

# Ellwood Community Primary School

*Believe, Achieve, Belong*

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**Our value this term is: Kindness**

**April 21st 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 92.7%**.

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

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](mailto:admin@ellwood.gloucs.sch.uk)

Thank you.

Oak	85%
Chestnut	87.1%
Beech	96.6%
Sycamore	96.1%
Willow	83.4%

Dear Parents,

We hope you all had a lovely Easter break and managed to spend time together as a family. The children are back in the swing of learning and have worked hard this week. We have lots of exciting events and activities happening this term. The weather seems to be improving and the school area is looking wonderful with all the daffodils, flowers and trees in blossom.

Several year groups have a really busy term ahead. EYFS are focussing on ensuring they are reaching their early learning goals, year 1 have their phonics screening test coming up, year 2 have their end of KS1 assessments soon, year 4 have their multiplication check and year 6 have their end of KS2 statutory assessments. Please keep supporting your child with these areas of learning and help them where possible. It will really benefit them and ensure they are where they should be and will make the next transition to their next year group or phase so much easier for them. It is important that they are completing their weekly homework, particularly their reading, phonics and times table work.

There are teachers strikes coming up again in the next few weeks, we will send more information about this next week as soon as we know how this will impact on our school.

We are looking forward to seeing you all in school during the next term for different events.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards  
Mrs Milford

# Year 1 Parents/Carers

We would be grateful if the parents/carers of children currently in year 1 could attend an informal information session about the 'Year 1 Phonics Screening Check' due to take place in June 2023.

We will be sharing important information with you about the phonics screening check and practical ways in which you can support your child at home to pass the check.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Miss Peart [Phonics Lead] & Miss Hek [Class Teacher]

**Date: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April**

**Time: 3:30pm-4:00pm**

## Our School Day

from September 2023

### School Opening Times

8:45am – gates open

(children are welcome to come into school between 8:45am – 8:50am)

8:50am – registration and lessons begin

3:20pm – school day ends

(children collected from the playground)

Believe 

Achieve 

Belong 

## WEEK ONE

17 April  
8 May  
5 June  
26 June  
17 July  
11 September  
2 October  
23 October

### MONDAY

Option one  
Macaroni Cheese

Option two  
Wholemeal Vegetable Pasta Bake

Option three  
Jacket Potato with Cheese

Vegetables  
Seasonal Vegetables

Dessert  
Slicky Toffee Apple Crumble with Custard

### TUESDAY

Pork Sausage with Mashed Potato & Tomato Relish

Vegan Sausage with Mashed Potato & Tomato Relish

Jacket Potato with Baked Beans

Seasonal Vegetables

Vanilla Shortbread

### WEDNESDAY

Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Sweet Potato & Spinach Flan with Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise

Seasonal Vegetables

Fruit Jelly with Mandarins

### THURSDAY

Minced Beef & Onion Pie with New Potatoes

Cheese & Tomato Pinwheel with New Potatoes

Jacket Potato with Cheese

Seasonal Vegetables

Vanilla Sponge with Custard

### FRIDAY

Fish Fingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce

Vegan Sausage with Chips & Tomato Sauce

Jacket Potato with Baked Beans & Cheese

Peas & Baked Beans

Chocolate Shortbread

## WEEK TWO

24 April  
15 May  
12 June  
3 July  
24 July  
18 September  
9 October

Option one  
Five Bean Chili with Rice

Option two  
Vegan Meatballs with Tomato Sauce & Rice

Option three  
Jacket Potato with Cheese

Vegetables  
Seasonal Vegetables

Dessert  
Lemon & Cucumber Sponge

Vegetable Stir Fry Noodles

Spanish Omelette with Potato Wedges

Jacket Potato with Baked Beans

Seasonal Vegetables

Marble Sponge with Custard

Roast Turkey with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Vegetable Wellington with Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise

Seasonal Vegetables

Oaty Cookie

Chef's Special Chicken Karma with Rice

Lentil & Sweet Potato Curry with Rice

Jacket Potato with Cheese

Seasonal Vegetables

Peach Crumble & Custard

Salmon Fish Fingers/ Fish Fingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce

