

Ellwood Community Primary School

Believe, Achieve, Belong

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Our value this term is: Resilience

May 23rd 2024

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 92.8%**

Well done to **Beech class** this week for getting the highest attendance. Attendance has been very low this week and this is largely down to holidays being taken in term time. Please be reminded that holidays during term time will not be authorised and you are likely to incur a fine.

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

admin@ellwood.gloucs.sch.uk

Thank you.

Oak	91.5%
Chestnut	93.9%
Beech	96%
Sycamore	90.7%
Willow	91%

Hallie's Heroes

We will be supporting Hallie's Heroes on Monday 15th July and inviting all children to dress as a superhero for the day!

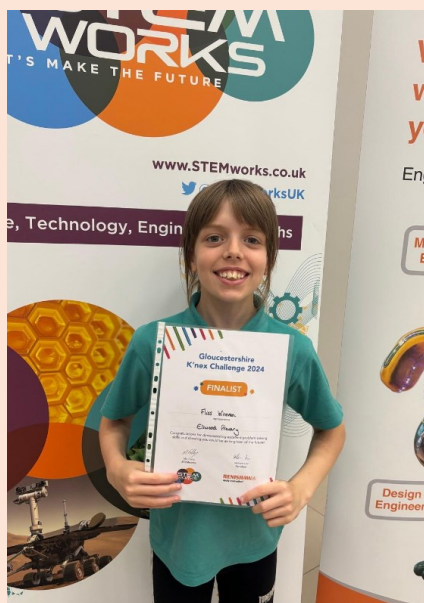
We will be ending the day with a cake sale for which we would be really grateful of cake donations on the day.

Thank you!



K'nex Challenge

A big well done to Flis and Amelia for taking part in the K'nex challenge this week, they did so well!



Warning - "Add everyone" whatsapp group

We have been advised to further warn parents that the above whatsapp group contains pornographic images of adults.

Children are being told to add everyone they know to the group meaning the group can contain thousands of people/children. Please ensure your child is not part of this whatsapp group as a matter of urgency.

Thank you.

Parent Pay

Please ensure any outstanding balances on parent pay are paid before returning after half term. If you are struggling to pay all in one go then please pay off a little bit each week, or what you can afford. We understand it can be hard to afford everything all at once and would much rather you pay what you can when you can, rather than let the balances grow.

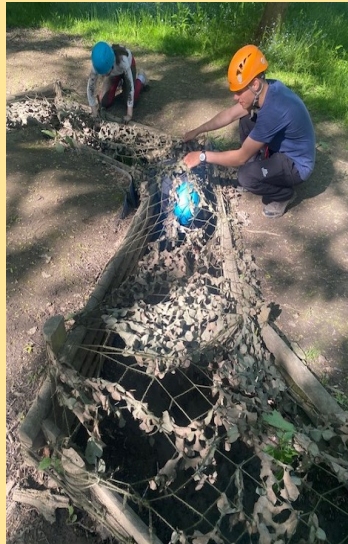
All debts need to be cleared by the summer which gives 8 weeks left to budget for.

Hot dinners need to be paid for in advance, there must be an available balance on parent pay to enable your child to have a hot dinner. The money goes to caterlink catering company and school can not pay for children's dinners in advance unfortunately. If there are debts on accounts, parents will need to provide sandwiches and no further meals will be ordered until the debt is cleared.

Thank you for your understanding.

Year 6 Manor Adventure

What a great weekend the year 6 children had at Manor Adventure. We were so lucky to have great weather and the children participated in so many fantastic activities, they absolutely loved it! Thank you to the staff that gave up their weekend with their own families to take them.





Biking

Thankyou and well done to the children who participated in the mountain bike competition this week. They came 4th overall in their heat and persevered when the riding got tough!

Well done to all of you!



SUMMER DRAMA WEEKS



7 - 18yrs

IMAGINE CREATE PERFORM



Venue:

'The Ferns', Townsend
Mitcheldean GL17 0BG

MORE CONFIDENCE
MORE SKILLS
MORE FRIENDS
MORE FUN

KIDACTORS

7 - 12 yrs
July 22nd - 26th
July 29th - Aug 2nd
Aug 12th - 13th

TEENACTORS

11yrs upwards
Aug 5th - 9th
Aug 14th - 15th

10am - 4.30 pm daily

£35.00 day

£150.00 for 5 days

£5.00 reduction daily for siblings

Wk 1 & 4 : Daily workshops

Wk 2 & 3 Full week + performance

07977 147273



P.E Schedule Summer Term 2

Please see below the P.E schedule for when we return after half term.

