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Dear Parent,

Autumnal signs are creeping in and there have been some stunning mornings at Ellesmere this week.

There was a lovely Assembly on Monday and we congratulated a number of pupils for recent successes. Well done to Piers Goss who secured a Royal Associated Music School award for drums. Imogen Ward and Imogen Wright-Mountford played exceptionally well in a recent County Cricket tournament and their team was placed second. Imogen Ward also was awarded Best Bowler of the season!

The Under 13A Rugby team were pleased with their 12-5 victory against Idsall School this week as they now progress to the next round in the County Cup Championship.

May I take this opportunity to say many thanks to all parents who donated produce for the Harvest Eucharist this week. Donations will be distributed locally. Also once again, it was lovely to welcome those parents who could come to the coffee morning that followed our service.

The Non uniform day donations from today will go towards assistance for the Macmillan cancer support.

Still on a charity theme there will be a drop in coffee morning in the Lower School hall next week from 8.30 am until 9.15am. The Parents Society would welcome parents to join them for a refreshment in support of the Macmillan 'Biggest Coffee Morning' initiative. We will also hold a cake sale at break time for the children. Any cake or snack donations for that event would be very appreciated on the day.

It is opportune to note that the Parents Society are also hosting a quiz night on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October in the Arts Centre. The tickets may be purchased via <a href="mailto:contactecps@gmail.com">contactecps@gmail.com</a>. The Parent's Society organize many things through the academic year and they are really super social events.

Even though expeditions are some way ahead, next week there will be a Parentmail for Year 7 pupils with further information and a kit list for the forthcoming Kingswood residential trip. Please look out for this. I know that the pupils are looking forward to enjoying the many activities on offer at Kingswood. Full details of all expedition destinations and kit requirements for all year groups will be included in communications over the next couple of weeks.

I have been very pleased with the number of children who are eating well and healthily at lunch times. The Lower School teachers will continue to keep encouraging healthy food choices. Tuck shop is only once per week and we encourage a £1 spending limit. We would also prefer that children did not bring sweets into School as there is a fully stocked fruit box available.

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On Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October there will be Years 3,4,5 parents meeting. The main meeting begins at 6.00pm. However, in addition the KS2 tutors may be available from 3.00-5.30pm for a few bookable slots. Mrs Leonard will organize a booking system for the available slots and hopefully this may ease waiting time for parents who come later. Mrs Leonard can be contacted on 01691 626511 or by e mail, should you wish to see if an earlier time is available.

On an academic note, the first Period Grades will be published next week. These first grades will be one effort grade per subject. This will give a snapshot to parents how these early weeks are progressing. Please feel comfortable making contact with your child's tutor should you have any questions regarding academic matters.

As a reminder, the uniform shop opening times are 12.30pm until 5.30pm on Wednesday and 2.00pm-5.30pm Thursday afternoons. Items can also be ordered directly by e mail on uniform.shop@ellesmere.com

Open Day is fast approaching. As usual, the greatest assets that we possess are the children. I hope that many pupils will be available to help between 1pm-4pm on Saturday 8th October. Some pupils will be playing sport fixtures first and then come along afterwards. Please fill in and return the attached reply slip to help us plan the event by selecting a time slot that suits you.

Ellesmere College is a wonderfully busy place and we try hard to keep communication as full as possible. I apologise if there are areas that slip through that are not as clearly explained as they could be. In the early weeks it is possible that confusion regarding School events can arise. Please do not hesitate contacting Mrs Leonard, the Lower School Secretary, should you have questions or concerns and the White Calendar plus this newsletter are valuable aids in the process too.

The weather looks fine for the weekend, I hope that it continues to allow our sporting events to continue.

Have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely,
Sharan Owen
Please return to Lower School office
Name of pupil
Signed

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## friday 30th September

@ 8.30am

lower School Hall

Tea. Coffee and Partries available

Together we can make sure that no one faces cancer alone!



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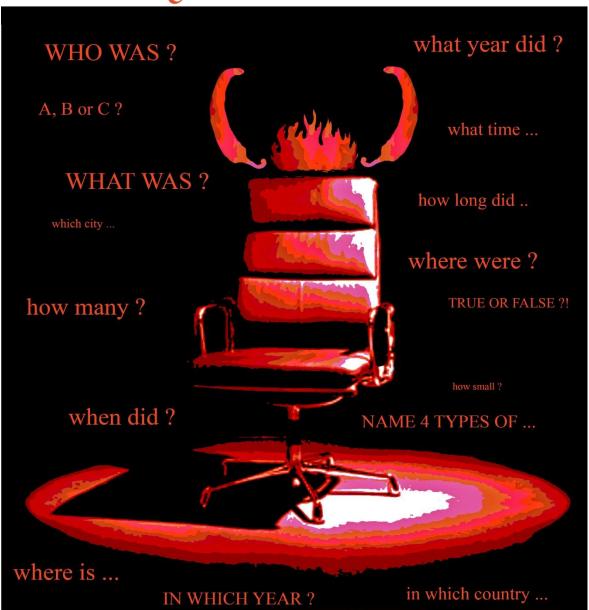
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