

Ellwood School News



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New Oak Class Teacher

We are pleased to inform you that we have appointed Mrs Breakwell as Oak Class's new teacher, starting after the Easter break. Mrs Breakwell is a very experienced class teacher and we are really looking forward to her joining the Ellwood team.

Miss Hughes

Miss Hughes will not be returning to Ellwood School due to personal circumstances. We would like to wish her every success in the future.

Children's Targets

Your child/ren have individual targets for reading, writing and maths. Please ask them what their targets are this term and what they need to do to improve their work.

School Disco

Don't forget Ellwood Friend's will be holding a Disco at school on Friday 10th February.

KS1 : 6 p.m.—7 p.m.

KS2 : 7.15 p.m.—8.30 p.m.

Entry cost £1.50 per child which includes free drinks.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Pupils - Please note no mobile phones or cameras to be brought to disco. Thank you.



SATs Meeting For Parents—Year 2

Parents/Carers of Year 2 children (Chestnut and Beech) are invited to come along to a SATs information meeting on Wednesday 22nd February at 3.15 in Beech Class.

Dinners—Reminder

Just a reminder, that after half term hot school dinners will be ordered on a daily basis.

Thank you.

Year 6 SATs Meeting

Thank you to all those parents/carers that attended the Year 6 SATs meeting this week. If however you were unable to attend, please speak to Mrs Marshall for more information.

Thank you.

New Parent Governor

We are delighted to announce that we have appointed a new parent Governor, Mrs C Ulyatt to our governing body.

Spring Term -Spelling Challenge

Please look out for the Spelling Challenge words in your child's book bag. The challenge will take place on Wednesday 5th April.

Spelling

**Mrs Pendrey
25 Years at Ellwood School**

We would like to congratulate Mrs Pendrey on celebrating 25 years of working at Ellwood Primary School as a midday supervisor.

To celebrate this special occasion the children made cards and the staff held a surprise tea party and presented her with a gift and flowers.



Car Park

During the half term break the car park is being resurfaced - which is great news! The work should be completed by the time we return on Monday 20th February but be prepared for the possibility of some disruption if the work has not been completed on the first Monday back.

Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.



**The Museum of Gloucester
Young Designers 2017**

This Year's competition is to design a poster for the Dinosaurs exhibition, opening at the Museum of Gloucester on 15th July 2017.

Your poster should be an A4 piece of white paper and can be as colourful as you like. You might want to draw a dinosaur that you've seen somewhere? Or maybe one that you've made up yourself, it's completely up to you! Make sure you write your name, age and school on the back of your poster.

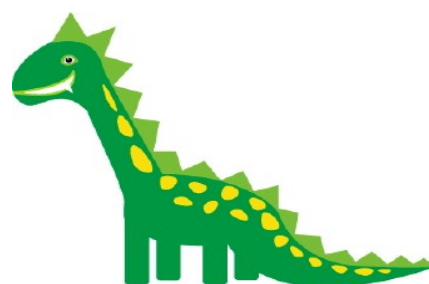
Finished posters should be handed into school by Friday 24th February 2017.

What you win

A museum goodie bag, an annual family museum membership and tickets to visit the 'Dinosaurs' Exhibition. PLUS you will have your very own trophy with your name on to show your friends!

Who can enter?

There are two age categories—Infants (4-7 years) and Juniors (8—11 years). School will choose a winner in each category, those winners will then go into the Grand Final to be one of the overall winners of Gloucester Museums Young Designers 2017!



After School Clubs

The following clubs will continue after half term:

Monday—Gymnastics, Chess , Creative Textiles and Netball

Tuesday—Change for Life and Football

Wednesday—Multisports, Country Dancing

Thursday—Gymnastics

Friday—Singing and Dancing

All clubs will start back on Monday 20th February unless told otherwise. There will no clubs the last week before the Easter holidays.

School Uniform

Children are expected to wear school uniform and sensible 'safe' shoes (not trainers). Please ensure that your child does not wear jewellery which could prove dangerous in physical activities. P.E. kit should be in school every day.

All items of clothing should be marked with your child's name as this greatly improves speed of return when something is misplaced!

Parent View

Just a reminder to log into the Parent View website and register your views. You log in via the schools website or directly at www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk

Comic Relief

Red noses will be on sale in school from Monday March 13th.

We will also be holding a cake sale on Comic Relief Day—Friday 24th March. Cake donations may be brought into school on the day.

Thank you.



Internet Safety Week—Competition

We are extending the competition deadline to Friday February 24th. This will allow children to complete their entries over the half term break.

All entries should be as colourful as possible and have at least one factual statement about how to keep safe on line. Please remember to clearly label the entries with name and class (on the back of the sheet).

Winners will be announced on Monday 27th February.

Entries will be displayed in the ICT room

Free School Meals

If you think your child may be eligible for free school meals please visit Gloucestershire County Council. www.gloucestershire.gov.uk

Remember that Universal Free School Meals are only valid while children are in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. All meals will have to be paid for in September for new Year 3, unless they are Free School Meals. So it might be worth checking whether you qualify.

Healthy Breakfast

This year we will be holding our Healthy Breakfast on the 16th and 17th March in the morning before school. More information will follow closer to the time.



Diary Dates 2017

February 2017

- Fri 10th Feb - Gymnastics Competition—KS2 only
Forest of Dean 12 p.m.—3 p.m.
(More Information to follow)
- K-nex Challenge (Y5 and Y6)
- End of Term School Disco
KS1 6p.m. - 7p.m.
KS2 7.15 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.
- Break up for Half term**
3.15 p.m. finish
- Mon 20th Feb - **Back to School**
- Wed 22nd Feb - Year 2 SATs Parent Information Meeting
3.15 p.m. Beech Class

March 2017

- Thur 9th Mar - STEAM Museum Trip (Sycamore and Willow)
- Fri 10th Mar - 'In the Net' Performance (Y4)
- Mon 13th Mar - Red Noses on sale in school
- Wed 15th Mar - Class Photos and Leavers Photos
- Thur 16th Mar - Healthy Breakfast
- Fri 17th Mar - Healthy Breakfast
- Fri 24th Mar - Red Nose Day and Cake Sale
- Sat 25th Mar - Gymnastics Competition (Y1—Y6)
(More information will follow)