

# Ellwood Community Primary School

*Believe, Achieve, Belong*

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**Our value this term is: Responsibility**

**October 27th 2023**

## **Weekly Attendance**

Our aim is to have our weekly attendance above **97%** in line with the Local Authority's expectation.

This week, our **whole school attendance was 95.5%**

Well done to **Sycamore class** for getting the highest attendance this week!

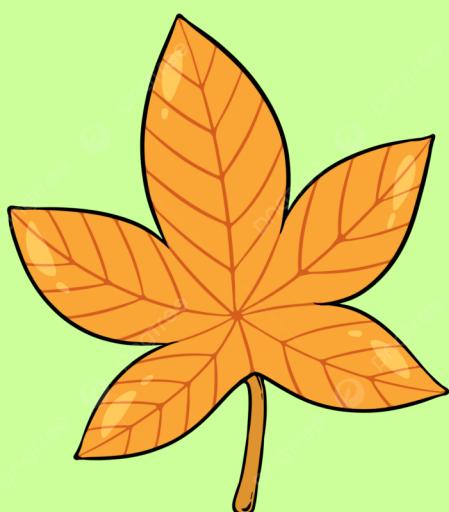
Please remember to report a child's absence before 9.30am ideally before the start of school by either phoning the school on 01594 833232 or emailing

admin@ellwood.gloucs.sch.uk

Thank you.

Oak	98.1%
Chestnut	93.5%
Beech	93.1%
Sycamore	99.1%
Willow	94.4%

## **Have a lovely October Half Term!**



## A message from Mrs Milford

What a fantastic busy half term we have had. The weeks have flown by but the children are ready for a relaxing break now. They have become a little tired over the last week or so, but they have achieved so much this term already.

They have settled well in to their new classes and are now used to mixing with new children. All of the children have had some wonderful learning experiences and have relished these new opportunities. New pupils and staff have settled well in to Ellwood School life and are already valued members of our school community.

We have had a number of external professionals visit the school this term, looking at certain aspects such as; behaviour and attitudes of pupils, early reading, phonics, history and maths. These visits were very successful and when we have the final report back, we will share some of the findings. Overall, the feedback was very positive and pupils, staff and leadership was said to be strong. There are always areas to improve further and we all strive to be the best we can be. For a small school, with limited staff, we try hard to ensure the children have a good education, are well supported, feel happy and safe and have extra opportunities to develop their personal and wider development.

Thank you to all parents for supporting your child with their behaviour, academic work and for supporting the school.

We look forward to another busy term leading up to Christmas. Have a good half term!

Mrs Milford

## **Autumn Term 2**

Please send your child into school wearing the appropriate clothing for either PE or Forest Adventures.



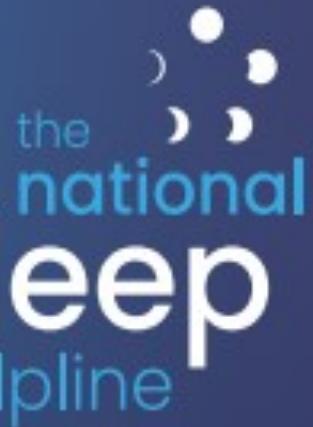
Monday				
Tuesday	Year 5/6 Swimming <small>7<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup></small>		Chestnut PE Kit	Beech PE Kit
Wednesday	Sycamore PE Kit		Willow PE Kit	Beech PE Kit
Thursday	Oak PE Kit	Year 3 Gymnastics starting 9th November (for three weeks) Then Year 6 Starting 30 <sup>th</sup> November (for three weeks)	Willow Forest Adventures	Chestnut PE Kit
Friday	Oak class: Forest Adventures		Sycamore PE Kit	
Oak	Chestnut	Beech	Sycamore	Willow

\*If your child is swimming or doing 'Forest Adventures' please note this is counted as a PE session.

## Design and Technology

Beech class have had fun creating some Pneumatic toys in D&T this week, they look fantastic, well done Beech!





# Does your child suffer with sleep issues?

Do you struggle  
with your child's  
bedtime?

Will your child  
not sleep in  
their own bed?

WE CAN HELP

**03303 530 541**

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm  
Monday & Wednesday 9am - 11am

#StayWellGlos

# STAY WELL this Winter

## Get your COVID vaccine

If you're over 65, under 65 with a chronic condition, pregnant, or a main carer for an older or disabled person, find out how to access your COVID vaccine in the Forest of Dean.



