

Newsletter

Friday 16th March



Ellingham VC Primary School

Values for Life - Hope

The theme for next week is 'Bringing Hope to Others.'



Maths Whizz and Reading

We will continue to hand out certificates next week for both Maths Whizz and reading. Please continue to encourage your child to use Maths Whizz for a few minutes every day.



When you read with your child, please fill out their reading record and make sure it is in school every day.






Sparrows

This week was our last week looking at the safari theme. We focused on the story Handa's Surprise by Eileen Browne. In maths this week we solved subtraction problems using the tangerines in Handa's basket. Next week we will be setting up a Spring table for the children to investigate. If you could bring in any items to add such as cuddly lambs, plastic eggs or daffodils, we would really appreciate it, thank you! After Easter we will be starting phase 5 in phonics so I will arrange a date for a phase 5 phonics workshop for parents.



Skylarks

We have had fun this week working on a story about 'Man on the Moon'. We have included some role play and written some great book reviews. In maths we have worked hard at solving missing number problems and using inverse operations. The children have enjoyed designing their own rockets and we have begun to make some. Have a 'zooming'  weekend, Mrs Ward  and Mrs Sayer .



Swifts

Literacy

This week in English we have begun to write our Fables. We used the story of 'The Hare and the Tortoise' to plan our own stories using different animals. We then worked really hard on making the openings of our fables as detailed as possible.

On Tuesday (when Mr Elias was on a course) we made calligrams. These are where you write words and phrases into the shape of something. We used animal shapes to make ours.

Maths

In maths this week we have been working on time. We have practiced telling the time, converting between 12 and 24 hour clocks and have timed ourselves doing things and then comparing the amounts of time they took.



Swallows

Maths

We have been solving multi-step Problems involving time and measures and have read and interpreted timetables.

Literacy

Following our work on myths and legends we have started to write a 'Quest' story where the hero has to go on a long and difficult journey, during which there are many problems to be solved. So far we have planned 5 different settings to be visited, and have introduced our heroes.



Car Free Friday

A reminder that today is 'Car Free Friday'. Please try and walk to school, even if you park a little further away and walk the last bit of your journey.



Sports For Schools Tokens

A reminder that we are collecting tokens out of the local newspaper to be in with a chance of winning sports equipment. Please pop any tokens you have into the box in the school office, thank you.

Please also check carefully as the papers sometimes issue more than one voucher at a time, thank you.



Easter Bingo - Friday 23rd February

Next Friday is the PTA Easter Bingo. Please come along and join us for a fun evening with the chance of winning lots of prizes.

Doors open at 6.00pm for eyes down at 6.30pm.

There will be refreshments and snacks for donations and also raffle tickets on sale with the chance to win a hamper.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Times Tables Olympics

Well done to these children who have achieved the following levels in the Times Tables Olympics;

Otto Wathen & Maisie Lay - Gold
Dulcie King, Joshua Ford & Theo Roos - Silver

Phoebe Wakefield & Ruby Tipple- European

Joshua Napthine - Olympics 1



Art Exhibition

Don't forget that you can still purchase your child's picture from the art exhibition. We are holding all unsold pictures in the school office until Tuesday 27th March. You can pop in and purchase your child's picture for £8.50 (cash only please).



'Veggie Tub Tuesday'

Thank you to all of you who sent in vegetables for our 'Veggie Tub Tuesday' this week. The children thoroughly enjoyed their tubs at break time. A very big thank you to Jenny Napthine and Alison Wren, who came in to help prepare the vegetables. Without your support we wouldn't be able to run these events for the children.



Please remember to collect your tubs from the office if you haven't already had your returned, thank you.

Clothes Swap - Friday 23rd March

The Eco-rangers responsible for waste are organising another clothes swap on Friday 23rd March. Please see attached flyer for more information.



PTA Upcoming Events

On Monday 26th March the PTA are holding a decorated egg competition. If your child would like to enter, please bring in a decorated egg to the school hall that morning. The egg can be any kind, polystyrene, hard boiled, a paper picture, etc. Please make sure you have your name clearly underneath the egg.

There will be a prize of a £5 book token for each class.



There will also be an Easter Egg hunt on Monday 26th March for all the children.

Foxy Lodge

An amazing £104 was raised from the Foxy Lodge money boxes which some of the children made and then took home to fill up. Well done to Lilah and Jennifer for organising this fund raiser.



Eco Committee

Many thanks to Mrs Wren, Mrs Whyman, Mrs Gilliatt and Mrs Palmer who attended our Eco meeting on Thursday and provided valuable feedback.



Sharing Assembly - Tuesday 27th March - Swifts & Swallows

Please join us in the school hall at 2.30pm on Tuesday 27th March for the Swifts and Swallows sharing assembly. Parents and carers welcome.

After School Archery Club

The club starting next term for years 3 and 4 is now full. Parents of the children who have a place will have been informed by text message today.



New Village Sign

The parish council are having a small ceremony to celebrate the official opening of the village sign. This will be at 10am on Saturday 24th March. They are having the press attend and would love to have some of our children attend the opening.

Karate Stars



Well done to the children who passed their karate grading on the 4th of March at Wensum Sports Centre in Norwich. That is a fantastic achievement!

Solihull Approach

A reminder that the 'Understanding Your Child' course is still available free of charge. Please see the attached flyer.



You can create an account at www.inourplace.co.uk and use the coupon code **ELLINGWOODSEPT18** to get the course for free.

