

Newsletter

Friday 12th October



Ellingham VC Primary School

Values for Life - Friendship

The theme for next week continues with 'Trusting our Friends'.



Class Updates

The classes this week have been very busy as it has been assessment week. The children have all been very busy rehearsing for our Harvest Festival next week, more details are below.

Harvest Festival - Tuesday 16th October - 2.30pm

We would like to invite all parents/carers to our Harvest Festival next Tuesday at 2.30pm. The children have been practising their songs and we would love to see you there to enjoy their hard work.

This year we will be supporting the 'Waveney Food Bank.' This charity is of a nationwide network of foodbanks, supported by The Trussell Trust, working to combat poverty and hunger across the UK. We would appreciate donations of food, please see list below of items requested by the charity;



Pasta Sauce
Sugar 500g
Coffee
Tinned Tomatoes
Long Life Fruit Juice
Custard Powder
Tinned Vegetables
Rice Pudding



They have said that they have plenty of beans, pasta and cereal. For more information, please visit their website <https://waveney.foodbank.org.uk/>

Please bring in your donations by end of day Monday 15th so that we can display them.

Veggie Tub Tuesday

Thank you to all who sent in vegetables this week, the children all enjoyed a healthy 'Veggie Tub' at break time.

A huge thank you to Georgina Hirst who came in to help chop the vegetables and make up the tubs. Without parents helpers, we would not be able to run these events for the children.



We still have tubs in the office, please pop into the office to collect them.

New Norse Menu

The new autumn/winter 2018/19 Norse menu has been sent home this week. Please remember to check it with your child and notify the office if your child requires anything different to what they normally have. Thank you.



Parents Evenings - Wednesday 31st October & Thursday 1st November

List will be going up in the office on Monday for parents evening slots. These slots are for 10 minutes so if you feel you will need more time, please arrange to see your child's class teacher at another convenient time.



Girls Football Tournament

A huge well done to our girls football teams. At the South Norfolk event, our Y3/4 team came 2nd overall, while our Y5/6 team won the event! The teams both played brilliantly. We look forward to the next round of the competition.



School Times

A reminder that the bell goes at 8.40am in the morning. All children should be on site at this time so that they can be registered and ready to start learning. Children who come in late, miss the start of lessons and cause disruption to the rest of the class. Children also need to be collected from school at 3.15pm. Staff frequently attend meetings after the school day and so cannot look after children who are waiting to be collected.



MSA Vacancy

Woodton Primary School are in need of a midday supervisor. If you would like further details, please ring Ms Bradley or Mrs Taylor in the Woodton school office on 01508 482294.



Walking Bus

The walking bus was very well supported again this week. This means that there are less cars around school and less pollution. It is also a healthy way to start the day. There are still some spaces on the walking bus. Please see the office if you would like your child to join.

The walking bus will be running every Wednesday, meeting at 8.15am in the Olive Tree Car Park. We will operate every week, unless there are adverse weather conditions.



Parking

Please park considerately and safely when dropping off and collecting your children. Being a rural school, we do not have the luxury of having parking facilities and we understand how busy it can get outside school.

Taken from highway code...Rule 243

DO NOT stop or park:

- near a school entrance
- opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space - Which we do not have.



Beccles and Bungay Journal First Class

Supplement

A photographer came in this week to photograph our new reception children. This photo will be published in the Beccles and Bungay Journal's 'First Class' supplement. This will be in the edition which comes out on Friday 2nd November.



Little Princess Trust

Well done to Amelia who had her hair cut off, in aid of the Little Princess Trust, this week in assembly. We think she is very brave and it was an amazing thing to do. She had 29 inches of hair cut off on total!!



For further information on the charity, please visit www.littleprincesses.org.uk

Paper Copies of Newsletter

Being an Eco school, we have decided that we will no longer be printing paper copies of our newsletter. We are keen to reduce the amount of paper we use, and also the printing costs. A copy of the newsletter is displayed on the school noticeboard as well as on the school's website and we will continue to email the newsletter to everyone.



Poppies

We will be selling poppies and wristbands on behalf of The Royal British Legion after half term. These will be in the school office, so please pop in if you wish to purchase anything. There will be an exhibition in Holy Trinity Church, Loddon from 18th October to 11th November, displaying 32 handmade wreaths, open to the public from 10am until 4pm.



Bring and Buy Sale - Tuesday 30th October

The eco rangers will be holding a 'Bring and Buy Sale' on Tuesday 30th October after school. Please bring in any toys, games and books which are in good, saleable condition. They are hoping to raise money for the Indonesia Tsunami Appeal.

