

Ellwood Community Primary School



Bulletin - March 19th 2021

Easter Chocolate Raffle Donations

Many thanks for all of the wonderful donations of chocolate for our Easter Chocolate Raffle. We have been overwhelmed by your generosity.

Mrs Genner-Morris had been busy assembling all of the amazing chocolate donations and as you can see below we have 40 prizes to be won in total!

Squares will go on sale on Monday 22nd March, with each square costing £1. You may buy as many squares as you like. Please send money into school in a clearly labelled envelope. The raffle will take place on Wednesday 31st March.



Comic Relief - Red Nose Day

Friday 19th March

Thank you so much for supporting this wonderful cause and for your kind donations.

We raised £149.58

Thank You!

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Willow Class

Willow Class took part in a Viking Workshop provided by Jorvik Centre in York .

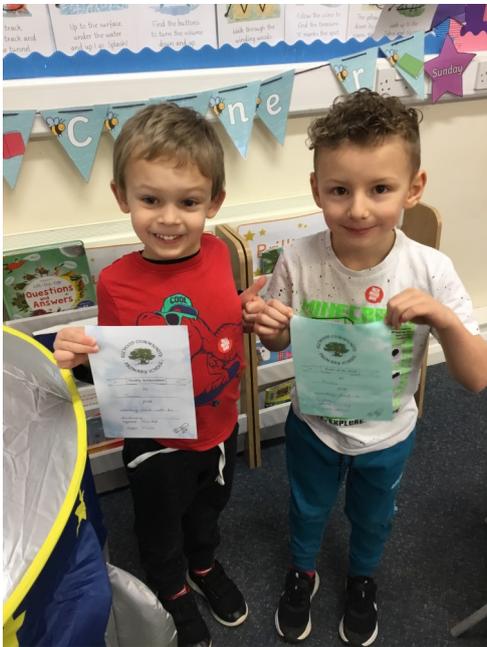
The children learnt about raiding and trading Viking Life in times of war and peace. Our Viking host told stories of gruesome battles, clever crafting and the gods and monsters of Norse mythology. The children saw replicas of artefacts up close and were able to ask lots of questions about Viking life.



Oak Class—Reading Certificates



Chestnut—Certificate Winners



Meal Price Increase

Unfortunately, we have been notified by Gloucestershire County Council that the cost of a school meal will increase to £2.34 from Monday 19th April.

Thank you.

Internet Safety

Can we please remind parents/carers to be mindful of what your children are watching/accessing through either online gaming or TV programmes. We have been made aware that some children have been watching material that not age appropriate and not suitable for younger children.

For further information for parents about internet safety, please visit :
www.thinkuknow.co.uk

Thank you.

After School Clubs - after half term

After half term we will be running a Cricket Club and Tag Rugby club after school. The clubs will take place 3.15 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.

Cricket - Tuesday (Year 5 for 6 weeks)

Tag Rugby - Wednesday (Willow—for 6 weeks)

More information will follow shortly.

Thank you.

Prostars Easter Holiday Football Camp

Prostars will be running an Easter Holiday Camp on Wednesday 7th April and Thursday 8th April 10 a.m.—1 p.m at the venues stated below.

Activities will focus on fun games, activities and matches suitable for girls and boys aged 4 -12 of all abilities.

The camp will be run by experienced coaches who are DBS checked, fully insured, first aid and safeguard trained.

For further information and booking, please visit:

<https://prostars.class4kids.co.uk/camps>

Or contact Josh on 07515508643 / jcarter.fse@gmail.com



**EASTER HOLIDAY
FOOTBALL CAMPS**

Wednesday 7th
Thursday 8th April
10am - 1pm

MARCH PRICE
£10
APRIL PRICE
£12.50

**Fun games, activities
and matches, suitable
for all abilities.**

**Delivered by
experienced staff who
are DBS checked, first
aid & safeguard
trained.**

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- Milkwall FC, Coleford
**- Hillview Primary School,
Gloucester**

- The Dean Academy, Lydney
- Mitcheldean Primary School
- Gorsley Goffs Primary School

Mental health and wellbeing

Some children and young people may be experiencing feelings of anxiety, stress or low mood as a result of the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

Schools and colleges will continue to offer pastoral support to any pupils who need to work remotely.

