Ellwood School News

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All newsletters are also available on our website.



Weekly Attendance

Unfortunately our attendance this week was lower than we would expect. We expect at least 97%. Due to the low attendance and holidays being taken in term time we have been in discussion with the Local Authority and Penalty Notices are being issued to some families.

There is a link between attainment and progress, so the more the children are in school, the more they will succeed.

Oak	96.9%
Chestnut	96.2%
Beech	96.9%
Sycamore	87.1%
Willow	95%

100 Great Reads

To further promote the enjoyment of reading, Class Teachers have invited the children to read a small selection of books from the '100 Great Reads' before Christmas (look out for the record sheet in the yellow reading diaries). If a book is too challenging, please read it to your child - the main aim is for everyone to enjoy the stories and discuss the plot, characters and techniques used by the author to entertain the reader. Have fun together reading - we look forward to hearing about your reading journeys as we progress through the term.

More information may also be found on the school website on the 'English in Action' page.

Mrs Wright English Co-ordinator



Poppy Appeal

To commemorate Remembrance Day we have poppies and other goodies such as Slap bands, bracelets, keyrings, on sale ranging from 50p—£1

If you would like you child to purchase any of these items, please send some money in with your child next week.

Thanks you.



Jumble Sale Saturday 3rd November 10 a.m.—12 p.m.

Please come along to our Jumble Sale this Saturday. You may be able to pick up a few early Christmas presents!

Please come along and have a rummage!



Reading Raffle Winners

This week's Reading Raffle winners were:

Chestnut - Tianna Williams
Beech - Bella Aston
Sycamore - McKenzie Hayward
Willow - Tommy Rowley



Well done!

Achievement Assembly Awards

This week's individual achievement awards were given to the following pupils:

Chestnut Class - Esme Wilkins

Beech Class - Robert Foy and Jamie Chandler

Sycamore Class - Freya Leach and Joshua Powles

Willow Class - Connor Edwards, Louis Hancock and Oscar Evans



Well done!

Weekly Writing Awards

This week's weekly writing awards were given to the following pupils:

Chestnut Class - Ashton Cole Beech Class - Oscar Johnson Sycamore Class - April Donoghue Willow Class - Kiyan Aston



Well done!



Bonfire Night Menu Monday 5th November



To celebrate Bonfire Night, Caterlink have a special Bonfire Menu.

Boom Burger and Jumping Jack Wedges

or

Sizzling Quorn Chilli and Raging Rice

Both served with Bonfire Beans and Banging Broccoli

And

Catherine Wheel Cookie





War Horse Trip - Y5 and Y6

On Wednesday 31st October, children in Year 5 and Year 6 went up to the Birmingham Hippodrome to watch the stage production of 'War Horse.' The children thoroughly enjoyed the performance and the theatre staff commented on their wonderful behaviour. We are so proud of the children. Please see Willow Class pages on the school website for more information.

November 5th - Fire Talk

We would like to thank Mrs Lloyd for coming into school on Thursday afternoon to give a talk in assembly about remaining safe on Bonfire Night. The children found the talk really informative and hopefully this will help them remain safe on Bonfire Night.

Parents Evening

Please remember to log onto eSchools and book a parents evening time slot to see your child's teacher.

Oak and Sycamore - 6th and 8th November 3.30 - 5.30 p.m.

Chestnut (Y1 only) - Mrs Rice - Tuesday 6th November 3.30 - 6 p.m.

Chestnut (Y2 only) - Miss Abbott - 6th and 8th November 3.30 - 5.30

Beech (Y2 only) - Miss Abbott - 6th and 8th November 3.30 - 5.30

Beech (Y3 only) - Mrs Wright - 6th and 8th November 3.30 - 5.30

Willow - Mrs Marshall - 6th November 3.30 - 5.30

Willow - Mrs Woodhouse - 8th November 3.30 - 5.30

(Please note that you only need to see Mrs Marshall or Mrs Woodhouse and not both.)

Please note that if your child has a MyPlan, MyPLan+ or EHCP, a separate letter will be sent home inviting you to a Shared Conversation and a Parents Evening slot will not be needed.

Thank you.

School Photographs

Just to let you know that school photographs will take place on Tuesday 13th November. These will be individual and family group photographs.

Thank you.



Spelling Challenge

Each term we hold a Whole School Spelling Challenge. Each child has been sent home a sheet of spellings, please take a few minutes to help your child learn them in preparation for the spelling challenge. Please note these are the words they should know by the end of the year, not specific to children.

The Spelling Challenge will take place on Friday 14th December.

Spelling

Thank you!

Diary Dates

November 2018

Sat 3rd Nov - Jumble Sale (10 a.m.—12 p.m.)

Wed 7th Nov - Rags2Riches Collection

Thurs 8th Nov - Cinema Trip (R, Y1, Y2)

Fri 9th Nov - Remembrance Service

Tues 13th Nov - School Photographs

Swimming (Y5/6)

Fri 16th Nov - Children in Need

Fri 23rd Nov - Skillzone and Glos Police HQ (Y5/6)

Mon 26th Nov - Jolly Jar Week (more details to follow)

Tue 27th Nov - Author Visit (Y3-Y6)

(More details to follow)

December 2018

Sat 1st Dec - Christmas Fayre 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Tues 4th Dec - Flu Vaccination (R, Y1/2/3/4/5)

Tues 11th Dec - Christmas Play (Day and Evening performances)

Swimming (Y5/6)

Tues 18th Dec - Christmas Lunch

Thurs 20th Dec - Whole School Pantomime Trip