

Ellwood School News



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Weekly Attendance

Well done to Willow Class for having the highest attendance **this week**.

There is a link between attainment and progress, so the more the children are in school, the more they will succeed.

100 % is our aim.

Thank you for your support.

Oak	91.3%
Chestnut	87.1%
Beech	82.8%
Sycamore	99.1%
Willow	98.0%

Mrs Ball's Retirement

Today we said a fond farewell to Mrs Ball our caretaker, who has been working here at Ellwood School for over 35 years! We would like to thank her for all her hard work and dedication to the school for all those years.

She will be missed by us all and we would like to wish her a very happy and well - deserved retirement.



School Attendance

Attendance this half term has been much better with 95 pupils having 100% attendance this half term - which is amazing!

However, we still have children taking holidays in term time, unfortunately we will not be able to authorise any holidays in term time.

If holidays are taken in term time we may have to issue a Penalty Notice to each parent which incurs a fine of £60 per parent. This is under the direction of Gloucester County Council and their attendance guidelines.

Funky Hair Friday Friday 19th October

We saw some great hair dos today and the children all looked wonderful!

We would like to thank you for your kind donations for the Christmas Fayre, it is very much appreciated.



Spelling Challenge

Each term we hold a Whole School Spelling Challenge. Each child has been sent home a sheet of spellings, please take a few minutes to help your child learn them in preparation for the spelling challenge. Please note these are the words they should know by the end of the year, not specific to children.

The Spelling Challenge will take place on Friday 14th December.

Thank you!

Spelling

Reading Raffle Winners

This week's Reading Raffle winners were:

Chestnut - Tyler J Scotford
Beech - Oscar Johnson
Sycamore - Jack Paterson
Willow - Charlie Mitchell



Well done!

Achievement Assembly Awards

This week's individual achievement awards were given to the following pupils:

Chestnut Class - Eliza Breese and Harry Hurcomb
Beech Class - Remy Lloyd and Bella Aston
Sycamore Class - Nathan McAuliffe and Darcey McLinden
Willow Class - Charlie Mitchell and Isabella Hemming



Well done!

Weekly Writing Awards

This week's weekly writing awards were given to the following pupils:

Chestnut Class - Sorrel Blackburn
Beech Class - Ruby Hampson
Sycamore Class - Jack Paterson
Willow Class - Melissa Bishop



Well done!

Earrings on PE days

For Health and Safety reasons, please ensure that your child either removes their earrings on PE days or that tape is provided for them to be taped over on PE days.

Staff are not allowed to remove children's earrings, but some of the older children may be able to do it themselves.

Thank you

More Baby News!

We are very pleased to let you know that Miss Chisman gave birth to a beautiful baby boy on Friday 12th October. Both Mum and baby are doing well. We are looking forward to meeting the new arrival!



Data Collections Sheets/ Privacy Notice/Parental Consent

We still have a few Data Collection Sheets and Privacy Notice and Parental Consent forms outstanding. If you have not returned them to us, could you please do so as soon as possible.

Thank you.

School Photographs

Just to let you know that school photographs will take place on Tuesday 13th November. These will be individual and family group photographs.

Thank you.



Halloween Disco

Family Halloween Disco & Games

Saturday 27th October

Sling Clubhouse

4-6pm

£2 a child

Proceeds towards Sling Playing Fields



Healthy Break Time

Many thanks for all your support with providing children with fruit/vegetables for break time. It has made it so much more consistent for the children and is ensuring that they are eating one of their five a day. Don't forget, if your child forgets their healthy snack we can provide one.

Thank you.



Jumble Sale

Saturday 10th November

If you are thinking of having a pre-Christmas sort out during the half term break, we would be grateful for any donations for our Jumble Sale, which is due to take place on Saturday 10th November.

Please bring any donations to school on the week commencing 29th October.

Many thanks for your support.



Dinner Accounts

School dinner accounts should be kept in credit at all times. If there is a debt on your child's dinner account, please clear it immediately. We will unfortunately not be able to provide dinners for children if their dinner account is in arrears.

Thank you.

 **DEAN**
HERITAGE CENTRE

HALF TERM 22—26 OCTOBER
LOTS OF FRIGHTENINGLY GOOD
FAMILY FUN ALL WEEK 

 **PUMPKIN FESTIVAL**
27TH AND 28TH OCTOBER

SATURDAY—SPOOKY ART AND CRAFTS, PUMPKIN CLAY
SCULPTURE WITH AMANDA COX, FACE PAINTING,
GALLERY TRAIL, PUMPKIN CARVING, LUCKY DIP

FESTIVAL TICKET PRICE: ADULTS £5.00 CHILDREN

SUNDAY—BARBEQUE FROM 12.30, LOCAL PRODUCE,
RAFFLE, JOLTERS CIDER BAR, GALLERY TOURS.

PUMPKIN SOUP AND PIE IN THE CAFÉ ON BOTH DAYS!
(USUAL MENU ALSO AVAILABLE) 

Diary Dates

October 2018

- Mon 29th Oct - Start of new Term
- Tues 30th Oct - Swimming Y5/6
- Wed 31st Oct - War Horse Trip (Y5/6)

November 2018

- Sat 3rd Nov - Jumble Sale (10 a.m.—12 p.m.)
- Wed 7th Nov - Rags2Riches Collection
- Thurs 8th Nov - Cinema Trip (R, Y1, Y2)
- Fri 9th Nov - Remembrance Service
- Tues 13th Nov - School Photographs
Swimming (Y5/6)
- Fri 16th Nov - Children in Need
- Fri 23rd Nov - Skillzone and Glos Police HQ (Y5/6)
- Mon 26th Nov - Jolly Jar Week (more details to follow)
- Tue 27th Nov - Author Visit (Y3-Y6)
(More details to follow)

December 2018

- Sat 1st Dec - Christmas Fayre 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.
- Tues 4th Dec - Flu Vaccination (R, Y1/2/3/4/5)
- Tues 11th Dec - Christmas Play (Day and Evening performances)
Swimming (Y5/6)
- Tues 18th Dec - Christmas Lunch
- Thurs 20th Dec - Whole School Pantomime Trip