If you have any questions or concerns, you can catch Mrs Querelle in the mornings in the playground or pop into the office to make an appointment.

Easter Eggs

Thank you to those who gave eggs or made a donation today, it is much appreciated.



Dates for the Diary

New Date Friday 23rd March - Clothes Swap in the school hall at 3.15pm

Friday 23rd March - PTA Easter Bingo - **Doors open at 6.00pm - Eyes Down at 6.30pm**

Saturday 24th March - Village sign official opening at 10.00am

Monday 26th March - PTA decorate an egg competition in school hall and Easter Egg Hunt

Tuesday 27rd March - 14.30 - Swallows & Swifts sharing assembly

Tuesday 27th March - Last day to purchase your child's picture from the Art Exhibition

Wednesday 28th March - Banham Zoo Trip for Sparrows and Swifts

Wednesday 28th March - Easter Lunch - Skylarks & Swallows only - Deadline has now book your child a lunch that day.

Wednesday 28th March - Last Day of Term

Monday 16th April - Back to School



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Dear Parents, Carers and Grandparents,

We are delighted that your child's school have purchased access to our evidence based, accredited, interesting and informative online course all about children's emotional development and behaviour.

'Understanding your child' is for all parents and carers, you don't need to be experiencing any difficulties with your child. We hope you take advantage of this fantastic offer and enjoy the course.

If you would like to know more about the course or the team behind it please check out our websites www.inourplace.co.uk or www.solihullapproachparenting.co.uk.

Find out the Access Code from the school and redeem it at www.inourplace.co.uk before the expiry date for ongoing, life-time access.

For technical support please email solihull.approach-parenting@heartofengland.nhs.uk or ring us on 0121 296 4448.

Yours sincerely



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Solihull Approach Development Manager



What do parents say about the online course?

"The Solihull Approach course made it clear parents don't need lessons: daily life throws us enough of those. What we need is the space to step back and observe our children. We need some structured guidance to help us reflect on all the factors that make them behave the way they do; some developmental, some circumstantial."

"I have found the online course very useful. Now, I take time to think more during difficult situations and during arguments with my kids."

"It doesn't work all the time but bit by bit, we are working towards a less confrontational household!"

"The key to reducing "bad" behaviours is understanding your child as an individual and their emotional triggers and how you can work with them to manage them. Hooray! Thanks St Nicks... you've save me £40 and reassured me that I'm using the right approach 😊..."

"Loving the parenting online course, excellent!!!!"

NB The Solihull Approach is a not-for-profit organisation within the Heart of England NHS Trust. You will be asked to create an account at www.inourplace.co.uk in order to resume your place on the online course. The Solihull Approach may very occasionally email you about updates to the course. We will NOT pass your details on to any third party. This includes your child's school.

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SOME DATES FOR YOUR 2018 DIARY

Wed 16th May	Taverham Nursery Centre Tea or coffee and slice of cake inc		£15.00
Sunday 27th May	Duxford Air Festival 2018	Adult Child	£45.00 £20.00
Thursday 7 th June	Oulton Broad River Cruise & afternoon in Southwold (inc. complimentary tea or coffee on boat)		£20.00
Thursday 21 st June	Peter Beales Rose Garden plus Tea & Tour		£20.00
Staurday 23rd June	Ely Flower Festival (all day entry)		£28.00
Thursday 28 th June	Bure Valley Railway and River Cruise inc boat & train tickets)		£26.50
Sunday 1st July	Mystery Sunday Lunch & Excursion (other dates available)		£30.00
Sunday 15 th July	Duxford Flying Legends	Adult Senior	£46.00 £41.00
Thursday 19 th July	A morning in Wroxham plus afternoon cruise on the Southern Comfort Paddle Steamer Inc.a complimentary tea or coffee on boat)		£24.50
Wed 25 th July	Sandringham Flower Show		£30.00
Tuesday 27th Nov	Thursford Christmas Spectacular		£57.50
Sat 8th & Sun 9th Dec	Snape Maltings Christmas Show with the Co-op Juniors in 'The Nutcracker'	Best seats	£40.00
Wed 19th Dec	Thursford Christmas Spectacular		£53.50
Sat 22nd Dec	Thursford Christmas Spectacular		£52.50

Look out for other excursions on our website
www.grebecoaches.co.uk

If you would like to be included on our mailing list just call us on
 01502 677437 or email us grebecoaches@btconnect.com

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SOMETHING FOR THE KIDS THIS EASTER



Suffolk's Premium Indoor Play Centre
& Lazer Tag

Tuesday 10th April

Coach travel £9.00pp 4 yrs - adult

£3.00 under 3's (limited availability)

10 am – 3:30 pm session at venue

Refreshments available at venue***

Entry paid direct to **Play2Day**

Children £5.00 1-11yrs accompanying adults free

Small additional charge for Laser Tag

*Children must be accompanied by an adult

**Early Booking essential as this venue is extremely popular and
spaces are limited

***additional charge will apply

visit their website for more details www.play2day.biz Call for
more details

AN EXCELLENT FAMILY FUN DAY OUT



Friday 23rd March



CLOTHES

SWAP

**In the
School
Hall**



**Girls and
Boys clothing
aged
7-11**

*The Eco-rangers responsible for waste are organising
a clothing swap.*

**Please bring in items that are in
good clean condition ready for
swapping.**



Any leftover clothing will go into the school clothes recycling bank.