NHS

Flu vaccines are being offered at your GP surgery, you should receive an invite soon if you haven't already.

If you're registered with one of these practices then visit one of our drop-in clinics from 9am-12.30pm and 1.15pm-5pm:

Blakeney Surgery	Drop in to Lydney Fire Station	Sunday 29 October Saturday 4 November
Brunston and Lydbrook	You will be invited to book an appointment at your GP surgery. Please don't call at this time.	
Coleford Family Doctors	Drop-in to the former Cinderford Health Centre, Dockham Road	Saturday 28 October Saturday 4 November
Dockham Surgery	Drop-in to the former Cinderford Health Centre, Dockham Road	Sunday 29 October Saturday 4 November
Drybrook Surgery	You will be invited to book an appointment at your GP surgery. Please don't call at this time.	
Forest Health Care	You will be invited to book an appointment at your GP surgery. Please don't call at this time.	
Lydney Practice	Drop-in to Lydney Fire Station	Saturday 28 October Sunday 29 October Saturday 4 November
Mitcheldean Surgery	You will be invited to book an appointment at your GP surgery. Please don't call at this time.	
Severnbank Surgery	Drop-in to Lydney Fire Station	Saturday 28 October Saturday 4 November
Yorkley and Bream Surgery	You will be invited to book an appointment at your GP surgery. Please don't call at this time.	

### Accessing the Lydney Community Fire Station

Lydney Community Fire Station  
2 Hill Street, Lydney, GL15 5HE

The Fire Station is accessible for wheelchair users.

Parking - Please do not attempt to park at the Fire Station itself. Parking is available close by at the Library or at Swan Road.

### Accessing the Former Health Centre at Dockham Road, Cinderford

Former Health Centre, Dockham Road, Cinderford, GL14 2AN

The Centre is accessible for wheelchair users.

Parking - Parking is available at the Tesco Superstore adjacent to the Former Health Centre site.

If you can't make one of the drop-in dates, you may also be able to book an appointment at a participating pharmacy via the National Booking System ([nhs.uk/covidvaccination](https://nhs.uk/covidvaccination) or phone number 119).

Find out more about the COVID Vaccination Programme in Gloucestershire:  
[nhsglos.nhs.uk/vaccinations](http://nhsglos.nhs.uk/vaccinations)

## WEEK ONE

**6 November**  
**18 December**  
**22 January**  
**19 February**  
**11 March**

## MONDAY

Option One	Macaroni Cheese
Option Two	Vegetable Pasta Bake
Option Three	Jacket Potato with Cheese
Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables

Option One	BBQ Chicken with Rice
Option Two	BBQ Quorn with Rice
Option Three	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans
Dessert	Orange Drizzle Cake

Option One	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy
Option Two	Vegetable Roast with Roast Potatoes & Gravy
Option Three	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise
Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables

Option One	Spaghetti Bolognese with Homemade Garlic Bread
Option Two	Vegan Sausages with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
Option Three	Tomato Arrabiata Pasta
Vegetables	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Baked Beans

Option One	Fish Fingers with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
Option Two	Vegan Sausages with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
Option Three	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Baked Beans
Dessert	Peas & Baked Beans

Option One	Chocolate Shortbread
Option Two	Seasonal Vegetables
Option Three	Seasonal Vegetables
Dessert	Seasonal Vegetables

Option One	Seasonal Vegetables
Option Two	Strawberry Jelly with Mandarins
Option Three	Strawberry Jelly with Mandarins
Dessert	Vanilla Cake

Option One	Seasonal Vegetables
Option Two	Greek Chicken Pitta with Cucumber Dip & Potato Wedges
Option Three	Greek Chicken Pitta with Cucumber Dip & Potato Wedges
Dessert	Greek Salad

Option One	Seasonal Vegetables
Option Two	Vegan Burger with Potato Wedges
Option Three	Vegan Burger with Potato Wedges
Dessert	Vanilla Cake

Option One	Cinnamon Cookie
Option Two	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Baked Beans
Option Three	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Baked Beans
Dessert	Cinnamon Cookie

Option One	Seasonal Vegetables
Option Two	Seasonal Vegetables
Option Three	Seasonal Vegetables
Dessert	Seasonal Vegetables

Option One	Seasonal Vegetables
Option Two	Strawberry Jelly
Option Three	Strawberry Jelly
Dessert	Vanilla Cake

