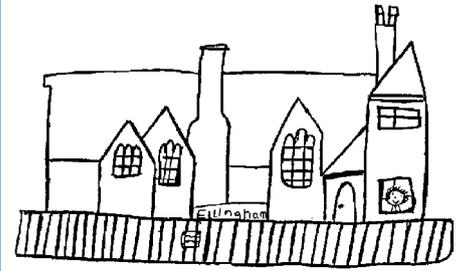


Newsletter

Friday 22nd March



Ellingham VC Primary School



Values for Life - Forgiveness

The theme for next week is 'The Cross - Symbol of Forgiveness.'



Sparrows

This week Sparrows have continued the 'Our Local Area' theme. Year 1s have compared our school and our local church, as well as looking at the materials used in a church and their properties.



In maths, reception children have played an addition and subtraction game using a bus, while Year 1s have completed missing number sentences and played a loop card game.

The children also really enjoyed our 'Stay and Share' afternoon based on the Julia Donaldson book 'What the Ladybird Heard.' Thank you all for coming.

Skylarks

This week we have been looking at what plants need to grow best and the life cycle of a seed. The children have been finding out what happens during the different seasons.



In maths the year 2s have started their 'Special Agent Training' (SATs) practice, looking firstly at revising our arithmetic skills. Year 1s have been practising their + and - calculation skills and investigating number.

Reminder to all to bring in the completed slips for next week's visit to Maisebrooke Farm. See you all next week, Mrs Ward 😊 and Mrs Rix 😊.

Swifts

This week in English Swifts have been learning about the purposes and features of diary writing. We have also been learning to recognise and use time conjunctions.



During maths we learnt about multiplication and division facts. Year 3 focused on the 4, 8 and 3 times tables. Year 4 recalled and used multiplication and division facts for all tables up to 12 times 12. Swifts also enjoyed continuing to learn about The Stone Age. They considered and learnt about the importance of archaeology to enable us to learn about different historical eras and took part in a classroom archaeological dig. We are all looking forward to our Stone Age themed class trip to the Time and Tide Museum. We all very much enjoyed Swifts stay and share afternoon and produced some beautiful stained glass windows representing the Christian symbols of Easter and springtime. Well done Swifts! Thank you to those who were able to attend.

Swallows

This has been a very busy week! The children have worked really hard and were a credit to the school during our 'Green Flag' Eco inspection. The appraiser was amazed by their depth of knowledge and enthusiasm. We have now been awarded the Green Flag which we will be flying high to celebrate all our achievements!



We also had a lovely afternoon during our 'Stay and Share' session where the children all worked on practical activities to learn about ratio and proportion. It was lovely to see so many parents joining in. In literacy the children have planned and written adverts based on Fairy Tales and Nursery Rhymes, including product names, slogans, puns and quotes from satisfied customers.

Veggie Tub Tuesday - 19th March

Thank you to everyone who donated vegetables for our 'Veggie Tub Tuesday.' The children all really enjoyed their veggie tubs at break time. A huge thank you to our parent helpers, Georgina Hirst, Helen Munslow and Jenny Napthine. We really appreciate your help and couldn't run these events without your support.



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 - 99.38 % Well done Sparrows 😊

Skylarks - 96.8 %

Swifts - 99.33 %

Swallows - 96.45 %



Maths Whizz

Amazing Usage: Isabelle McDonald, Lilah Marsham, Rosie Mower, Katie Page, Finley Watson, Holly Beveridge, Ellause Ball, Oliver Pickering, Florence Vass, and Morgan Mulhearn.

Most Improved: Lola Vass, Dexter Burlingham, Isabelle McDonald, Rosie Hirst, Holly Beveridge, Annabella Rackham, Lilly Newman, Jacob Bishop, Oliver Pickering and Morgan Mulhearn.

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



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.

Due to the popularity of the walking bus, we would like to increase it to two days a week from September. We are thinking of running it on a Tuesday or a Thursday as well as a Wednesday. Please can you see the office to put your name down if you are interested so that we can see if the interest is there.

Please note that for those who live outside of the village, the owners of The Olive Tree have said that it is ok to use their car park as a safe dropping off point.



Packed Lunches

We now have a trolley for the children who have home packed lunches. The trolley will be outside the hall every morning. Please can the children put their packed lunch boxes onto the trolley when they come into the playground in the morning. The trolley will be back outside at the end of the school day. Children can collect their lunchboxes at home time. Thank you.