Beefroot Burger with Chips & Tomato Sauce

Jacket Potato with Baked Beans & Cheese

Peas & Baked Beans

Apple, Cheese & Crackers

## WEEK THREE

1 May  
22 May  
19 June  
10 July  
4 September  
25 September  
16 October

Option one  
Vegetable Fajitas with Rice

Option two  
Pilau Rice with Five Beans

Option three  
Jacket Potato with Cheese

Vegetables  
Seasonal Vegetables

Dessert  
Apple Sponge

Spaghetti Bolognese

Vegan Spaghetti Bolognese

Jacket Potato with Baked Beans

Seasonal Vegetables

Pear & Chocolate Upside Down Cake with Custard

Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Vegan Quorn with Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise

Seasonal Vegetables

Banana Sponge with Custard

Chicken Enchiladas with Potato Wedges

Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges

Jacket Potato with Cheese

Seasonal Vegetables

Peaches with Ice Cream

Fish Fingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce

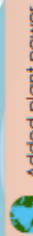
Cheese & Red Pepper Frittata with Chips & Tomato Sauce

Jacket Potato with Baked Beans & Cheese

Peas & Baked Beans

Fruity Shortbread

### MENU KEY



Added plant power



Wholemeal



Vegan



Chef's Special

### ALLERGY INFORMATION:

If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of cross contamination.

**Available Daily:**  
- Bread freshly baked on site daily - Daily salad selection

## Curriculum

Year 2 have started their new science topic of plants with a morning in the garden. All children explored the garden, planted seeds in our flower bed and planted a bean seed. We will be tracking the progress of the plants during the summer term and we are hoping to enjoy some yummy food that we've grown ourselves!





# Picture News

Each week classes look at a 'Weekly Picture News' story. Let's have a look at this week's story...

Can you prepare for emergency situations?



## Let's look at this week's story



Loud siren-like sounds will be triggered on mobile phones and other devices on 23<sup>rd</sup> April as part of a UK Government test of its new emergency alerts system. The service will broadcast alarms and send emergency advice to people's devices to warn them of nearby danger that could threaten their life such as a large fire or flooding. As part of the service's roll out, a number of trials are taking place.

## This week's story looks at events related to ..



## Reflection



Over our lives, we may find ourselves in emergency situations, which can be scary and stressful. Things like warning alerts can help us to respond better in these difficult times.



## UN Rights of a Child



We all have the right to live in a safe environment. The emergency alert is one way that can help us stay safe.



## Protected Characteristics



Some people will not receive emergency alerts because they do not have mobile phones or other devices. There are other ways people can be alerted so everyone can be kept as safe as possible.



## British Values



## Individual Liberty

There are many situations in life that can become dangerous. By considering the consequences of our actions and managing risks, we can help to keep ourselves and others safer.

## Useful vocabulary



### Device

An object or machine that has been invented for a particular purpose. The device will make a loud siren sound, even if it is on silent.

### Emergency

A serious, unexpected and often dangerous situation requiring immediate action. How would you describe an emergency?

### Roll out

Officially launch or introduce a new product or service. As part of the service's roll out, a number of trials are taking place.

### Siren

A warning device which makes a long, loud noise. The device will make a loud siren sound, even if it is on silent.

### Triggered

Caused it to work. Loud siren-like sounds will be triggered on mobile phones and other devices on 23<sup>rd</sup> April as part of a UK Government test of its new emergency alerts system.

### Unexpectedly

In a way that was not expected or regarded as likely. Phones and other devices in the UK may unexpectedly make a loud sound like a siren in April.

