

Ellwood Community Primary School

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Our value this term is: Responsibility

Sept 14th 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 98.6%** what a great start to the new academic year, let's keep it up!

Our new EYFS class will start full time next week and will be included on our attendance board from then.

Well done to **Chestnut class** for getting 100% attendance this week!

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

admin@ellwood.gloucs.sch.uk

Thank you.

Oak	N/A
Chestnut	100%
Beech	99.1%
Sycamore	99.6%
Willow	95.4%

Open Evening

Thursday 5th October 4:00–5:30pm

at

Ellwood Community Primary School

We will be holding an open evening to give prospective parents/carers the opportunity to look around the school and meet staff before they are required to apply for a school placement in 2024. There is no need to book an appointment. Please just arrive between these times. Please make sure you attend if you want to see the school as we do not have any other open evenings planned.

P.E - Year 2 Gymnastics

Year 2 have been enjoying their Gymnastics sessions at the Gym centre on a Thursday. Here are some photos that Miss Chisman has shared. Well done year 2!



New mud kitchen for EYFS!

One of our children's grandparents has made our new EYFS class a beautiful new mud kitchen!

We are sure the children are going to have many happy years playing with it, thank you so much we are very grateful!



What Parents & Carers Need to Know about LIVE STREAMING

Live streaming involves broadcasting and watching videos online in real time, often on social media or via platforms like YouTube and Twitch. Viewers can interact through comments, chats and reactions during the broadcast: such instant engagement makes this an exciting way to share experiences, learn from others and build digital communities. Despite the many positives, live streaming also creates a potential platform for unsuitable content and poses some risks to children: it's essential to keep privacy and safety in mind and comply with each site or app's age restrictions.

AGE RESTRICTION

13+
16+ 18+

Age varies by platform

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

LACK OF AGE VERIFICATION

Despite their age restrictions, some platforms don't require proof of age at sign up – meaning that anyone can register for an account (and potentially pretend to be older or younger than they actually are). In many cases, this means that young live streamers can never be totally certain exactly who they are broadcasting to and who is engaging with their live stream.

DISCLOSING PERSONAL INFO

A characteristic of live streaming is the ability for videos to be instantly shared worldwide. Without the correct privacy settings enabled, a child could inadvertently reveal personal information or their location, making them vulnerable to online predators or identity theft. It's wise to regularly check the privacy settings (and what data is being shared) on any apps your child has signed up for.

ANYTHING COULD HAPPEN

As the video streams are live, children might encounter (or inadvertently share) inappropriate content. Most live-streaming apps have rules to prevent this and monitor their services, also providing report buttons where content can be flagged for review. It may not be dealt with instantly, however, meaning that your child could be further exposed to harmful content during a live stream.

UNAUTHORISED RECORDINGS

Each live streaming platform stores completed videos for different periods (Twitch saves broadcasts for 90 days, for example, while Facebook and YouTube remove them only at the creator's request). Deleting a video, though, doesn't always stop it from being shared: in some cases, streams have been illegally recorded (or screenshots taken) by certain viewers and redistributed on other sites.

ROGUE CONTENT CREATORS

Children can also watch other people's live streams, which could potentially contain anything at any time (such as nudity, drug use or profanity). Most apps claim to monitor live streams and will stop any that don't adhere to their guidelines – but with millions of streams per day, it's complicated to regulate them all, so children could be exposed to inappropriate content without parents knowing.

DANGER OF GROOMING

There are increasing reports of children being coerced into performing "suggestive acts" by strangers on some live-streaming apps. Due to the lack of verification required for certain apps, almost anyone can sign up to these services (including anonymously or under a fake identity). It's vital, therefore, to ensure the correct safety measures are in place before your child begins live streaming.

Advice for Parents & Carers

PUT PRIVACY FIRST

Through the streaming app's settings, switch your child's account to 'private', so only their friends and followers can see their broadcasts. You could also turn off the live chat, shielding your child from any upsetting comments – although viewers' feedback is often seen as an integral part of the fun. Identify any nearby items (such as school uniforms or visible landmarks) that could give away your child's location.

MANAGE MULTISTREAMING

Some apps and sites let users stream their content through multiple social media platforms at once. A broadcast on SteamYard, for example, can be shared on YouTube, Twitch, X and Facebook if the accounts are linked. The privacy settings can differ on each of these, so we'd suggest only streaming via one platform at a time to maintain greater control over who's watching your child's videos.