School Tortoises

Barry and Joan are safely out of hibernation and are eating well. They will be returning to school in a few weeks, once the weather has warmed up.



Stay and Share Session

Thanks you to all of those who were able to make it to our 'Stay and Share' sessions yesterday. It was fantastic to see so many of you join in with our activities. The children all had a lovely afternoon.



NEW TOKEN BONANZA DATES RELEASED

Firstly, thank you for supporting our campaign, Lego Education. Due to the fantastic response, we have decided to release the bonanza dates for the next few weeks. We want to help each participating school reach 1,000 tokens to receive their £50 worth of Lego. These bonanza dates will also prove extremely valuable when competing for the overall prize of the top three schools (as a ratio to registered pupils) who will win £1,000 worth each.

10 additional tokens will be printed in the **Eastern Daily Press** and **Norwich Evening News** on:

March	April
Saturday 16 th Tuesday 26 th Saturday 30 th	Tuesday 2 nd Saturday 6 th Tuesday 9 th Thursday 11 th Saturday 13 th Tuesday 16 th Thursday 18 th Saturday 20 th Monday 22 nd

Also in the following titles **Great Yarmouth Mercury, Lowestoft Journal, Beccles & Bungay Journal, North Norfolk News and Dereham & Fakenham Times.**

Week Commencing	Week Commencing
March 18 th March 25 th	April 1 st April 8 th April 15 th

Maths Whizz Cup

This fortnight the cup has been won by Skylarks class! We had some amazing progress by Skylarks this fortnight, well done! Let's see who will win it next fortnight.



Mother's Day Messages

The children have been busy writing messages for the Mum's/Grandma's/Nanny's/Carers. These will be featured in a supplement in the Beccles and Bungay Journal on Friday 29th March.



School Dinners

The school kitchen have asked if orders for the week can be made on a Monday please. They can't guarantee that they can supply dinners for later in the week if they have not been ordered on a Monday, thank you.



Easter Lunch - Thursday 4th April

Please return your forms by Tuesday 26th March if your child would like an Easter lunch. We cannot order any dinners after this date, so please make sure you return your form ASAP.



Dates for the Diary

New Date Thursday 28th March - Skylarks Trip to Maisebrooke Farm - Please return your permission slips ASAP.

New Date Thursday 28th March - Year 3 and 4 Tennis Tournament at Easton College - Letters have gone out to those participating,

Thursday 28th March - Norwich and Norfolk Eco Awards Ceremony

Thursday 28th March - Eco Rangers DVD Sale after school

Friday 29th March - PTA Craft afternoon for Mother's Day gifts, £1 donation requested

Friday 29th March - PTA Non Uniform Day in exchange for a boxed Easter Egg

Saturday 30th March - 10.30 Dunwich Beach Clean, organised by the Eco Rangers

Monday 1st April - Swifts Class Trip to the Time and Tide Museum

Thursday 4th April - Decorated Eggs to be judged. Spring Scamper for the children

New Date Thursday 4th April - Norse Special Easter Lunch

Friday 5th April - PTA Easter Bingo. Doors open at 6pm for eyes down at 6.30pm

Friday 5th April - PTA Easter Cake Sale - Donations gratefully received

Friday 5th April - Last Day of Term

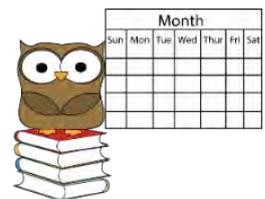
Tuesday 23rd April - First Day of the Summer Term

Friday 17th May - Non uniform day in exchange for an unwanted teddy

Saturday 6th July - Pirate themed Summer Fete 12noon - 3pm

Friday 19th July - End of year celebrations, Party in the Park for Reception and KS1, 6pm - 8pm
KS2 Disco.

Wednesday 24th July - Last Day of Term



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For children &
young people



EASTER TREATS WORKSHOP

Join us this Easter holiday for some delicious springtime fun in the kitchen.

We'll be making 3 Eastery recipes to take home and a drink to have in the class.

It'll be hands on and very chocolaty!

£22 per child

Including all ingredients, packaging & wipe down recipe cards

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**5-11
year
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When:

**Tuesday 16th April
10:30am-12:30pm**

Where:

**Cringleford
Primary School
Norwich,
NR4 7JR**