Summer Term 2

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



Monday	Chestnut: PE Kit	Beech: PE Kit		
Tuesday	Willow: PE Kit	Oak: PE Kit		
Wednesday	Sycamore: PE Kit	Beech: PE Kit		
Thursday	Chestnut: PE Kit	Oak: PE Kit	Year 6: PE Kit (gymnastics)	
Friday	Year 4: PE Kit	Year 6: Forest Adventures	Year 5: PE Kit	
Oak	Chestnut	Beech	Sycamore	Willow

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

Chestnut class

We have finished our pouches! This term the children have worked hard to create their own pouch to keep money or special things inside. We used a template and attached this using safety pins to the fabric and carefully cut it out. We then joined the fabric together using thread.



Oak Class

Oak class have now completed their final gymnastics for this academic year. It has been lovely to see all of the children grow in confidence over the 7 weeks. They have developed their physical capabilities each week, and it has been great to watch their excitement and enthusiasm.

It has also been a privilege to take the class off site each week. Their behaviour, attitude and manners have been impeccable.

Well done Oak class!



Year 1

Big thank you to Elizah's mum who let us hold her chicks!

The children loved this experience!



Year 1 have worked extremely hard this term, writing stories, letters and diary entries. We have enjoyed reading the book 'Billy and the Minpins'.

Little Billy sat high
 the window. He did not
 like to go near
 little Billy saw some
 minpins in the
 two terrible beasts
 little Billy.

Today all of Little Billy's dreams
 had come true! He was now
 in a sort of forest. Towering trees
 sharp branches and thick
 roots surrounded Little Billy. The
 forest was very dark. Little
 Billy saw some
 minpins. There was a scary
 beast with white horns
 and yellow hair and a
 flat body and yellow
 eyes. He met the minpins.

Today Little Billy was walking in the
 forest. He saw some minpins
 but he could not see them. He
 climbed a tree and hid. He
 saw a scary beast. He was
 very brave. He met the minpins.

Can you describe what this beast looks like?

Little Billy	forest	branches	minpins	beast
chased	climbed	treehouse	sprinted	dodging

pond	tree	minpins	beast
chased	climbed	treehouse	sprinted

Forest Wild Ones

PARTY



Our woodland is the perfect setting for an adventurous birthday party!

Parties last for a fun filled 2 hours!

🌲 Den building

🌳 Tree climbing

🔥 Fire lighting, hot dogs and marshmallows

🎉 Your chosen theme

🎯 Activities

👩 We handle everything, so parents relax while children explore 🧒

HOLIDAY CLUB

We offer fun, engaging and adventurous holiday clubs for your children aged 5 - 13.

We remain child led as much as possible, so a large part of our sessions is just allowing children the space and freedom to play in our woodland area however they want; through imaginative play, climbing trees, making mud pies in the mud kitchens, building dens and relaxing in hammocks.

But we also have an activity or two planned if they wish to join in, which may include a scavenger hunt, insect house building, making bird feeders, team building games or fire lighting. No two sessions are the same!



Cinderford Scout hut
GL14 2EH

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Sycamore class

Sycamore class have been practicing taking part in athletics in P.E.

They particularly enjoyed Javelin!



Diary Dates

MAY

- Friday 24th May - Y6 leavers cake sale - Please support year 6 with their cake sale to raise funds for their leavers event
- Monday 27th May -
Friday - **HALF TERM**

JUNE

- Monday 3rd June - **INSET DAY**
- Tuesday 4th June -
Friday 7th June - Year 4 multiplication check
- Monday 10th June - Phonics screening check
- Thursday 13th June - New intake meeting 17:30pm (EYFS)
- Friday 14th June - Sponsored bounce (raising funds for a covered outdoor area for Forest Adventures).
- Wednesday 26th June - Year 5 Dean Academy taster day

JULY

- Monday 1st July - Year 4 trip to Viney Hill
- Thursday 4th July - EYFS Cattle Country trip