# Ellwood School News

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#### Dear Parents/Carers,

We have finally made it to the end of this term. It has felt like a long half-term and some aspects of it have been very tough for both pupils, parents and staff. However, it is half-term next week and we all need to rest and recuperate. Please take this time to have a break from home schooling and spend time with your family. We are so proud of all the children and their families for their resilience and hard work over the last 6 weeks - you have all worked incredibly hard.

The work the children have produced this term has been amazing and we enjoy seeing and celebrating their achievements. We love seeing the different activities they take part in both school tasks and their own hobbies; creative and physical. We certainly have some gifted children at Ellwood, they are all unique and all have their own individual talents.

We are still unsure of the plans for the return to school but we should know more on the 22<sup>nd</sup> February when the PM gives his update. As soon as we have a clear plan, we will let you know of any plans moving forward. Until then, have a great half-term and stay safe.

Kind regards

Mrs Milford

#### Free School Meals

Free School Meal vouchers will be available the first week back after half term. Edenred have closed the ordering system until after half term. We will ensure that the vouchers are ordered as soon as we return after half term.

## **Eco School Competition**

We have extended the deadline for entries for the Eco School Competition to Monday February 22nd. Details of the competition are available on the school website under the Eco School tab and also on Calibrae.

We look forward to seeing all of your wonderful entries.

## View From Your Window - Art Competition Winners

Thank you to everyone who entered the art competition, we had some fantastic entries which made it very difficult to choose the winners. In the end we decided to have joint winners for EYFS/KS1 and KS2.

Well done to the winners and everyone that took part.

## Lacey-May - Joint EYFS/KS1 Winner



Ted B - Joint EYFS/KS1 Winner



Harry B - Joint KS2 Winner



Prizes



Poppy U - Joint KS2 Winner



## Teddies at Ellwood Primary School

This week you had a little gift bag delivered to you. One of the special gifts was a little Ellwood teddy bear which has been kindly funded by donations from some of our parents and local businesses. The teddies enjoyed their time in school but now they want to stay with you at home and keep you company if you are feeling lonely, until you return to school.

Thank you so much!



## Oak Class





Year 2







Year 4







Year 6



#### Goody Bags

We hope that the children enjoyed receiving their goody bag from school, which was a little thank you treat for all their hard work this term. There was also a little treat for parents/carers to thank you for your support. We would like to thank staff for sourcing, packing and delivering the bags. We are very thankful to a group of parents and local businesses for their fundraising efforts and supplying the lovely Ellwood School Teddy Bear, which the children would have also received in the bag with our other gifts. We know the children were very excited about receiving them.

A special thank you to Helen Purvis for organising, fundraising and sourcing these adorable little teddies!

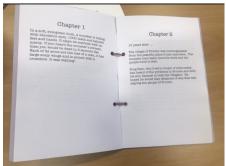
We would like to thank the following parents /families/friends and local businesses for their kind donations towards the cost of the Ellwood Teddies: Helen Purvis, Catriona MacPherson, Adele Henry, Caruana Family, Roberts Family, Donoghue Family, Lloyd Family, Mrs S Bowkett, Leona Bishop (The Cutting Rooms), Craig Nixon (MBSS Ltd), Mrs Nash (Calico Interiors) and Adrian Butler (Light Fantastic).

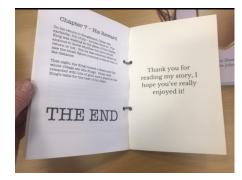


In English, we have been reading Beowulf. After reading the story, the children were challenged to write their own hero myths. Year 4 have worked so hard on their hero myths over the past couple of weeks and they have produced some fantastic work.

Yesterday, the school received a special delivery! Charlie and Oscar have published their stories and wanted to send us a copy. Brilliant work boys and thank you for sending these to us.







Some brilliant topic work by Alfie and Faith!

Alfie has been looking at the Bayeux Tapestry and Faith has been looking at an Anglo-Saxon village!





A photo of Sophie enjoying putting out her bird feeder ready to observe and identify some birds in her garden as part of her science work.



### Year 4 - Internet Safety Posters



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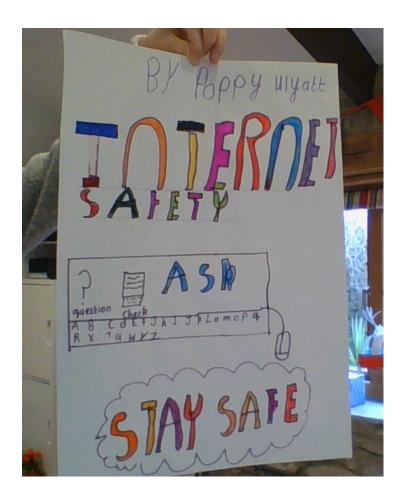
A = Always be kind to other people.

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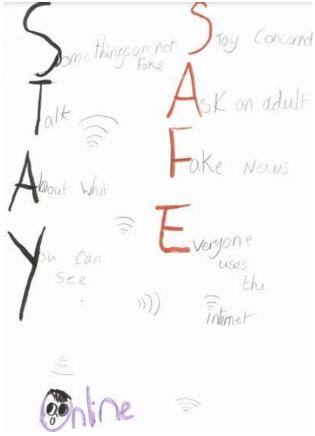
T = Trust your adults if they tell you something is a scam.

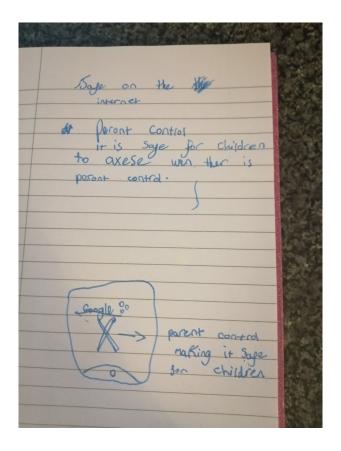
Y = You should always keep your personal information safe and never use your name as a username.



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# Year 5 - Anglo Saxon Work







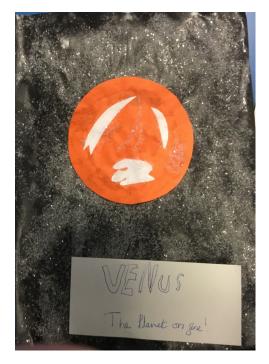


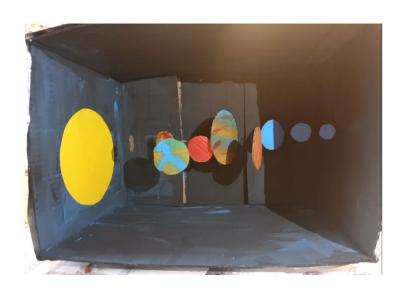




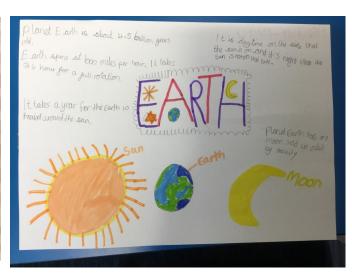


## Year 5 - Solar System Work













## School Garden Update from Mrs Rees







Signs of Spring in the School Garden. Can you name these three plants?



During the Christmas break two of our trees had to be cut down. We turned this sad event into an opportunity by leaving the trunks enabling a Slack Line to be erected and the children's swing retained. The chippings have been used in the Forest School area to help with wear and tear.