Support for children and parents

Online resources to help you support your child with mental health and wellbeing, including:

[MindEd](#) - a free educational resource on children and young people's mental health

[Every Mind Matters](#) - an online tool and email journey to support everyone in taking action to look after their mental health and wellbeing

[Bereavement UK](#) and the [Childhood Bereavement Network](#) - information and resources to support bereaved pupils, schools and staff

PHE's [advice and guidance for parents and professionals on supporting children and young people's mental health and wellbeing](#) includes key actions you can take to support your child. It also emphasises the importance of children continuing to remain fit and active and, wherever possible, having the recommended 60 minutes of daily physical activity. Youth Sport Trust and [Sport England](#) have advice and support on helping children and young people stay physically active.

Use the [DfE blog](#) to find mental health resources for children, parents, carers and school staff.

NHS mental health services remain open, and have digital tools to connect with people and provide ongoing support. Please use your local children and young people's mental health service when needed.

Support for children and young people

Get free, confidential support at any time by:

texting SHOUT to 85258

calling Childline on [0800 1111](#)

calling the Mix on [0808 808 4994](#)

Find help online through:

[Young Minds](#) - information on coronavirus (COVID-19) and mental health

[Think Ninja](#) - a free app for 10 to 18 year olds to help build resilience and stay well

[Every Mind Matters](#) - building resilience and supporting good mental health in young people aged 10 to 16

PHE has also launched new [e-learning which can help parents and carers](#) to support their children and young people in emergency or crisis situations.

Barnardo's [See, Hear, Respond service](#), provides support to children, young people and their families who are not currently seeing a social worker or other agency, and who are struggling to cope with the emotional impacts of coronavirus (COVID-19). Use the See, Hear, Respond self-referral webpage or Freephone [0800 151 7015](#).

It is also vital to report any safeguarding concerns you have about any child. Contact the [NSPCC helpline](#). You can also contact Gloucestershire social care or speak to a member of staff at school.

After School Clubs

Currently government guidance is indicating from the 12th April children can attend clubs out of school . This may change, so please keep an eye on the latest guidance . If after Easter clubs go ahead, please have a look at the guidance below.

Choosing after-school clubs and out-of-school activities for your child

You should send your child to the same settings consistently and limit the number of settings they attend as far as possible, and ideally ensure they attend only one out-of-school setting in addition to school.

You should use settings local to your home or child's school, such as settings within walking or cycling distance.

You should also keep a record of when your child attends a setting and where it is. This is to help [NHSTest and Trace](#) identify people who may have been in contact with your child if they test positive for coronavirus (COVID-19).

Check with the provider that they have put in place protective measures to reduce the risk of infection before you send your child to a particular setting. For more information on choosing a setting for your child, please read the [guidance for parents and carers on safeguarding children in out-of-school settings](#).

Please be cautious and don't send and mix your child/ren with too many other children from different settings, schools and clubs .



Asymptomatic testing is available for families .

Asymptomatic testing will help to break the chains of transmission of coronavirus in education and childcare settings by identifying asymptomatic positive cases. This is important as up to 1 in 3 people who have the virus have it without symptoms (they are asymptomatic) so could be spreading the disease unknowingly.

If you're a member of a household, childcare or support bubble of a primary or secondary-age pupil or college student, you can get a twice-weekly test:

through your employer if they offer testing to employees

[at a local test site](#)

[by collecting a home test kit from a test site](#)

[by ordering a home test kit online](#)

For more information read the guidance on '[Households and bubbles of pupils, students and staff of schools and colleges: get rapid lateral flow tests](#)'.

The asymptomatic testing programme does not replace the current testing policy for those with symptoms.

A number of families have been using the tests and these have proved reassuring and children have been able to return to school quicker.

What to do if your child is displaying coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms

You should:

[book a test](#) if you or your child has symptoms - the main symptoms are:

a high temperature

a new continuous cough

a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

[self-isolate](#) immediately and not attend the out-of-school or wraparound childcare setting if:

you or your child develops symptoms

you or your child have been in close contact with someone who tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19)

anyone in your household or support or childcare bubble develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19)

you or your child are required to do so having recently [travelled from certain other countries](#)

you or your child have been advised to isolate by NHS test and trace or the PHE local health protection team

provide details of anyone they have been in close contact with, if they test positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or if asked by NHS Test and Trace

If your child becomes unwell while at a setting, the provider should call you immediately to collect them. When you collect your child, you should take them straight home. Do not use public transport or visit the GP, pharmacy, urgent care centre or a hospital unless your child is seriously unwell. In an emergency, call 999 if they are seriously ill or injured or their life is at risk.

Follow the NHS guidance on [when to self-isolate and what to do](#), or contact NHS 119 by phone if you do not have internet access.

