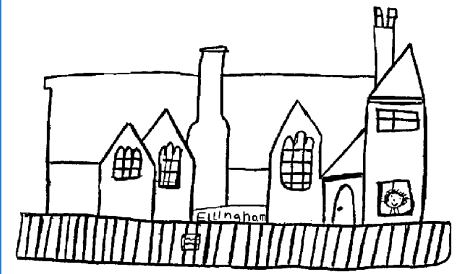


Newsletter

Friday 15th March



Ellingham VC Primary School



Values for Life - Forgiveness

The theme for next week is 'Forgive Us Our Sins
As We Forgive Those Who Sin Against Us.'



Sparrows

This week Sparrows have been continuing our theme of 'Our Local Area' by looking at local artist John Crome (1768-1821) who lived in Norwich and painting landscapes of places across Norfolk. We have looked at many of his works and looked on a map at where some of them were painted. We have also used watercolours to paint pictures in the style of Crome.



In literacy, Reception have looked at a Crome painting and written some descriptive sentences about it, while Y1 have written a description of one of Crome's works and then written a fact file about the artist.

In Maths, Y1 have been looking at money, using combinations of coins to make totals and then beginning to look at giving change.

Skylarks

This week in maths we have been learning about measuring length.



We have used standard units, learnt how to use rulers, metre sticks and tape measures. In English we have read the Tiny Seed and followed the journey of a seed through the seasons.

In art we have begun to study still life and tried out our own sketching skills. We studied Cezanne's paintings of fruit. Year 1s have really been engaged during forest schools and the adult leader commented on how responsive the group had been 😊. Year 2s will have their turn in the summer term. Have a good weekend, Mrs Ward 😊 and Mrs Rix 😊.

Swifts

This week Swifts have been learning how to write riddles, using similes, metaphors, personification and powerful adjectives.

Unfortunately, Mrs Bailey has been unwell. Nevertheless, Swifts class made her proud in their amazing sharing assembly. Thank you to everyone that came to support us!



Swallows

English

This week we have been writing Newspapers based on Fairy Tales and Nursery Rhymes. We have written reports including journalistic language and eyewitness reports and tried to include other features such as 'Lost and Found', job vacancies, property for sale, sport reports and letters to an agony aunt.

Maths

We have been estimating and measuring angles, using a protractor. We have also calculated missing angles on a straight line, around a point and in triangles and quadrilaterals, Year 6 have worked hard during SATS practise papers.

Special Commendation

This week our special commendation goes to Dulcie for being such an excellent, helpful, and encouraging math's buddy.



Class Attendance

We will be putting the class attendance for each week on the newsletter from now on. The class with the highest attendance each week will have a little in class treat from their teacher. This will run from the previous Friday to the current Thursday. Let's see which class can get 100% attendance every week.

Sparrows - 94.45 %

Skylarks - 96.44 %

Swifts - 95.98 %

Swallows - 96.88 % Well done Swallows 😊



Eco Committee

Please can all children on the eco committee make sure they are wearing their badges and wristbands on Thursday, as we have the Eco Schools people coming in to see us. If you have lost your badge or wristband, please see Mrs Long.



Veggie Tub Tuesday - 19th March

Don't forget it's veggie tub Tuesday next week. Please can you donate a vegetable (already prepared, if possible), so that the children can enjoy a tub of veggies at break time. **If you can volunteer to help prepare the vegetables, please speak to the school office, thank you.**



Ellingham School Choir

A huge well done to the children in the choir, who performed at the Norfolk Music Festival at St Andrew's Hall this week. They all looked very smart and they performed exceptionally well. We had really good feedback from the adjudicators and all the children really enjoyed showing off all their hard work. We are extremely proud of them all, and we would also like to say thanks to Mrs Wells and Mr Collins for all their time and effort.



Eco Rangers

The Eco Rangers responsible for Global Citizenship would like to hold a DVD sale to raise funds for Victor's sponsorship.

The sale will take place after school on Thursday 28th March. Please bring any unwanted DVDs into the school office before this date, thank you. Please note, family friendly DVDs only please.

We have an eco board in the school corridor which has an eco suggestion section. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions, please do come in and add them to our board.



Walking Bus

The walking bus runs every Wednesday, meeting at 8.15am in the Olive Tree Car Park. We will operate every week, unless there are adverse weather conditions, in which case, a message via the Whatsapp group will be sent out.



Dunwich Beach Clean Up - Saturday 30th March 2019

The Eco Rangers would like to help keep our beaches clean and so have decided to do a beach clean up at Dunwich Beach. Please come along on Saturday 30th March at 10.30am and join in. You are welcome to bring family, friends and even your dogs. Just come along wearing suitable clothing and please bring a bag to put your rubbish in. Please note that all children must be supervised and have an adult with them at all times. It would be lovely to see as many people there as possible.



PTA News

Our lovely PTA ladies have been busy organising events for the children. Please see below for some exciting things coming up.

Friday 29th March - Non uniform day in exchange for a boxed Easter Egg. These will be used for prizes at the Easter Bingo.



Craft afternoon to make Mother's/Nannie's/Carer's gifts for the children to bring home and give as gifts. The PTA are asking for a £1 contribution towards materials please.

Thursday 4th April - Decorate an egg competition. Children are invited to decorate any type of egg, with any decorations for the chance to win a yummy prize. Please bring your decorated eggs into the school hall first thing in the morning and place them on the tables marked with your year group. Winners will be announced during assembly on the following morning.



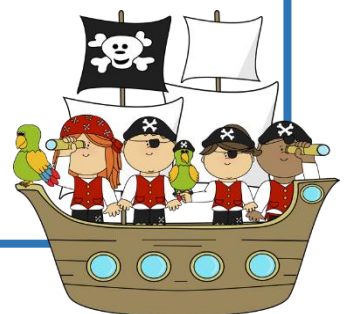
Friday 5th April - The PTA are organising a spring scamper for all of the children. Easter Cake sale - donations welcome into the office or to the PTA. They will be selling lots of yummy creations after school. Easter Bingo - This event is usually very popular so please arrive early to get a good seat. Doors open at 6pm for eyes down at 6.30pm.



Friday May 17th - Non uniform day in exchange for an unwanted teddy which will be used for a tombola at the Summer Fete.

Saturday 6th July - 12noon - 3pm. Aaarr Shipmates! The theme for the summer fair this year is pirates! We are hoping to have alpaca's, an ambulance, a fancy dress competition, an amazing raffle, live music, a BBQ, a bar and lots of fun games to win some lovely prizes.

Friday 19th July - End of year celebrations - a party in the park for Reception and years 1 and 2, and a leavers party in the evening for Years 3,4,5 and 6. More details to follow.....



Stay and Share Sessions - Thursday 21st March

Please come and join us for stay and share sessions in the classrooms at 2pm next Thursday. All parents and carers are welcome to come along and join in our activities. These will be taking place in the classrooms.

