# Ellwood School News

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on our website.



# Ofsted Report

We are delighted to read such positive things about our school and very happy with the conclusions that the inspector came to after spending two days at Ellwood School.

We are extremely proud to announce that we were judged to be **good** in all areas. This is a fantastic achievement for our whole community school.

The inspector highlighted Ellwood's nurturing culture and commented on the positive relationships which exist between staff and pupils and how we promote pupils' well-being and personal development. The inspector immediately noticed that children are making strong progress because our teachers and teaching assistants are skilled an know the children well and can plan exiting lessons. All staff have high expectations for all our pupils and strong leadership was also recognised. We were very pleased that he also recognised how safe and secure our pupils feel and how much they enjoy school.

I am pleased we are doing everything to support your children and this has been recognised in such a positive report. We are already addressing some of the areas that we need to improve further. I am thrilled to lead such an effective team where all members go above and beyond on a daily basis.

I would like to thank all the pupils, staff, governors, community members and parents/carers who support our work.

Kind regards

Mrs D Milford Headteacher

# Thank you!

We would like to thank all of those who kindly donated money towards the Air Ambulance at the Ellwood Garden Party. We managed to raise over £60 which is fantastic!



#### **Kwik Cricket**

Mr Phelps took a group of children to the District Kwik Cricket tournament at Newent Cricket Club today. We are delighted to let you know that they won all three of their matches, against Soudley, Ann Cam and Tutshill C of E schools. This means they are through to the county finals next week.

What a great result - well done team!

## Weekly Attendance

Well done to Sycamore Class for having the highest attendance this week.

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

Thank you for your support.

Oak	96.7%
Chestnut	98.8%
Beech	98.7%
Sycamore	99.1%
Willow	98.6%

## Reading Raffle Winners

This week's Reading Raffle winners were:



Oak - Jasper Jay Chestnut - Niall Edey Beech - Isabelle Stockwell Sycamore - Kiyan Owen Willow - Emily Morgan

Well done!

# Achievement Assembly Awards

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

Oak Class - Isabella Pegler and Dexter Butler Chestnut Class - Josh Pegler and Poppy Ulyatt Beech Class - Riley Gane and Taran Roberts Sycamore Class - Lola Aston and Joshua Lambert Willow Class - Freddie Bishop and Bella Dunn



Well done!

# Weekly Writing Awards

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

Oak Class - Isabelle Roberts
Chestnut Class - Tianna Williams
Beech Class - Isabelle Stockwell
Sycamore Class - Astrid Elsmore
Willow Class - Poppy Gomery



Well done!
We are proud of your writing achievements!

# Forest of Dean Rotary Club Autumn Half Marathon/Fun Run

If you are interested in taking part in the Rotary Club Autumn half marathon/fun run, registration is now open.

For more information please visit their website:

www.forestofdean-halfmarathon.co.uk

Thank you.

## Oak Class Assembly

Oak Class will be holding their Class assembly on Friday 6th July at 2.45 p.m. where they will be retelling the 'Enormous Turnip'.

We would like to invite the parents/carers of Oak Class children to come along.

## Summer Spelling Challenge

All children have been sent home with their spellings for this term, so please practise these words with your child. The spelling challenge will take place on Friday 20th July.



#### Mitcheldean Festival 2018

Mitcheldean Festival is now in its fifth year, offering a range of family fun and entertainment that is free for all to attend and join in!

## Friday 20th July

- Acoustic concert in the parish church
- Acoustic session in the Brewery Tap eith beer festival

# Saturday 21st July

- Fete on playing field 11 a.m.—4 p.m.
- Brewery Tap open from 11 a.m. with open mic later
- Busking & Morris dancing in the village
- Poetry and storytelling in library 1—5 p.m.
- Concert in Parish church 3 a.m.—9 p.m.
- Family ceilidh in the community centre 5 p.m.—7 p.m.
- Late night ceilidh in the community centre from 7.30 p.m.
- Live band in the White Horse, singing in the Brewery Tap.

# Sunday 22nd July

- Folk walk 12noon—6 p.m.
- Afternoon open mic in the White Horse
- Beer festival in Brewery Tap 4 p.m.—9 p.m.

For further information please visit their website: http://www.mitcheldeanfestival.fod.uk/

# Sports Day

Sports Day will take place on Tuesday 3rd July 1.30 p.m. - 3.15 p.m.

We will be holding a range of different sporting activities with running races starting at 2.30 p.m.

All parents/carers are welcome to come along.



## Mrs Breakwell

Mrs Breakwell will be leaving us today to start her maternity leave. We would all like to wish her good luck for the safe arrival of her baby and look forward to meeting the little one.



#### Friends

Join us for our end of term celebration and mini summer fete, as we say our goodbyes to the year 6 pupils! BBQ, raffle, photo booth, games and more.

Friday 20th July, 4.30 p.m. - 7.30 p.m.



All welcome.



More info coming soon!!

## The Voice Kids

The Voice Kids are looking for talented singers and duos aged 7-14 to take part in the 2019 series of the Voice Kids.

If you think your child would be interested in applying please visit their website for more information.

http://www.itv.com/thevoicekidsuk/apply



## Mini Brass Concert

There will be a mini Brass Concert demonstrating what the children have learnt this term during their Brass lessons. The concert will take place on Monday 16th July at 2.30 p.m.

All parents/carers of year 4 children are welcome to come along.

# Bounce for Books

We are delighted to hear that one of our pupils has already raised £16 for our sponsored bounce, so we can buy some more books.

Please remember to collect and bring in the completed sponsor form and money, into school by Wednesday 11th July.

We really appreciate your support.

# Love Your Forest

Glen Redwood from 'Love your Forest' came into school this week and spent the morning helping the children create some wonderful art work using recycled materials. The children all had a great time and really enjoyed themselves.





# **Diary Dates**

# July 2018

Mon 2nd Jul - Viney Hill Trip (Year 4)

Tue 3rd Jul - Sports Day

Fri 6th Jul - Oak Class Assembly 2.45 p.m.

Mon 9th Jul - Transition Days to new Classes

Tues 10th Jul - Transition Day to new Classes

Wed 11th Jul - Innovation Day (Y3/Y4) - Coleford Library -

letter to follow

Swimming Gala - 1.30—3.30 p.m. -

more information to follow

Fri 13th Jul - Bounce for Books - whole school event

Fri 13th Jul - School Production (Sycamore & Willow)

Broadwell Memorial Hall 3.30 pm & 6 pm

Mon 16th Jul - Mini Brass Concert Year 4 - 2.30 p.m.

Tues 17th Jul - Transition Day to new Classes

Wed 18th Jul - Parents Evening Drop in 3.30 p.m.

Fri 20th Jul - Summer Whole School Spelling Challenge

End of Term BBQ 4.30 - 7.30 p.m.

Mon 23rd Jul - Cattle Country Trip (Reception Class)

Wed 25th Jul - End of Term 2 p.m. finish