Allen if you have any questions regarding this event. Cathy.allen@ellesmere.com

The Lower School Photograph is on Tuesday 13th June. Pupils will require a purple College jumper for the event. Information regarding viewing the proof and order details will follow.

Mrs Paul would like to draw your attention to the Lower School Music Concert that takes place next week. Families are warmly welcomed to attend what is always a lovely evening. The concert takes place in the Arts Centre on Thursday 15th from 6.30pm and usually lasts about one hour. There will be a rehearsal at 4.40pm on the day and all pupils will then eat together at 5.45pm prior to the event.

Pupils have been encouraged to design posters for a local art competition. The theme is protection of wildlife and entries should be handed in to the Lower School Secretary by the end of the day on Friday 9th June.

A new club starts this Tuesday at lunchtime. Samba Band will meet and work using 30 Brazilian drums generously funded by the College Parents' Society. Think 'Carnival in Rio' with professional percussionist Claire Stone and no previous experience is necessary. This will be so exciting for the pupils! The overall aim is to create an Ellesmere College Samba Band.

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On a general note, should parents wish to pick up their child before the end of the school day e.g. dentist etc., please report to the Lower School reception first and sign out. This ensures that registers are kept up to date and in line with fire regulations. We also are required to check that pupils are travelling with an identified adult.

Expeditions are in the last week of term. Mrs Morgan has attached a grid to the end of this News Letter to help with planning.

It is also worth noting the end of the Summer Term is Saturday 1st July. Should pupils come without parents, College transport arrives one hour later than normal. The last assembly for Lower School starts at 12 noon and is followed by Strawberries and fizz on the Terraces. Pupils may wish to come in with their parents for this event and refreshments will be served from 11.30am. It is usually a lovely way to finish the Academic Year.

Have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely,



Lower School Expo's 26th-29th June 2017

Below is an overview of the activities taking place during Expeditions week for Lower School. Each day will be non-uniform but please bear in mind the weather; hopefully we'll have some sun and therefore sun-screen, water and a hat are essential. Sensible footwear is also a must for all the activities. If we have wet weather a waterproof coat will be required for all activities. I have included some clothing guidance in brackets next to certain activities. Any spending money brought on trips is the responsibility of the child. A small day bag is a good idea as packed lunches will be provided and may have to be carried by the child until it is time to eat.

Monday

- Y3 and Y4 Acton Scott Working Farm (*trainers or walking boots, rough clothing and Wellingtons if it is wet*)
- Y5 Roman Soldier in school
- Y6 Manchester Museum of Science and Industry
- Y7 Castles trip, North Wales (*trainers*)
- Y8 Chester Zoo Biology Field trip

Tuesday

- Y3 and Y4 Enginuity at Ironbridge
- Y5 Chester Zoo
- Y6 Blists Hill Victorian Museum
- Y7 Spaceport, U-boat and ferry, Liverpool
- Y8 Chill Factore, Manchester (***warm clothing, hat, water-proof jacket, gloves – helmet and snow-boots will be provided***)

Wednesday

- Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 Theatre Clwyd
- Y7 'Thinktank', Birmingham
- Y8 STEM – in School

Thursday

- AM: KS2 Swimming gala (*come to school in sports kit and bring swimming kit*)
- KS3 Outdoor games/training (*come to school in sports kit*)
- PM: All Years, Sports Day (*sports kit*)

Friday will be a normal school day and children should come to school in uniform. If you have any queries please contact your child's tutor in the first instance.

Yours sincerely,

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