



# Elmbridge Primary School

## Newsletter

### 19th May 2023

Dear Parents & Carers

I would like to thank the PTA and school staff for preparing breakfast for all our Year 6 children during their SATs week. I know the pupils really appreciated this. Well done to the Year 6 pupils for completing their SATs assessments. I would also like to thank all the staff and parent helpers who went on the Year 5 day trips to South Cerney last week and those that went on the Year 6 residential to the Isle of Wight this week. I know they all had a wonderful time.

We have also planned an exciting day on Wednesday 24th May when all the children and staff will enjoy being outside to take part in our annual 'Green Day'. Thank you Mrs Wiggins for organising this annual event.

Finally, I am delighted to announce that Mrs Barthorpe and Miss Marsh have now been appointed as permanent members of the team. Mrs Bourne-Clague and Mrs Cox will start their maternity leave after the half term break. As stated in a separate letter, Mr Thomas and Mrs Pearce will cover class 17 and Miss Bell will cover class 11 (Thursdays and Fridays) for term 6.

From September, we have appointed Mr Joshua Reid and Ms Richards to cover the maternity posts. Both teachers have a wealth of experience and look forward to working with them for the next academic year.

Have a lovely weekend in the sunshine.

Best wishes

Glen Tharia—Head Teacher

### Online Safety

Do your children use Snapchat? How familiar with Snapchat are you? Does your child communicate with people they know or are they communicating with strangers?

On our website we have some useful leaflets about different apps the children are using. Click [here](#) to view the Snapchat one or [here](#) to view an information webpage about Snapchat.

### Attendance

Our attendance this term is currently  
95.2%

Well done everyone! Remember:



**EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!**

### Mobile phones in school

Mobile phones are **not** permitted in school.

If your child does bring their phone to school, they need to switch it off and hand it into the Hub **before** they go into school and pick it up from the Hub after school has finished.

## Girls' Football Tournament

On a wet Wednesday at Oxtalls Sports Park, the Year 3 girls played in a five-a-side tournament. Their first game was a hard fought draw against Dinglewell with Elmbridge taking the lead and Dinglewell getting a late equalizer. The second game was a 2-1 win against Churchdown in which all the girls showed some great determination and defending skills.

In the third game against a strong Longlevens team, we were beaten, but kept going until the very end. We won the last game against Finlay 3-0! Every child that went was a great role model for Elmbridge and showed great teamwork.

Well done to Darla, Jasmine Y, Hadleigh-Rae, Elsie, Hannah, Jasmine K and Amelia.

Girl of the match: Elsie.

Thank you to the parents for their support.

## Panathlon

Our children enjoyed a fabulous morning at Oxtalls Arena on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May taking part in the Gloucester Primary Schools' festival of sport. We were really proud of how well the children participated together as a team. Well done everybody!



## Cheerleading Competition

A huge thank you and well done to the students involved in this year's Cheer in Schools. Elmbridge did brilliantly, coming in 3rd place!!



## Mountain Biking Competition

Congratulations to all the pupils who took part in the mountain bike event hosted by Norton Primary School - what a fantastic experience!

From the nail-biting two-lap individual time trials, through the neck and neck team relay races and topped off with the enthusiastic teachers' sprint finals - a good time was had by all.

### Results:

Girls individual time trial race: Mina—3rd place, Olivia—6th place (out of 15)

Boys individual time trial race: Joseph — 7th place, Jack 10th place (out of 16)

Team Trial Relay Race: Elmbridge came a very close second place!

## King Charles III Portrait Winners

Thank you to all the children who entered the King Charles III portrait competition. We had so many fantastic entries!

	First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Years 1 & 2	Alex H	Ethan N	Beatrice T
Years 3 & 4	Emily E	Amira S	Neetie C
Years 5 & 6	Keziah G	Millie M	Elsa O

### Dogs at the school gate

Please may we remind you that dogs are **not** allowed into the school property, including just inside the school gates.

It is very important that all exits are kept clear at the start and end of the school day as these are extremely busy times.

Due to the high volume of both people and vehicles at these times, we would advise avoiding bringing your dog if possible.

### Air up water bottles

Please encourage your child to bring in a simple water bottle (preferably with a sports lid) rather than an air up one.

I am sure that you appreciate that as well as being rather expensive, they are causing some issues, particularly in KS2 (e.g. swapping components and sniffing the scented rings).

We don't want any to get broken or go missing.

Thank you for your cooperation.

### PTA Disco

Thanks to everyone that attended the disco! The kids loved it and we had some great feedback! Thanks to DJ Rossy for the music and bubbles.

We raised an amazing total of:



### PTA AGM—Tuesday 13th June 6.30pm

As is customary, all PTA committee have to stand down from their position and if they wish to stand again, they have to nominate and be voted on. There are 3 officer positions: Chair, Treasurer and Secretary, plus 5 ordinary committee member positions. We also have to have at least 20 people attend the AGM to vote, otherwise we would not get enough votes and would then have to call an EGM, otherwise the PTA would fold.

If you are interested in applying or attending, please contact the PTA: [elmbridgeprimaryschool@yahoo.com](mailto:elmbridgeprimaryschool@yahoo.com)

## Letters sent home

10/5—Y6 Leavers' Hoodies

10/5—Green Day

10/5—Y5 Bikeability

10/5—Y4 Science Festival Reminder

12/5—Y4 Outing—E-safety Play

15/5—Y4 visits to Churchdown School Academy

## Diary Dates

Monday 22nd May	Charity Assembly Launch
Wednesday 24th May	Green Day—Whole School
<b>Monday 29th May—Friday 2nd June</b>	<b>School Holidays</b>
Monday 5th June	Start of Term 6
Tuesday 7th June	Charity Presentation Assembly
W/C Monday 12th June	Year 5 Bikeability Week
Tuesday 13th June	PTA AGM (TBC)
Tuesday 13th June	New Reception Parents' Information Evening
Tuesday 20th June	Year 2-4 Sports Morning (includes parents) - school Field 9.30 - 12pm
Wednesday 21st June	Reception - Year 1 Sports Morning (includes parents) - School Field 9.30 - 12pm
Thursday 22nd June	Year 5 & 6 Sports Morning (includes parents) - School Field 9.30 - 12pm
Wednesday 28th June	Year 2 Production—Junior Hall 2.00pm
Thursday 29th June	Year 2 Production—Junior Hall 9.30am
Tuesday 27th June	Stay & Play Session for new Reception pupils 9.15—10.15am
Wednesday 28th June	Stay & Play Session for new Reception pupils 9.15—10.15am
Thursday 29th June	Stay & Play Session for new Reception pupils 9.15—10.15am
Monday 3rd July	Reception—Yr. 5 Reports home to parents
Wednesday 12th July	Yr. 6 reports home to parents

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