

Ellwood Community Primary School

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March 25th 2022



Easter raffle

We will be selling raffle tickets for the Easter raffle from Monday 28th March, £1 per ticket. We have some lovely prizes to be won.

Please send money into school in a named envelope with your child.

Thank you!



Raising Money for the Ukraine

The School Council are going to be holding some fun games such as: guess how many sweets in the jar and guess the name of the teddy. Along with cones of sweets that the School Council have made to sell.

All money raised will then be sent to a Ukraine charity directly linked to children.

Games and sweet sale will take place after school starting Wednesday 30th March.

Games cost 50p and sweet cones cost £1

Please come along and support.

Thank you.



COVID Update

We currently have 5 members of staff and 15 children throughout the school off with positive COVID-19 results.

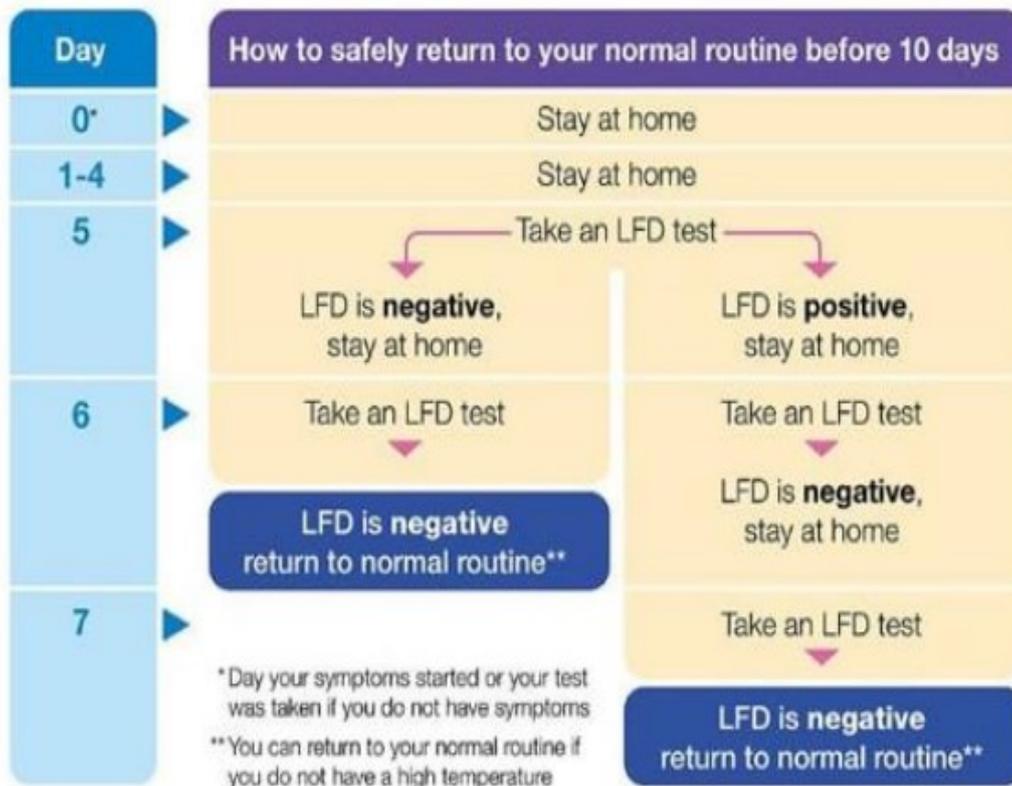
Whilst we are experiencing an increased number of cases, please could we ask that parents/carers distance themselves from staff and other parents/carers at drop off/pick up times and if possible only one family member drop off/pick up, therefore, hopefully reducing the spread of the virus.

If your child is showing symptoms the advice is to still obtain a PCR test. If your child has a positive LFD test, they must isolate for a minimum of 5 days. Children can test on day 5 and 6 and if their test is negative on both days, they may return to school. If they are still testing positive you can continue to test your child daily until they have had 2 consecutive negative tests or have isolated for 10 days. (Please see flowchart).

We want to keep school running as smoothly as possible and avoid any class closures.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

How to safely return to your normal routine before 10 days



No clubs last week of term

A reminder that all clubs finish Friday 1st April. There will be no clubs in the last week of term.

Thank you.

Young Voices

Thank you to Mrs Howell for giving up her time to run the Young Voices club. It's not long now until the concert on 29th April. The children are doing a fantastic job rehearsing their songs and can't wait to go!

What a great experience for the children and a fantastic opportunity for the school!

World Poetry Day

On Monday 21st March, we celebrated World Poetry Day. The children all wrote poems or performed poetry recital, which were all fantastic. Each teacher chose a poem which they enjoyed the most. The winner in EYFS was Myles, KS1 was James (y2) and KS2 was Rory (y4). The children thoroughly enjoyed the day.

This Spring (Easter) holiday, Gloucestershire County Council is providing vouchers to parents who have signed up to our Holiday Free School Meals (FSM) scheme. These vouchers are provided by Gloucestershire County Council as part of its commitment to 'no child goes hungry'. The vouchers are funded through COVID-19 grant funding we have received and is separate to that of the term time free school meals. The link is below:

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/schoolsnet/noticeboard/schoolsnet-bulletin-board/free-school-meal-support-during-the-spring-holiday-from-gloucestershire-county-council/>

Year 1 Parents/Carers

We would be grateful if the parents/carers of children currently in year 1 could attend an informal information session about the 'Year 1 Phonics Screening Check' due to take place in June 2022.

We will be sharing **important** information with you about the phonics screening check and practical ways in which you can **support** your child at home to **pass** the check.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Miss Peart [Phonics Lead] & Miss Hek [Class Teacher]

Date: Tuesday 5th April
Time: 3:30pm-4:00pm

Seed Swap

Seed swap after school on Tuesday 5th April next to the garden . Give your unwanted seeds to Mrs Rees or bring in on the day. Take any seeds you might like to grow (even if you don't have anything to swap). The important bit is that we just get growing!



Diary Dates

(Oak class—please see information from Miss Peart)

MARCH

Monday 28th March - Easter Raffle Tickets go on sale
(£1 per ticket — please send in named envelope)
- String Quartet Performance (KS1 and KS2)

Tuesday 29th March - Gymnastics - Oak

Thursday 31st March - Gymnastics - Beech

APRIL

Monday 4th April - Dance - Chestnut

Tuesday 5th April - Swimming Y 3/4
- Gymnastics - Oak
- Y1 Phonics Screening Meeting (3.30 p.m. - 4.00p.m.)
- Seed Swap — after school

Wednesday 6th April - Clarinet Y4
- Bike lessons - Beech
- Yoga - Willow & Oak

Thursday 7th April - Gymnastics—Beech

Friday 8th April - **Last day of Spring term**

Monday 25th April - Start of Summer Term