£30 can buy an emergency shelter for 1 family
£50 could provide a family with food for one month

£100 could help build toilet and washing facilities for a family.

We hope to be able to raise as much money as possible, whilst helping you have a good sort out of things you no longer need.

BRING & BUY



Books For Schools

We are taking part in a promotion being run by the Archant group of newspapers. It will be a similar promotion to the Sports for Schools, whereby they will be issuing tokens which you can collect and hand in to school. Please ask your friends and families to help us collect the tokens. We could be in with the chance to win some books for our school. Thank you.



Fundraising for Bloodwise

A few members of staff are taking part in an inflatable 5k run this month to raise money for Bloodwise. If you would like to donate, please visit;

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/charlene-taylor13> Thank you.

Bloodwise
The blood cancer research charity



Woodland Logs

The children have been enjoying playing with our woodland logs, making tables for shops, balancing on them and being creative. We would love to have a few more so if you are able to donate any, the children would really appreciate it, thank you.

Out of School Achievements

Lucy Forward has just started working on his Stage 6 at Bungay Swimming Pool. This is fantastic Lucy, well done.



Well done to all the pupils who took part in their karate grading last Sunday. Here they are with their newly earned belts and certificates.



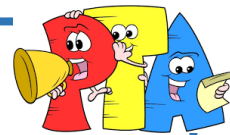
Maths Whizz Cup

This fortnight the cup has been won by Swallows class as they have had the best usage. Well done Swallows!



PTA News

The PTA have been very busy organising upcoming events. Please see the attached newsletter from them, as you can see they have got a lot of exciting things planned.



Can I remind you that the next PTA meeting is on Friday 2nd November, in the Artichoke, Broome at 7.30pm. If you would like to show your support, or you have any ideas, please come along. You will not be committed to helping out at every event. They also have their own Facebook page, which you can search for and ask to become a member of.

A reminder that we have a clothing bank in the car park. All proceeds from this go to the PTA and therefore get put back into the school, for the children.

Maths Whizz

Best Usage: Jaydon Nunley, Jamie Carter, Morgan Mulhearn, Ellause Ball, Charlie Lovick, Enola Ruffles, Finley Watson, Katie Page, Toby Bishop, Lilah Marsham, Olive Theobald and Hermione Shawcross.

Most Improved: Morgan Mulhearn, Jaydon Nunley, Malakai Garnham-Kirk, Rowan Walker, Ellause Ball, Enola Ruffles, William Curtis, Toby Bishop, Otto Wathen, Hermione Shawcross, Joshua Ford, Ben Spinks-Ives

Well done to all those children, another fantastic effort. Please keep up the good work.



Dates for the Diary

New Date Sunday 14th October - [Holy Communion at 11am at Ellingham Church](#)

Tuesday 16th October - 14.30 - Harvest Festival at School - Parents and carers welcome, please bring in your food donations by end of day Monday.

Thursday 18th October - Half Term

New Date Sunday 21th October - [Holy Communion at 11am at Kirby Cane Church](#)

New Date Sunday 28th October - [Morning Prayer at 10am at Ellingham Church](#)

Monday 29th October - Start of New Half Term

Monday 29th October - Y6 & YR Height & Weight checks with the School Nursing Team and YR Vision and Hearing screening

New Date Tuesday 30th October - Bring and Buy Sale after school

New Date Wednesday 31st October - PTA Decorate a pumpkin competition

Wednesday 31st October and Thursday 1st November - Parents Evenings - Time slots are going up in the office on Monday

New Date Friday 2nd November - Beccles and Bungay 'First Class' supplement published featuring our new reception children

New Date Friday 2nd November - PTA Cake stall after school - Donations of cakes are very much appreciated

New Date Friday 2nd November - PTA Meeting in the Artichoke, Broome 7.30pm, all welcome

New Date Monday 5th November - Year 6 Codebreaking at Hobart

New Date Thursday 8th November - Tempest School Photos - Younger Siblings Welcome

New Date Friday 9th November - Non Uniform Day - Bring in £1 towards chocolate tombola at Christmas Fair

New Date Friday 16th November - PTA Bingo

New Date Saturday 17th November - [A Special Evening of Songs, Music, Poetry & Readings to mark the century end of the First World War, at St. Mary's Church, Haddiscoe at 7pm. Free admission \(Donations welcome\) Food & refreshments provided](#)

New Date Friday 30th November - PTA Christmas Fair after school

New Date Friday 7th December - Nasal Flu Vaccination for years R to 5 - More details to follow

New Date Tuesday 18th December - PTA taking whole school to Fisher Theatre Pantomime

Wednesday 19th December - Christmas Holidays

Thursday 3rd January - First Day of the Spring term



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