

# Ellwood Community Primary School

*Believe, Achieve, Belong*

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**Our value this term is: Honesty**

**June 22nd 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 97.8%** which is over our target of 97%

Well done to **Chestnut 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	98.8%
Chestnut	99.1%
Beech	97.8%
Sycamore	98.2%
Willow	95.5%

## Potential Strike Action

There is potential strike action on **5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> July**.

We do not currently know our staff's position but will of course let you know asap. We just wanted to give you advance warning incase you need to make alternative childcare arrangements.

Thank you for your understanding.



# Picture News

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



How has travel changed our lives?

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

Within the next ten years, people may be able to travel between London and Sydney in just two hours by journeying through space on a sub-orbital flight. The current length of a traditional flight between London, UK, and Sydney, Australia, is at least 20-22 hours and usually entails a stop-off to refuel along the way. A sub-orbital flight involves launching a spacecraft to an altitude above the Kármán line (the boundary of space).

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



Learn more about this week's story [here](#). Watch this week's useful video [here](#). This week's Virtual Picture News [here](#).



## Reflection

Travel has transformed the way we live our lives, allowing us to meet others, try different food and visit new places all over the world. As technology advances, the ways and means to travel can become quicker and easier.



## Mutual Respect and Tolerance

Having access to travel can help us learn more about people living in our world. Life is not the same for everyone and we should respect that.

## Protected Characteristics

Where and how people choose to live may affect the modes of transport they use. We should never be treated unfairly because of how we choose to live.



## UN Rights of a Child

If a child lives in a different country than their parents, governments must let the child and parents travel so that they can stay in contact and be together.



## Useful vocabulary

### Attitude

How people see or feel about something or someone. Showing a respect for an attitude above the Kármán line (the boundary of space).

### Commercial

Having to be used to make a profit.

### Monogamy

Being married to only one person. Period of monogamy in various social and events.

### Sub-orbital

Having a flight path that is below the outer atmosphere of the earth. Do you imagine you would be launched on a sub-orbital flight?

### Traditional

Having existed for a long time without changing. The current length of a traditional flight between London, UK, and Sydney, Australia, has been 20-22 hours.

### Transformed

Changed or converted. Transport has transformed the way we travel here.



## Reminders

### **Free school meals**

Please remember to apply for free schools meals if you think you might be eligible. If you have applied previously and have been rejected, it is always worth reapplying as they do sometimes change the criteria that needs to be met. For any help or support with the forms, please contact Mrs Charles or Mrs Rowley.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-transport-and-free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/>

**Friday 23rd June (tomorrow)** non school uniform in exchange for bottles, tins, chocolate, sweets and jolly jars donations for the school fair.

Rags2riches collection **Tuesday 27th June**

**Parent pay-** Please remember to clear any debts and make payment for any outstanding trips.

**Absences** - Please remember to phone the office before 9:30am if your child is absent.

## Pyjamarama Day

Year 3 celebrated Pyjamarama day yesterday by reading a book of their choice in the log circle, playing games to find out which books other children had read using different criteria (have you read a book that...), as well as listening to a whole class story. Here are some pictures of them enjoying the day.



## Sports day

What a fantastic day we had yesterday for sports day. It was so lovely seeing the children enjoying themselves, cheering on their team mates and demonstrating their determination and resilience.

Thank you to parents/carers for attending and cheering the children on. It was lovely to see so many of you there and we have had some lovely feedback on the day and the activities that were held. Thank you to staff for organising the event. It was also lovely to see a couple of our governors supporting us and the children. Here are some photos from the day.







*Proudly supporting*



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**NATIONAL SCHOOL  
SPORTS WEEK 2023**  
**PLAY FOR FUN, PLAY FOR 60**

# SUMMER GIVEAWAY

Encouraging children to take the pledge to be active all summer long with our great summer giveaway!

**PRIZES:** £50 Sports Direct Voucher | Free Week On Our Active Camps | £20 OFF Our Active Camps

To be in with a chance to win one these fab prizes, just simply scan the QR code.



## *Diary Dates*

### **JUNE**

- Friday 23rd June - Non-uniform day in exchange for bottles, tins, chocolate, sweets and jolly jars donations for the school fair
- Tuesday 27th June - Rags2Riches collection
- Friday 30th June - Mrs Marshall memorial walk - packed lunch required
- Monday 3rd July - Year 4 trip to Viney Hill
- W/C Mon 3rd July - Five Acres transition week
- Thursday 6th July - Dean Academy Y5 taster day (transport and lunches provided)
- Friday 7th July - Golf taster day Y1-Y6
- Tuesday 11th July - Whole school trip to Wild Place
- Wednesday 12th July- Transition day (and new EYFS)
- Thursday 13th July - Transition day
- Friday 14th July - Transition day
- Wednesday 19th July- EYFS trip to cattle country