



Dear Parents and Carers,

Last Friday saw us hold our snow delayed World Book Day. The children looked marvellous and thank you so much for the time and effort you have all spent on their costumes. This week most of year 5 has been at Fairplay House from Monday until Wednesday participating in a range of activities including caving, archery, climbing and abseiling. I was fortunate enough to join them on Tuesday and even had a go on the zip wire it must be said the children found this more enjoyable than I did. Finally it just remains for me to wish you all a wonderful break and a happy Easter, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 16th April.

Sue Ferguson

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL THURSDAY 29TH MARCH (NORMAL TIME).
FIRST DAY BACK MONDAY 16TH APRIL.**



After School Clubs

A letter with available spaces and new clubs for the summer term will be coming out this week. All clubs re-start week beginning 23rd April, letters for payment will be sent out the week beginning 16th April.

Parking on Dove Approach

We have had several complaints about cars being parked on the pavement at the end of the school day. PLEASE DO NOT DO THIS! It is not only illegal but can seriously risk the safety of our children particularly when parents and children have to go into the road. Thank you for your support in this matter.



JamBusters - Thursday 29th March

Our school is taking part in the JamBusters competition this Thursday (29th). This is an inter-class competition to see how many children can find a healthier way to come to school for a day.

The aim is to improve the air quality and reduce congestion outside our school and make it safer for cyclists, scooters and pedestrians. On that day every child that walks, scoots or cycles to school will count towards their class score. If you have to park and stride to school, make sure you park outside the JamBusters Zone and stride the rest of your journey.

Please support us by not bringing a car into the JamBusters Zone. The class with most healthy journeys will be the school's JamBusters champions until next term when they have to defend their title.

Mrs Ellis



Phonics Questionnaire – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

We are in the process of preparing a space on the school website for regular phonics blogs, information and updates and would like it to be as useful and informative as possible. In order to make sure all voices and suggestions are heard, we are asking parents in Reception, Year 1 & 2 about your experiences of phonics at EWPS. Please be as honest as possible so that we can ensure the website is as informative and useful as possible. Once you have completed the questionnaire please return it to your class teacher. Thank you.

Miss Woodward



Advance Notice - Parents meeting : Sex & Relationship Education @ EWPS – How we teach it and how to discuss it with your child

Every year group has a 'Healthy Me' unit as part of their PSHE curriculum. This is taught in the summer term. This covers all aspects of physical and emotional health. There are also elements about forming healthy relationships, parts of bodies that are private (using



correct terms), how bodies change and conception to birth (in older year groups only). Content obviously differs in each year group.

Therefore every year we run a parent workshop for you to know what is being covered in your child's year group, why it is being covered and provide you with the opportunity to raise any queries. These are run by an external provider and EWPS staff will also be present. This year's meetings are being held on **Wednesday 18th April @ 2 p.m. and again at 6 p.m.** We look forward to seeing you.

Book Fair & World Book Day

Last week, Ellen Wilkinson Primary celebrated a belated 'World Book Day' after snowy weather postponed the initial celebration. This year, children from all year groups really out-did themselves with their costumes. There was an incredible range of characters from a wide range of literary genres from both staff and pupils.

Congratulations also to our annual costume prize-winners. Winners from each phase group were:



Phase 1: Theo Shippen (Jellyfish class)

Phase 2: Pijus Okunevicius (Lobster class)

Phase 3: Sumayyah Ahmed (Whale class)

Thank you to all parents who helped create the wonderful costumes that really helped bring World Book Day to life for the school.

We are pleased to announce that our Book Fair raised £100 towards new books for the school, thank you for all your support.

Easter Raffle Winners



We are pleased to announce that the raffle raised £125 for our house charities. Winning tickets was drawn in our assembly last Friday. Congratulations to Charlie in Y5 who won the large Easter Rabbit.

Children that won an Easter egg are:

Jogaile 4O, Tomas 6W, Chaniya 3L, Andrea 4O, Amber 6S, Selassie 6S, Jill 1L, Darcy 6S, Kasper 6W, Milana Y4O, Mahir 2J, Pijus 3L, Jay 3L, Laszlo 4S, Maximus 3L, Saule 5D, Dylan 4O, Isra 6W, Tangir 4S, Aayan 2S, Saifan 2S, Nikita 4O, Kyran 3T, Chloe 5S, Janie 5D, Joshua 1L, Mary 1L, Olivia 1C, Chris 1C, Katherine 5D, Ana G1, Kierrana 3T, Diana Guppy

Community News

Children's Centre Programme

Please find attached the programme of sessions at our Children's Centre for the next quarter. If you have a child who is 5 or under you can access these **FREE OF CHARGE.**

Park Lives Easter Programme

Please find attached to this newsletter details of different events that are happening



Chess Competition - Silver chess success for EWPS

26 March 2018 – Ellen Wilkinson came second in this year’s team invitational chess tournament, held today in The Studio at Ellen Wilkinson.

