



Elmbridge Primary School Newsletter 18th October 2024

Dear Parents & Carers

Thank you for supporting our school community with 'Hello Yellow' day last Friday and the 'Show the Red Card to Racism' event today. Both events are very much part of what drives our whole school curriculum as outlined in the following curriculum intent statements:

*Staff and pupils will know how to look after their physical and mental health.
Staff and pupils will show respect, tolerance and compassion for each other.*

I am very proud to be part of such a diverse and multi-cultural school where different cultures, ethnicities and faiths are celebrated.

Recognising Effort

You may be aware that we reward children with a 'Star of the Day' award (infants) and 'Star of the Week' certificates (KS1 and KS2). When a child achieves a 'Star of the Week' certificate, they also enjoy the benefits of sitting 'in pride of place' in the hall during assemblies; they even have their own 'Star of the Week' cushion to sit on throughout the week.

In addition to this, we will continue to present awards for the children's 'outstanding effort' at the end of each half term. One child from each class will receive a teddy bear (infants) and a mug (juniors) as well as a certificate for working so hard. The class teachers will write a piece about why these children have received the award which will be read out in assembly next Friday and included in next week's newsletter.

Have a lovely weekend!

Best wishes

Glen Tharia—Head Teacher

Getting to school on time

Missing 10 minutes due to being late every day is the same as 50 minutes of lost learning each week - this is the equivalent of a lesson! Over a term this adds up to a lot of missed opportunities. If your child arrives late for school, please ensure you sign them in at the Hub and give the office staff the reason for why they are late.

Online Safety

BBC Panorama have produced an episode about young people's use of mobile phones. It is definitely worth a watch to see how young people react to not having technology for a week! <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m0022n0f/panorama-can-we-live-without-our-phones>

Attendance

Our attendance this term is currently

96.58%

Remember:

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!

Year 1 Trip to Holy Trinity Church

On the 7th of October, the Year 1 children went to visit Holy Trinity church in Longlevens. Beautiful sunshine greeted them and the children spotted lots of church features outside the church. Inside with Reverend Rachel we counted the crosses, saw the font, organ and alter.

It was lovely for the children to experience the church first hand and they will be able to refer back to this visit during their religion and worldviews lessons.



Table Tennis Tournament

A selection of year 6 children had a wonderful time at the table tennis tournament at Upton St Leonard's Primary School.

They played lots of games against other local schools and enjoyed developing their skills! Well done!

Miss Bell



Harvest Festival Donations

On behalf of the Gloucester Food Bank can we say an enormous 'thank you' for the generous donations of food you have made. On Monday, in assembly, the children heard how their food donations will be used and the difference they will make to local families. The last day to bring in any food donations is **Monday 21st October**.



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My Happy Mind

Have you seen the MyHappyMind parent app? We are using MyHappyMind in school with your children to support their wellbeing and developing skills and habits to be their very best selves.

To further embed this learning, myHappyMind has developed a Parent App. These resources can be accessed online on your computer, or through an app on your phone. The Parent App will support you as a parent in understanding what your child is learning, activities for you to do together at home and also a Kids Zone featuring myHappyMind Games plus much more!

To access these materials just go to <https://myhappymind.org/parent-resources> to create your free account. You will need to enter your name, email, and authentication code. Your authentication code is **115487**.

Once you have created your account, you will receive an email with the next steps on downloading the app. We really encourage you to make use of this free content so that you can support your child in getting the best out of the curriculum.

Panathlon Ten Pin Bowling

Well Done to Eliza , Olivia , Amelia , Megan , Molly and Meggy, who took part in a schools' Ten Pin Bowling event this week at Gloucester Ten Pin. We were so proud of the school team and they represented our school so well. Special thank you to Mrs Faulks and Mrs Fyfe for helping to support this event.



PTFA Fireworks Display—Thursday 7th November

Our annual PTFA fireworks display will take place on Thursday 7th November. Gates open at 5:30pm and the fireworks display starts at 7pm. There will be funfair rides, music by DJ Rossy, glow items and hotdogs for sale, and more!

We will also be opening a 'quiet area' in a classroom where you can watch but also have the loud bangs muffled by the windows.

Tickets:

Tickets are £5 each and are available to buy on ParentPay or from the School Hub. **We have an early bird offer running until 24th October - you can purchase a family ticket (up to 5 people) for £16!** Entry is free for children aged 3 and under.

Under 16s must be accompanied by an adult. No sparklers are allowed.

We hope to see as many people as possible there for a fantastic evening!



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Letters sent home

07/10—Year 4 Activities Letter

08/10—Project to improve our Reception play area

10/10—Year 4 Pantomime

14/10—Reminder: secondary schools application deadline

16/10—Reception 'sponsored dance' on Thursday 24th October

17/10—Vacancies for 2 Midday Supervisors

Diary Dates

Friday 25th October	End of Term 1
Monday 28th October—Friday 1st November	School Holiday
Monday 4th November	INSET DAY—no pupils
Tuesday 5th November	Start of Term
Thursday 7th November	Reception Family Tree Event 9am
Thursday 7th November	PTA Firework Display (5-7pm)
Monday 11th to Friday 22nd November	Anti-Bullying and Equalities fortnight
w/c 11th November	Parent Consultations (My Plan pupils)
Wednesday 13th November	Prospective Parent Tour for 2025 Intake 9.30am
Thursday 14th November	Reception Family Tree Event 9am
Friday 15th November	Children in Need Charity Day
Tuesday 19th November	Parents' Evening (except My Plan pupils)
Wednesday 20th November	Parents' Evening (except My Plan pupils)
Wednesday 20th November	Prospective Parent Tour for 2025 Intake 9.30am
Friday 22nd November	Year 5 Trip to Black Country Living Museum
Wednesday 27th November	Prospective Parent Tour for 2025 Intake 9.30am
Thursday 28th November	Year 6 Trip to Swindon STEAM Museum
Saturday 30th November	PTFA Christmas Fayre—Junior Site (12-3pm)

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