

# Ellwood Community Primary School



*Bulletin - October 21st 2021*

## Harvest Festival

We had a great day celebrating Harvest Festival yesterday. Thank you so much for all of your generous donations, as you can see we had a massive amount of food donated for the local food bank!!



## Harvest Festival Continued...

Below are some photos from Harvest Festival on Wednesday.

Oak class - Oak class painted their own combine harvesters inspired by their harvest song "Big Red Combine Harvester".



Chestnut Class



Please keep an eye on your class page for more photos.....

## Clubs - Autumn 2021

Please find below a list of the clubs that are running after half term. You should have received an email for the appropriate clubs for your child/ren with a form to submit if you wish for them to join a club. Running club is now full, but there are still a few limited spaces in the other clubs if you haven't yet signed your child/ren up to one yet.

Clubs will start week commencing 1st November and finish Friday 10th December.

Please note that there will be **NO CLUBS** on **Tuesday 9th** and **Thursday 11th November** due to parents evening.

Club	Day / Time	Year Group/Class	Staff Member
Young Voices	Monday 3:15pm – 4:15pm	Already listed (Years 5/6)	Mrs Howell
Yoga	Thursday 3:15pm – 4:00pm (20 Max) Please note this club is for 45 mins.	Years 2, 3 and 4	External Coach Mrs Rickards
D&T	Tuesday 3:15pm – 4:15pm (Max 20 pupils) £5 contribution for resources	Year 1 and 2	Miss Hek
Art	Friday 3:15pm – 4:15pm (Max 30 pupils)	Years 1, 2 and 3	Miss Chisman
Colouring Club	Thursday lunchtime (Max 20 pupils)	Years 4, 5 and 6	Mrs Charles
Hockey	Tuesday 3:15pm – 4:15pm (Max 20 pupils)	Years 4, 5 and 6	Mrs Marshall
Running Club	Wednesday 3:15pm – 4:15pm (Max 15 pupils)	Years 4, 5 and 6	Miss Peart

## Cake Sale

As part of PSHE and wellbeing lessons, the children have been looking at being kind and supporting others. This is good for their own well-being and benefits others. The children have learnt that by helping others it makes people feel valued and good about themselves. The charity they have chosen is Cancer Research, which is relevant to most people at some point in their lives. Well done to Willow and Mrs Sheppard for organising this for such a great cause, they raised £74!

## TT Rock Stars Competition Maths Week 8th - 11th November

During the first week back, we will be taking part in 'England Rocks' which is a national TT Rock Stars Competition for Maths Week.

The TT Rock Stars competitions have always been a big success in school so we are really looking forward to this one! The competition will be open to children in Year 3 - 6 and certificates and prizes will be given for top scores in each class! Over half term, we would love the children to get practising on TT Rock Stars so that they are ready and prepared for the competition when we come back! If you need your child's log in information resent, please email admin and we can get this sorted for you. More information about the competition to follow.



**Timings**

Start date:	End date:	Daily open times:
8th November 2021, 07:30	11th November 2021, 19:30	07:30 - 19:30

## COVID-19 Update:

Following the resolution of the UKHSA investigation last week, the necessary retesting advice has been issued and the previously issued statement by the UKHSA can now be rescinded. Schools should return to relying on PCR testing in their decision making.

-As soon as anyone becomes symptomatic, they should isolate immediately and arrange to have a PCR test to see if they have COVID-19. If the result is negative, they can return to school as soon as they feel well.

-Regular LFD testing of asymptomatic staff and secondary age students should continue. If someone tests positive on LFD, they should isolate and take a PCR test to confirm whether they are positive. If the result is negative, they can return to school.

-All close contacts of confirmed cases are advised to take a PCR test. If close contacts are under 18 years 6 months, are fully vaccinated, have taken part in or are currently part of an approved COVID-19 vaccine trial or not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons they do not need to self-isolate.

-If someone has recently (within 90 days) had a positive PCR test for COVID-19, they are likely to have developed some immunity.

-Individuals are exempt from testing by both PCR and LFD within 90 days of a positive PCR test, unless they develop new symptoms, in which case they should isolate and arrange for a PCR test.

## PE Kit

Please ensure your child/ren are wearing the correct PE kit. PE kit should be a white t-shirt, black or blue shorts/jogging bottoms. In colder weather children should wear their school jumpers.

Please do not send them in wearing branded tracksuits or hooded tops.

Many thanks.

## End of term message

We have come to the end of the first half term and we must admit, it has been a very busy term! As you can imagine COVID is impacting on the school more than it ever has before, with staff and pupil absences. Thank you to all staff for stepping up and helping each other out to ensure that we could continue to run smoothly.

We are grateful that all children and staff are remaining well and we wish them a speedy recovery and hope to see them back after half term. We hope you all have a great half term and enjoy spending time with your families. Please continue to be please vigilant over half term and remember to book PCR tests if anyone shows symptoms, or are identified as a close contact. That way, we should be able to continue as normal after half term without too much disruption. Well done to the children for working hard this term and to staff for organising such fun activities for them.

Have a great half term!!

## *Diary Dates*

### **OCTOBER**

Friday 22nd October - Inset Day (Staff only)

### HALF TERM

### **NOVEMBER**

Monday 1st November - Autumn Term 2 begins

Wednesday 3rd November - School photos (Individuals)

Tuesday 9th November - Swimming Y5 & Y6

Monday 15th November - Open evening for new starters

Tuesday 23rd November - Swimming Y5 & Y6