GET INVOLVED YOURSELF

Research suggests a significant number of streams show a child on their own, often in a supposed safe space like their bedroom. If your child wants to live stream, ask if you could be present because you're interested in how it works. You could even set up your own account to gain a more detailed knowledge of what your child talks about in their live streams – and who they're broadcasting to.

TALK ABOUT LIVE STREAMING

Try to start with positives before discussing potential risks. You could ask which live streaming apps your child likes and how they use them. Do they just watch streams or create their own? Explain why it's unwise to reveal personal information while streaming (even to friends). If you feel your child's too young for live streams, explain your reasoning to them and perhaps agree to review this decision in the future.

CONSIDER THEIR ONLINE REPUTATION

As the broadcasts are live, it often causes the misconception among young people that whatever happens in their video simply 'vanishes' once the stream ends. However, videos can stay online indefinitely or be recorded by other users. It's important that your child understands what they do and say in a live stream could potentially damage their online reputation and, quite possibly, be seen by prospective future employers, colleges or universities.

Meet Our Expert

Rhodi Smith is Head of Digital Learning at Twicken's Kensington, London. Recognised in the EdTech 80 UK Awards Yearbook 2021/22 for his efforts in the digital transformation at Dulitt Town Primary School and Tower Hamlets, he is also a Google for Education Certified Trainer and guest lectures at University College London on the integration of technology across the curriculum.



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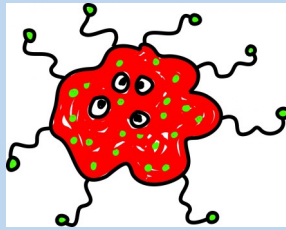
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Nasal Flu Vaccinations

This year nasal flu vaccinations will be taking place in school on Thursday 28th September. Forms will be sent home on Friday and need to be returned to us regardless of whether you wish for your child to have the vaccination or not.

There are two tick boxes on the form, one for 'I give consent' and one for 'I do NOT give consent'. Please return the forms to us by Thursday 21st September for us to collate them. If you do not return your form you will be contacted on the day by the school nursing team.

Thank you!



Tesco Stronger Starts

As of the first week of October until mid January, Ellwood Primary School will have a 'Tesco Stronger Starts' box in 3 local stores for you to pop your blue tokens in which are given to you after you shop in store.

This is really exciting as we are hoping to create a covered outdoor space for children to use for a number of purposes, to enhance wellbeing and healthy lifestyles.

You will be able to vote in store in the following stores;

Lydney Tesco

Cinderford Tesco

Coleford Tesco Express

To vote, you will need to make a purchase within store of any value. You will receive one token per transaction and it's not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token.

Thank you for your support!

Join us for Holiday Club at Ellwood Nursery

Monday 23rd October - Friday 3rd November 2023

We have lots of exciting activities planned including Forest Adventures,
Cookery, Arts & Craft, Yoga and Sport...



SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN - £5.50 PER HOUR

NURSERY AGED CHILDREN - £6.30 PER HOUR

PRICE INCLUDES BREAKFAST/SNACK/TEA DEPENDING ON SESSION TIMES.

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Join us for Breakfast & After School Club at Ellwood Nursery

Breakfast Club
£5.50

Where
Learning
is fun for
everyone

After School Club

UNTIL 4PM £5.50

UNTIL 5PM £11.00

UNTIL 5.30PM £13.00

Children will be taken to school/collected by a member of staff at the correct time.
Price includes breakfast/snack/tea depending on their session time.



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Diary Dates

SEPTEMBER

- Thursday 14th Sept - *Gymnastics - Year 2*
- Tuesday 19th Sept - *Swimming - Year 5 and 6*
- Thursday 21st Sept - *Gymnastics - Year 2*
- Tuesday 26th Sept - *Chestnut & Beech class trip to Dean Heritage Centre*
- Thursday 28th Sept - *Gymnastics - Year 2*
- *Nasal flu vaccinations (whole school)*

OCTOBER

- Tuesday 3rd Oct - *Swimming - Year 5 and 6*
- Thursday 5th Oct - *Gymnastics Year 1*
- *Open evening for prospective Sept 24 parents*
4:00pm—5:30pm
- Monday 9th Oct - *Cheltenham Literature Festival Years 1 -5*
- Tuesday 17th Oct - *Rags2riches collection*
- *Swimming - Years 5 and 6*
- Thursday 19th Oct - *Gymnastics Year 1*
- Wed 25th Oct - *Parents' evening*
- Thurs 26th Oct - *Parents' evening*
- *Gymnastics Year 1*