If your child tests negative, they can usually return to the setting and your household can stop self-isolating, subject to confirmation from local health protection professionals.

If your child tests negative but is unwell, they should not return to the setting until they have recovered.

If your child tests positive, [NHS Test and Trace](#) will speak directly to those that have been in contact with your child to offer advice.

Anyone contacted by NHS Test and Trace and told to self-isolate has a legal obligation to do so, but you may leave home, to avoid injury or illness or to escape the risk of harm. More information can be found on [NHSTest and Trace: how it works](#).

Term Dates 2021 / 2022

SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS 2021/22



SEPTEMBER					OCTOBER					NOVEMBER							
Mon		6	13	20	27	Mon	4	11	18	25	Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tues		7	14	21	28	Tues	5	12	19	26	Tues	2	9	16	23	30	
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	Wed	6	13	20	27	Wed	3	10	17	24		
Thur	2	9	16	23	30	Thur	7	14	21	28	Thur	4	11	18	25		
Fri	3	10	17	24	Fri	1	8	15	22	29	Fri	5	12	19	26		
Sat	4	11	18	25	Sat	2	9	16	23	30	Sat	6	13	20	27		
Sun	5	12	19	26	Sun	3	10	17	24	31	Sun	7	14	21	28		
DECEMBER					JANUARY					FEBRUARY							
Mon		6	13	20	27	Mon	3	10	17	24	31	Mon		7	14	21	28
Tues		7	14	21	28	Tues	4	11	18	25	Tues	1	8	15	22		
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	Wed	5	12	19	26	Wed	2	9	16	23		
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Sun	5	12	19	26	Sun	2	9	16	23	30	Sun	6	13	20	27		
MARCH					APRIL					MAY							
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JUNE					JULY					AUGUST							
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Term Time	Holidays	Bank Holiday	Inset Day
Term 1: Thurs 2 nd Sept – Fri 22 nd Oct, 2021	37 days	Christmas Bank Holidays	27 th December 2021 28 th December 2021
Term 2: Mon 1 st Nov – Fri 17 th Dec 2021	35 days	New Year Bank Holiday	3 rd January 2022
Term 3: Tue 4 th Jan - Fri 18 th Feb 2022	34 days	Good Friday	15 th April 2022
Term 4: Mon 28 th Feb – Fri 8 th April 2022	30 days	Easter Monday	18 th April 2022
Term 5: Mon 25 th April – Fri 27 th May 2022	24 days	Early May Bank Holiday	2 nd May 2022
Term 6: Mon 6 th June – Fri 22 nd July 2022	35 days	Spring Bank Holiday	2 nd June 2022
		The Queen's Platinum Jubilee	3 rd June 2022
		Summer Bank Holiday	29 th August 2022
Total	195 days*		

*195 days are defined as "School days". In the school year 2020/21 pupils must attend for 190 days. Schools may decide individually or collectively which 5 days in the year are INSET or non-contact days (days pupils do not need to attend).

Please Note: Schools considering alternative dates or considering changes to their school opening times may wish to contact our Transport Team to discuss transport implications and contact local childcare providers to discuss what impact this could have.

Greenwoods Nursery Easter Holiday Club

For more details about their holiday club please contact them directly at:

gwnursery@hotmail.com or telephone: 01594 83766

(www.greenwoodsnursery.co.uk)

Easter holidays

Week commencing

Tuesday 6th April - Friday 9th April

Monday 12th April - Friday 16th April



Planned activities

Tuesday 6th April - Woodland adventures

Wednesday 7th April - Scooter trip to the skate park and picnic
(Weather permitting)

Thursday 8th April - Craft day

Friday 9th April - Games day

Monday 12th April - Greenwoods bake off

Tuesday 13th April - Geo caching

Wednesday 14th April - Local food bank trip and park

Thursday 15th April - Sports day

Friday 16th April - Bike riding

Daily woodland walks, arts and
crafts, baking and games



Diary Dates

March

- w/c 22nd March - Easter Raffle - squares go on sale
- Monday 22nd March - Archery Taster Day
- Thursday 25th March - Year 3 Multi-sports (After School Club)
- Wednesday 31st March - Easter Raffle Draw

April

- Thursday 1st April - Break up for Easter (last day of term)
- Friday 2nd April - Good Friday
- Monday 19th April - Return to School

May

- Monday 3rd May - Virtual Book Fair
(More details to follow)
- Friday 14th May - Pyjamarama Day
(More details to follow)