Option One	Seasonal Vegetables
Option Two	Apple Crumble & Custard
Option Three	Apple Crumble & Custard
Dessert	Fruity Shortbread

Option One	Seasonal Vegetables
Option Two	Cottage Pie
Option Three	Cottage Pie
Dessert	Cottage Pie

Option One	Seasonal Vegetables
Option Two	Shepherdess Pie
Option Three	Shepherdess Pie
Dessert	Shepherdess Pie

Option One	Seasonal Vegetables
Option Two	Jacket Potato with Cheese
Option Three	Jacket Potato with Cheese
Dessert	Jacket Potato with Cheese

Option One	Seasonal Vegetables
Option Two	Strawberry Jelly
Option Three	Strawberry Jelly
Dessert	Vanilla Cake

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Option Two	Apple Crumble & Custard
Option Three	Apple Crumble & Custard
Dessert	Apple Crumble & Custard

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Dessert	Cottage Pie

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Dessert	Shepherdess Pie

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Option Three	Jacket Potato with Cheese
Dessert	Jacket Potato with Cheese

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Option Two	Strawberry Jelly
Option Three	Strawberry Jelly
Dessert	Vanilla Cake

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Option Two	Apple Crumble & Custard
Option Three	Apple Crumble & Custard
Dessert	Apple Crumble & Custard

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Dessert	Vanilla Cake

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Dessert	Apple Crumble & Custard

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Dessert	Jacket Potato with Cheese

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Dessert	Apple Crumble & Custard

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Dessert	Jacket Potato with Cheese

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Dessert	Vanilla Cake

## Clubs-Autumn Term 2

Please see below the selection of clubs on offer next half term. These will be offered on a first come first serve basis. Due to ratio limits, we cannot go over the maximum number of children allowed in each club. Thank you to staff for offering to run the before/after school clubs.

All clubs will run for the dates listed below, unless otherwise stated.

Club dates: **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

Club	Day / Time	Year Group/Class	Staff Member
Feel Good Friday	Fridays (Breakfast club) 8:00am-8:35am	Years 1 – 6 (Max 20)	Mrs Charles
Lego Club	Wednesday lunchtimes	Years 3 and 4 (Max 10)	Mrs Charles
Lego Club	Mondays 3:20-4:20pm	Years 1 and 2 (Max 15)	Mrs King
<b>Phonics/Reading</b>	<b>Mon – Thurs 8:20am-8:45am (Invite only)</b>	<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Miss Hek</b>
<b>Knex</b>	Mondays 3:20-4:20pm	Years 3 – 6 (Max20)	Miss Hayward
Multi-sports with Cam	Tuesdays 3:20 – 4:20pm	Years 1 and 2 (Max 15)	Cam
<b>Boardgames</b>	Mondays 3:20 – 4:20pm	Years 3 – 6 (Max 15)	Mrs Sheppard
<b>Trick box mentors/Badge club</b>	<b>Lunchtimes (Invite only)</b>	<b>Trick box mentors</b>	<b>Miss Chisman</b>
Football with Cam	Thursdays 3:20– 4:20pm	Years 5 and 6 (Max 15)	Cam

## Carols at the Community Café—Sling Club

Wednesday 13th December 2023 10am - 12pm

Refreshments and mince pies available.

They will be joined by Clements End Chapel for a morning of Carols.

The Smuggle Faries will also be at the Café with their wide selection of beautiful hand-made crafts and gifts,

## Diary Dates

### OCTOBER

- Fri 27th Oct      - Harvest Assemblies - Parents invited  
Years R, 1, 2 & 3 - 2:15pm—2:45pm  
Years 4, 5 & 6 - 2:50pm—3:20pm  
Dress as a farmer for children

### HALF TERM

- Tues 7th Nov      - Swimming years 5/6
- Thurs 9th Nov      - Gymnastics year 3
- Mon 13th Nov      - Odd socks day to kick start anti-bullying week
- Thurs 16th Nov      - Read and rave  
EYFS, Y1 & Y2 5pm - 6pm  
Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 6:15pm - 7:15pm  
- Gymnastics year 3
- Friday 17th Nov      - Children in need - non uniform day  
- Please bring in cakes for our cake sale  
- Cake Sale - After school

We would like to share with you that the KS1 nativity will take place on Thursday 14th December at Whitemead. More information to follow next half term.