

Ellwood Community Primary School

BELIEVE, ACHIEVE, BELONG

February 11th 2022



Parents' Evenings

Reminder

Parents' Evenings will be taking place face-to-face this term on Tuesday 15th February and Wednesday 16th February. Please remember to follow social distancing guidance and wear a face mask whilst in the school building.

Please see information below, regarding booking appointments.

Bookings should be made on eSchools. The booking system will open at 4pm on Tuesday 1st February and will close on Monday 14th February at 12 p.m.

Reception (Miss Peart)	Tues 15 th Feb and Weds 16 th Feb 3.30 – 6.00p.m. (Enter and exit via Oak outdoor classroom door)
Year 1 (Miss Hek)	Tues 15 th Feb and Weds 16 th Feb 3.30 – 6.00p.m. (Enter and exit via Chestnut playground door)
Year 2 (Miss Chisman)	Tues 15 th Feb and Weds 16 th Feb 3.30 – 6.00p.m. (Enter and exit via hub door – front of school, up slope)
Year 3 (Mrs Aston)	Tues 15 th Feb and Weds 16 th Feb 3.30 – 6.00p.m. (Enter and exit via hub door – front of school, up slope)
Year 4 (Mrs Howell)	Tues 15 th Feb and Weds 16 th Feb 3.30 – 6.00p.m. (Enter and exit via hub door – front of school, up slope)
Year 5 & Year 6 (Mrs Woodhouse)	Tues 15 th Feb and Weds 16 th Feb 12.30 – 5.00p.m. (If your appointment is before 3:15 please enter via main office, if your appointment is after 3:15 please enter via Willow class back door on the playground)

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.

Children's Mental Health Week

This year's theme is 'Growing Together'.

Growing Together is about growing emotionally and finding ways to help each other grow. Challenges and setbacks can help us to grow and adapt and trying new things can help us to move beyond our comfort zone into a new realm of possibility and potential.



Have a look at some of the fun activities we've taken part in this week...



Dress to Express!

Everyone looked fantastic on Monday. It was great to see how everyone chose to express themselves.



Growing

We planted some cress seeds and talked about how we can't always see the growth immediately...but that doesn't mean things aren't growing and changing. Sometimes growth can be slow.



Setting goals and celebrating growth

Chestnut created some stars with goals they want to achieve and butterflies showing things they have learnt so far.



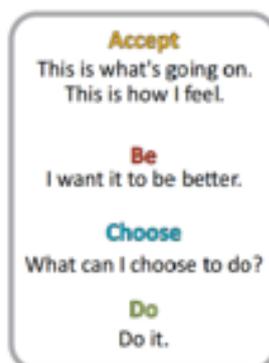
Cricket

We had a brilliant time taking part in the Chance to Shine cricket roadshow. Keeping active is a super way to support your wellbeing.



Viney Hill

Years 2 and 3 had a fantastic time on their well-being trip. They played team-building games, connected with nature, were pushed out of their comfort zones, developed their resilience, explored ways to support their 'stress-buckets' and were VERY active!



Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of our whole school, well-being approach we are using Trick Box, which is a fun and effective personal development programme, to help children from Reception to Year 6 to;

- Build confidence
- Manage emotions and anxiety
- Develop communication skills
- Make positive choices about actions
- Coach themselves through challenges |



From Reception to Year 6 your child will be introduced to 24 'tricks' and a simple self-coaching model called Letter Box, designed to give them positive habits for life.

We'll be practising the tricks at school and it would be great if you could also practise these tricks at home with your child.

If you have any questions about this exciting new journey, please contact the school office and Miss Chisman will get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support

Miss Chisman (PSHE Lead)

Express Yourself

Oak Class



Cricket - Oak Class

This week we had the Chance to Shine Cricket Roadshow in school. The children learnt and practiced lots of new skills including; throwing and catching, running and batting.



Tag Rugby Festival - Thursday 10th February 2022

On Thursday, 20 Year 5 and 6 children took part in the Gloucester Tag Rugby Festival at Berry Hill Rugby Club. The festival consisted of 20 minute matches against schools in Gloucestershire. The aim of the festival was to increase enjoyment and engagement in the game.

The matches gave the children a great opportunity to practise the skills they have been learning in Tag Rugby sessions at school. Over the course of the day, the children also practised working together as a team and being good sportsmen. All of the children got involved and had a brilliant day!

Well done to the all of the children who took part!

A special mention to Leo in Year 6 for super sportsmanship and for an amazing act of kindness towards a pupil from another school.



Tag Rugby Festival cont...





Half-term Family Fun - build your own **rocket car** and race it up to 50mph!



Design and build your own hi-speed rocket car and race it at up to 50mph. Learn about Bloodhound LSR and explore sustainable technology suitable for a future land speed record car. A truly inspiring and hands-on event. A great way to expand your knowledge whilst having fun and a brilliant way to entertain children and adults.

When: **Monday 21st February 2022** **1.00 pm – 3.30pm**
Wednesday 23rd February 2022 **1.00 pm – 3.30pm**

Who: Children age 6+ accompanied by an adult and family groups.

Where: **Bloodhound Education Centre** at Gloucestershire Science & Technology Park,
Berkeley Green, GL13 9FB

Cost: £15 per adult, £10 per child including all materials and a souvenir of the day.
Family Tickets: £35 per family up to 3 children. Under 5's free.

To book a place please visit our website: www.bloodhoundeducation.com
Contact for more information: accounts@bloodhoundeducation.com

Diary Dates

FEBRUARY

- Tuesday 15th February - Dean Heritage Centre Visit (Chestnut & Beech)
School Uniform /sensible shoes & packed lunch
- Skillzone Trip (Willow Class)
School Uniform and packed lunch
- Swimming (Y4)
- Wednesday 16th February - Skillzone Trip (Sycamore Class)
School Uniform and packed lunch
- Friday 18th February - Dean Academy (Willow) - no PE Kit required
- Break up for Half Term 3.15 p.m. finish**
- Monday 28th February - **First day back**

MARCH

- Tuesday 1st March - Gymnastics - Oak class
- Wednesday 2nd March - Clarinet - Year 4
- Thursday 3rd March - Gymnastics - Beech class
- Tuesday 8th March - Swimming - Years 3 & 4
- Gymnastics - Oak class
- Wednesday 9th March - Clarinet - Year 4
- Thursday 10th March - Gymnastics - Beech class