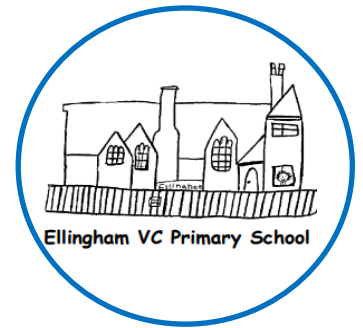


Newsletter

Friday 14th June



Values for Life - Thankfulness

The theme for next week is 'Count Your Blessings.'



Sparrows

This week in Sparrows we have continued our 'Singing Mermaid' focus as part of our 'The Sea' topic. The children in Year 1 have planned and written a story based on a mermaid, while the reception children have thought about words and phrases to describe the main characters in the story. In maths, the children in Reception have been looking at coins and adding small amounts of 1p, 2p and 5p coins. The Year 1 children have been finding the total amount using coins up to 50p. They have also looked at half turns and quarter turns. A big well done to our Year 1 children this week as they all did so well in their phonics screening test.



Skylarks

Ahoy there! Thanks to all for helping the children dress up for 'Pirate Day.' We went on a desert island journey and then got marooned (for wearing our beard's longer than the captain's)! We have also been writing our messages in a bottle. In maths we have continued our work on place value and compared numbers using the < and > symbols. The children have been producing some great artwork including pirate ship collages and our own (tea stained) treasure maps!! Har...har.....



Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Ward 😊 and Mrs Rix 😊.

Swifts

During maths this week



Swifts have been

learning about capacity and volume. Year 3 have been exploring, estimating and measuring the capacity of different containers. Year 4 have been converting between different units of measurement. Swifts have some homework to complete in relation to this.

In English Swifts have worked hard to plan and begin writing a recount about our wonderful Roman and Iceni day at Norwich Castle Museum. We have focused on writing in the past tense, using pronouns, using time connectives as fronted adverbials and paragraphs.

Mrs Bailey, Mrs Sayer and Mrs Wren are extremely proud of the children in Swifts who celebrated passing their 'Going For Gold' spellings this week and received a badge. Well done! Thank you for your ongoing support in ensuring that Swifts continue completing their weekly homework of spellings, spelling word search, Times Tables Olympics and Maths Whizz (aiming to make four progressions). Please continue to read with your child at least 3 times a week and record it in their reading record book.

Swallows

Literacy

We have been writing letters from evacuees to their parents and then the reply, referring back to content in the original letter. We have tried to include thoughts and feelings as well as events, and have ensured that we have used cohesive devices to make our work flow.

Maths

This week we have been learning algebra; writing algebraic expressions and solving missing number equations. We have used algebraic formulae to solve word and number problems.



'Fruit Kebab Friday' - 5th July

Due to the popularity of our 'Fruit Kebab Fridays' we will be having our next one on Friday 5th July. Please can the children bring in a piece of fruit, already prepared, if possible. We need parent helpers to prepare the fruit kebabs so please let the office know if you are available to help. The children will all get to enjoy a fruit kebab at break time.



Beccles and Bungay 'Top Class' Photo

The Beccles and Bungay Journal feature leavers photos in their top class supplement. This will be in the edition which is published on Friday 28th June, so make sure you get a copy.

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Dots & Squiggles

One of our parents, Emma Ruthven, has asked us to pass on information regarding a new music venture aimed at children aged between 3 and 7. Dots & Squiggles is the fun of a group sing-along session, combined with the high achievement of private piano tuition. They are currently based in the Great Yarmouth area, but are expanding to cover this area. For more information please see their website

<http://www.dotsandsquiggles.com/>.



PTA Ice Lollies for Sale

The PTA will be selling ice lollies after school on a Friday this week. They will be 50p, so don't forget to bring in some change.



Non Uniform Day - Friday 21st June

The PTA have organised a non uniform day for next Friday. Please bring in £1 to go towards sweets for the tombola at the summer fete, thank you.



Raffle Tickets for the Summer Fete

Raffle tickets will be coming home today. They are £1 per ticket and £5 for a book. We have some great prizes, raffle will be drawn at the summer fete. Please return sold ticket stubs, money and unsold tickets to the office or one of the PTA ladies.

Walking Bus

Due to the popularity of the walking bus, it now runs on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Please can you see the office to put your name down if you want your child to be included.

The walking bus meets 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.

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. Please do drive into the car park slowly and carefully as there are lots of children moving around. Please also refrain from using the carpark to turn around. Pulling in slowly to drop off is fine, but please then continue to drive on.

We are extremely grateful to Rafe and Gail at The Olive Tree for supporting the walking bus and allowing us to use their car park as a starting point.



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 - 95.56%

Skylarks - 91.92%

Swifts - 96.33%

Swallows - 97.33% Well done Swallows! 😊



Before & After School

A reminder that children should not be on the play equipment before or after school. This equipment is for the children to enjoy within school time.

It has also been reported that children have been standing on the yellow salt container at pick up. Please do keep an eye on your children at collection times as we do not want anyone to get hurt, thank you.

Important Notice

Facebook

We have set up our own Facebook page, which you can find at <https://www.facebook.com/Ellingham-VC-Primary-School-2415730645337825>

Please like our page and follow it as we will soon start to put on useful information.



Dates for the Diary

New Date Thursday 20th June - Year 5 Taster Day at Bungay High - Parents to transport

Friday 21st June - Non Uniform Day in exchange for £1 for PTA Sweet Tombola

Friday 21st June - 8pm - 10pm - Talk in Village Hall by Brian Heard - See PTA for tickets, £5 each.

New Date Monday 24th June - 15.45/17.30 Rounders Tournament for Y5/6 at Hobart High School - Letters are coming home to those children taking part - Parents to transport

Wednesday 26th June until Friday 28th June - Swallows at Hilltop Residential

Thursday 27th June - Whole School Trip (Except Swallows) to Royal Norfolk Show

Friday 28th June - 09.00 - New Parents Meeting for September 2019 Intake

New Date - Monday 1st July - Year 5 Languages day at Hobart High School

Thursday 4th July - Transition Afternoon

New Date - Friday 5th July - Skylarks Time & Tide Museum Trip - Letters are coming home today - Please dress up as pirates!

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

Monday 8th July - Transition Afternoon

Thursday 11th July - Summer Production Afternoon Performance

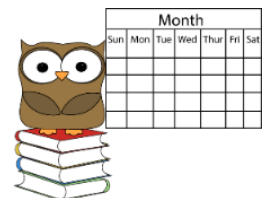
Friday 12th July - Summer Production Evening Performance

Wednesday 17th July - Transition Afternoon

Thursday 18th July - Sports Day - Parents are invited in from 1.30pm

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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