

Newsletter

Friday 25th May



Ellingham VC Primary School

Walk to School Week

Well done to all of you who walked to school this week. Children who have received at least 3 stamps from the eco rangers will be getting their 'Walk to school' certificate.

We received 73 completed sheets back. Out of those, 39 walked to school every day and 34 walked to school on some of the days. These are fantastic results, well done.



Sparrows

Over the past two weeks, Sparrows have been looking at Jack and the Beanstalk as part of our Living and Growing theme. We have planted our own beans and written magic words to make them grow! In Maths we have looked at doubling single digit numbers using beans to help us. In literacy, we wrote a recount of part (or parts) of the story, using story language. We have also looked at different versions of the story, including one from the giant's perspective and another called 'Jasper's Beanstalk'. We hope you all have a lovely (and restful) half term.



Skylarks

A huge well done to all the Year 2s For completing the Secret Agent Tasks (What SATs?!!).

Year 1s in Maths have moved on finding their number bonds to 20 and counting groups of objects in 2s/5s and 10s.

We are continuing to have a 'wild time' grouping/sorting and classifying jungle animals in different ways.

Have a lovely half term break, Mrs Ward 😊 and Mrs Sayer 😊.



Swifts

This week Swifts class have been doing assessments. They have all worked very hard on these and done really well. They thoroughly deserve their half term break!!



Swallows

Swallows have been working hard this week doing assessments. They have also been doing some gardening and Ellen has been in class working with the children on the utopia project.



As part of our Eco work to gain the 'Green Flag' award, we need to write a School Eco Code. We have discussed this with the children and have asked them to have a go at writing one during half term. We suggested that the easiest way to do this would be an acrostic poem using the words Environment or Eco School.



Royal Norfolk Show

Please can you return your Royal Norfolk show permission slips and money by Friday 8th June.



Gardener's Exploration Club

The children who have been attending Mrs Sayer's gardening club have been enjoying planting cucumbers and peas. Thank you to the Year 5 and 6 helpers, Lilah, Tyler, Caitlyn, Cadence, Megan, Lola and Charlie.



Car Free Friday

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



Fruit & Cake Tubs & Plates

Any which are left in the office on Friday will be recycled, so if you have one to collect, please do so ASAP.



Archery for Year 5 & 6

We still have 3 spaces left on the after school archery club which starts after half term. If your child would like to do this, please hand in their permission slip ASAP.



Phone Lines

We are still experiencing problems with our phone line. We are working to get this resolved. In the meantime, please email the school office

office@ellingham.norfolk.sch.uk

In an emergency, please call Woodton on 01508 482294.

Craft Club

The children in craft club enjoyed making these glitter fish.



PTA Quiz and Cheese

Don't forget to get your tickets for the Quiz and Cheese night on Friday 8th June. **If you are thinking of coming but haven't yet bought your tickets, please see a member of the PTA ASAP. If no further interest is shown, the event may have to be cancelled.**



The PTA are in need of full bottles of wine and tombola prizes for the summer fete. If you can donate any of these items, please hand them to a member of the PTA or the school office, thank you.

Royal Wedding

On Friday we had a very special event happen in Sparrows class, our very own Royal wedding. The children all had roles and brought in special outfits to wear. Mrs Taylor conducted the ceremony and afterwards they cut their wedding cake and enjoyed an afternoon treat of scones, followed by a reception party. Thank you to all the parents who supplied or made outfits and a very big well done to the children for acting out their parts so beautifully.



Neurofibromatosis Fundraising Event - Thursday 24th May

A big thank you to all the children who brought in accessories yesterday for The staff to wear in return for a donation to the Neuro Foundation. We had an overwhelming response to this, with a fantastic variety of accessories brought in. As you can see by the photos, the staff looked amazing and the children thoroughly enjoyed seeing their teachers dressed up! Mrs Taylor would like to say a personal heartfelt thank you on behalf of her family for all of your donations. The money you have donated today will be very gratefully received by the Neuro Foundation and will go towards improving the lives of people with Neurofibromatosis. As there is no cure for NF1, any help in making life more bearable for those who have it is invaluable, and you have helped make that happen. Together with the donations from the children and the sale of cakes to the staff, over **£150** was raised altogether, which is amazing!



Minor Bumps to Head

We will now be sending out a text message rather than telephone if your child has a bump to the head. This is only to inform you to keep an eye on your child. If the injury is of a more serious nature or they are feeling unwell and need collecting, we will still telephone you.

It is therefore vital that you keep us up to date with any telephone changes.



Parent Helpers

We need parent helpers for the cycling course mentioned above. If you are free on **Wednesday 6th June** from 13.15 until 15.15 or **Wednesday 13th June** from 11.00 until 12.00 or from 13.15 until 15.15, please let the office know ASAP.

So far we only have 1 helper and we will have to cancel the course for safety reasons if we do not get any more helpers.



Dates for the Diary

Friday 25th May - Last day of this half term

Monday 4th June - Back to school

Wednesday 6th June - 1.15pm Y6 - on Road Cycling - **1 Parent Helper Needed**

New Date **Friday 8th June** - Mini Tennis for Y3 & 4 - Letters have gone out to those participating

Friday 8th June - PTA Quiz and Cheese night, 7.30pm, tickets £5

Wednesday 13th June - 11.00am & 1.15pm Y6 - on Road Cycling - **2 Parent Helpers Needed**

New Date **Thursday 21st June** - Y5 taster day at Bungay High

New Date **Thursday 21st June** - 2.15pm New parents meeting for September intake

New Date **Thursday 27th June** - Transition Afternoon

Thursday 28th June - Whole School Trip to the Royal Norfolk Show - Please return your reply slips

Friday 29th June - PTA Non uniform day in exchange for preloved (good, clean condition) teddy.

New Date **Tuesday 3rd July** - Transition Afternoon

Thursday 5th July - Sports Day

Saturday 7th July - Summer Fete - 2pm until 5pm - 'All the Fun at the Fair'

New Date **Wednesday 11th July** - Transition Afternoon

New Date **Thursday 12th July** - Summer Production pm performance

New Date **Friday 13th July** - Summer Production evening performance - Strictly no younger children

Tuesday 24th July - Last day of term



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