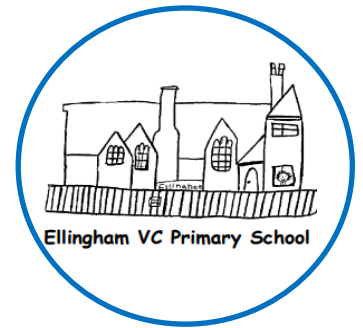


Newsletter

Friday 17th January



Values

Our main value for this half term is Respect. This also links in with reverence, truthfulness and peace.



Class Attendance - From Friday 10th January until Thursday 16th January 2020

The class with the highest attendance each week will have a little in class treat from their teacher. **They will also receive a star for their door and the class with the most stars will win a prize at the end of term.** This will run from the previous Friday to the current Thursday. Let's see which class can get 100% attendance every week.

Sparrows - 98%

Skylarks - 90.36%

Swifts - 98.18% Well done Swifts! 😊

Swallows - 93.21%



Sparrows

This week we have been reading the story 'The Ugly Five' by Julia Donaldson, all about safari animals. We have written about safari animals and sequenced safari animals on a number line 1 - 20.



Skylarks

What a busy week we've had! In maths the children have worked very hard at understanding inverse operations and some have started to use this to solve missing number problems.



In English we wrote a report about the exciting event which happened last week - an alien crash landing! The aliens asked us to find out about the human body so we have named the body parts and linked them to our senses.

Some of our artwork this week has also been out of this world.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Ward 😊 and Mrs Rix 😊.

New Website

Please take a look at our new website, <http://www.ellinghamandwoodton.co.uk/> It is still under construction, but there is lots of information already uploaded.



Swifts

A warm welcome back to the new term.



Swifts began last week by making new year resolutions based around school and learning.

They also learnt all about growth mindset and how this can help us to learn successfully. In relation to this we enjoyed sorting fixed and growth mindset statements and changing them from fixed to growth mindset. We have also had fun learning about the functions of different areas of our brilliant brains by making brain hats and creating and labelling playdoh brains.

Swifts have also enthusiastically taken part in their first ukulele music lessons. In maths this week Swifts have been comparing and ordering positive and negative numbers and learning how to count backwards through zero. They have also considered negative numbers in the context of temperature, as well as looking at decimal numbers and their values.

During English Swifts have been reading and discussing a range of calligram poems. They also written and created some simple calligrams of their own using Word or Textease.

In topic work we have been looking at using latitude and longitude to locate various countries. We had a video call with a friend from Australia where we asked her lots of questions about the climate and animals in Australia.

Walking Bus

The walking bus has now resumed and runs every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. If you would like more information, please speak to the school office.



Swallows

Literacy

This week we have been reading and discussing environmental poetry. We have then written our own poems entitled 'I am the Earth' and based them on the 10 commandments. We have tried to include metaphors and use personification and powerful imagery.

Maths

This week we have been finding the perimeters and area of rectangles, triangles and composite shapes. We have discussed that shapes can have the same perimeter, but different areas, and vice-versa.



Out of School Achievement

A huge well done to Stanley, who on Sunday achieved his TREDs ball of the match at Beccles Rugby Club.

The TREDs award is for the players who show the following within a game;

Teamwork
Respect
Enjoyment
Discipline
Sportsmanship

As a reward, he gets to place his name on the ball.





'Plant to Plate' Promotion

The EDP are starting another promotion called 'Plant to plate'. If we collect more than a 1000 tokens we will receive a pack worth £130 which includes strawberry runners, pumpkin seeds, tomato planters, sunflower seeds, potato planters, herbs, a planting kit, compost, planting guides and recipe ideas.



The first tokens will appear Saturday 18th January, final token Friday 27th March. Tokens can be found in the Eastern Daily Press (two on Saturday), Norwich Evening News, North Norfolk News, Dereham Times, Fakenham Times, Beccles & Bungay Journal, Lowestoft Journal and Great Yarmouth Mercury.



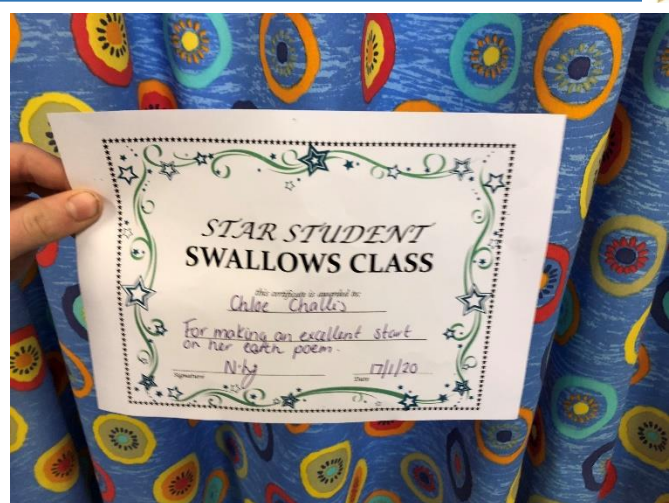
There is also a chance for three schools that collect the most tokens as an average of children registered at the school, to win a £1000 worth of equipment plus personal advice and guidance from Head Gardener Peter McDermott.

Please tell all your family and friends to help us collect tokens, many thanks.



Stars of the Week

Here are our 'Stars of the Week' for this week.



Maths Whizz

Well done to these children for making amazing progress in Maths Whizz.



Car Free Friday

As an eco school we try and encourage children to walk or cycle to school as much as possible. The walking bus now runs on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, which reduces the amount of cars parked around the school gates. Please try and make every Friday a car free day by walking or cycling to school. If you live outside the village, try and park further away and walk the last part.



Request for Items

Please can we have 2 litre bottles and any type of bottle tops. This will be an ongoing request so please bring any items into the school office, thank you.



Dates for the Diary

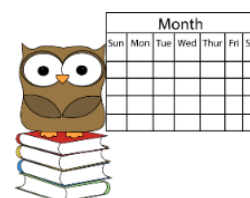
Tuesday 21st January - Year 3 & 4 Sportshall Athletics - Letters have gone home to those participating.

Friday 24th January 2020 - Year 2's 'Step on It' Road Safety.

Thursday 13th February - 2nd Round of the Girl's Football Tournament

Monday 17th to Friday 21st February - Half Term

Monday 24th February - Back to School



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