# COLEFORD FESTIVAL OF WORDS

march, april, may 2023

**SATURDAY 29TH APRIL - 11AM TO 12NOON**

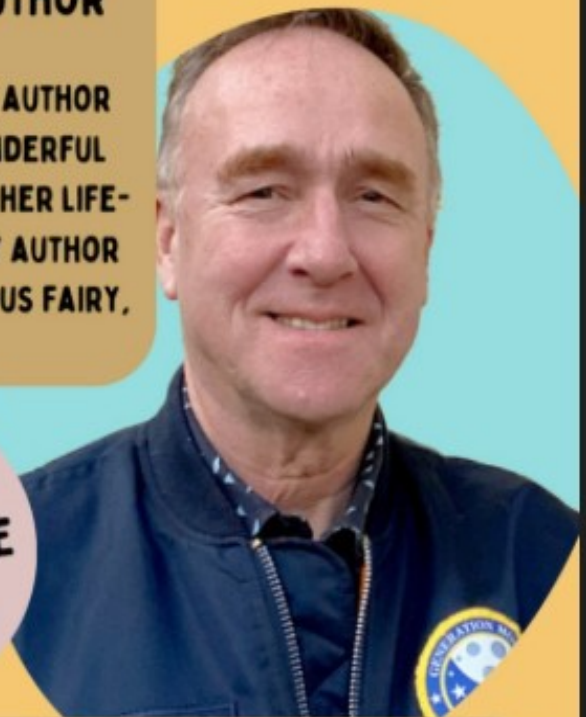
**FOREST BOOKS AND CRAFTS**

**CHARLOTTE TAYLOR - CHILDREN'S AUTHOR**

CHARLOTTE L. TAYLOR IS A MULTI AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR FROM THE FOREST OF DEAN. INSPIRED BY THE WONDERFUL CHILDREN IN HER CLASSES, SHE FINALLY FULFILLED HER LIFE-LONG DREAM OF BECOMING A CHILDREN'S FANTASY AUTHOR WHEN SHE INTRODUCED HER FEISTY AND MISCHIEVOUS FAIRY, TWIGS, TO THE WORLD.



**THESE  
EVENTS ARE  
FREE!**



**SATURDAY 29TH APRIL - 2PM TO 3PM**

**FOREST BOOKS AND CRAFTS**

**SHOO RAYNOR - CHILDREN'S AUTHOR**

BELOVED AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR SHOO HAS WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED OVER 200 BOOKS FOR CHILDREN & HAS OVER 380,000 FOLLOWERS ON HIS YOUTUBE DRAWING CHANNELS.

HE LIVES IN COLEFORD AND IS CURRENTLY, WORKING ON GENERATION MOON A SPACE ADVENTURE TRILOGY TO INSPIRE THE NEXT GENERATION OF EXPLORERS IN SPACE.

**SQUASH AND  
BISCUITS  
PROVIDED!**

**FOREST BOOKS & CRAFTS, 15 MARKET PLACE, COLEFORD GL16 8AW**

**KEEP AN EYE ON [WWW.WHATSONFOD.CO,UK](http://WWW.WHATSONFOD.CO,UK) FOR MORE DETAILS**

## Fundraising Friday

Each Friday, after school outside Willow Classroom, we will be selling items to raise money for the school. Each Friday there will be something different for sale.

The first Fundraising Friday is this Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> April where we will be selling items of children's stationery. Items will range from 20p to 50p each.

Many thanks for your ongoing support for our lovely little school.



*Family  
Picnic  
for The Kings  
Coronation*

*Sunday 7th  
May @ Sling  
Playing Fields*

*2pm - 5pm*

*Fun, Games &  
music*

## *Diary Dates*

### **APRIL**

- Friday 21st April - KS1 SATS Meeting for Y2 parents  
3:30pm - 4:00pm
- Monday 24th April - Phonics screening meeting for Y1 parents  
3:30pm - 4:00pm
- Tuesday 25th April - Y3 Gymnastics
- Wednesday 26th April - Multiplication check meeting for Y4 parents  
3:30pm - 4:00pm
- Friday 28th April - Cake sale 3:15-3:30 to raise money for the year  
6 leavers event

### **MAY**

- Monday 1st May - **BANK HOLIDAY**
- Tuesday 2nd May - Y3 Gymnastics
- Friday 5th May - Coronation day celebrations - wear red, white  
and blue. Tea and cake on field 2:00pm - 3:15pm  
Parents/Carers invited.
- Monday 8th May - **BANK HOLIDAY**
- Tuesday 9th May - Y3 Gymnastics
- Tuesday 9th - 12th May - KS2 SATS
- Monday 15th - 18th May - KS1 SATS
- Tuesday 16th May - Y3 Gymnastics