The team was joint top going into the penultimate round, but then lost two head-to-head games against St Joachim’s, the eventual winners. Top scorer for Ellen Wilkinson, with 4/5, was School Grandmaster Kayaan Shah from Whale class.

"This was a great step for some of the players from the after-school club", said Alan Bright, the school Chess Coach and who directed the tournament, "It was Amaan, Saule and Atalya's first time at this level and they will certainly gain from the experience."

The tournament comprised 27 players competing over five rounds.

Final scores: St Joachim’s - 16½, Ellen Wilkinson – 13, Gallions – 11, Calverton – 9, Grangewood – 8½

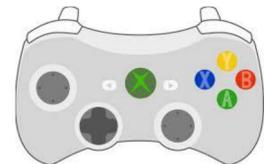


E-Safety - Tip of the Week

Subject: In- game abuse

In-game abuse is a common form of cyberbullying, with gamers being harassed and intimidated by other players, known as ‘griefers’. This abuse can happen either while playing on online gaming websites and social media, or while interacting through gaming consoles like Playstation and Xbox. It is often hard to know what to do to address and alleviate such a situation. With this in mind, here is a short list of actions that you can discuss with your child should they be at the receiving end of in-game abuse’.

1. Don't respond with aggression.
2. Tell somebody you trust.
3. Block/report the person that is cyberbullying you
4. Never give away personal information



For more advice and resources on cyberbullying visit the Ditch the label support hub.

<https://www.ditchthelabel.org/cyberbullying/>

Flutophone certificates



Well done to Year 3 who have received their certificates for the Step 1 Flutophone ECAM Ensemble. Their certificates range from a pass to a distinction. They have all done really well with the support of their ECAM tutor Mrs Clare Ensing.



Stars of the Week



Class	Name	Value(s)
6 Shark	Asia	Successful (For her contributions and ideas in R.E. Well done for leading discussions)
6 Whale	Florin	Successful (For an amazing performance in our recent Mock SATs)
5 Dolphin	Asfi	Inspire (For going beyond the lesson to work on her game for English)
5 Stingray	Tajus	Inspire (For making a consistent effort in the last 3 weeks with his behaviour and work. A true role model!)
4 Octopus	Arnas	Successful (For staying focused and hardworking throughout the week)
4 Seahorse	Michelle	Successful (For having a successful week in her learning and involvement)
3 Lobster	Macie	Inspire (For making a fantastic improvement in Maths)
3 Turtle	Aidan	Successful (For his excellent participation in Lego Therapy)
2 Jellyfish	Allison	Resilience (For consistently challenging herself in Maths)
2 Starfish	Maria	Successful (For sharing great ideas during discussions)
1 Clownfish	Taleah	Successful (For settling in really well. Welcome to EWPS)
1 Lionfish	Camilla	Successful (For successful addition and subtraction with 10)
Guppy 1	Daisie	Successful (For her excellent effort and success in Literacy this week)
Guppy 2	Yasin	Successful (For trying exceptionally hard with your numbers)

Our stars are awarded in Friday assemblies to children who have shown particular commitment to our school values during the week. To say thank you we ask them to come to the front in our assembly and they can choose a friend to sit with them at their own special table at lunchtime that day.



House Winners

Congratulations to everyone in **Mo Farah** House for having the most house points for the week ending 23.03.18



Attendance and Punctuality Winners

Attendance winners for the week ending **16th March** are: **Stingray = 99.66%**
Punctuality winners for the week ending **16th March** are : **Shark, Dolphin, Octopus, Lobster, Turtle, Starfish and Clownfish = 0 lates**



Upcoming Diary Dates

March

Date	Time(s)	Year Group(s)	Details	Parent Event?
Thu 29 th	9.00 - 10.15 a.m.	R	Stay & Play	YES
	8.45 – 10.00 a.m.	N (a.m.)		YES
	12.45 – 2.00 p.m	N (p.m.)		YES
	2.45 p.m.	6	Shark class assembly	YES
Thu 29 th		ALL	JamBusters Day	
		ALL	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL. SCHOOL FINISHES AT NORMAL TIME	

APRIL

Date	Time(s)	Year Group(s)	Details	Parent Event?
3rd – 13th	N/A	ALL	EASTER HOLIDAYS	
Mon 16th	8.55 a.m.	N-6	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL	
Wed 18 th TBC	2pm & 6pm (event repeated)	1 - 6	Parents meeting : Sex & Relationship Education @ EWPS – How we teach it and how to discuss it with your child	YES



Fri 20 th	9 am & 2 pm (event repeated)	All	Parents Meeting - Equalities	YES
23 rd – 27 th	N/A	All	Up & Out Week	NO
Wed 25 th	2.30 p.m.	All	Parents Meeting – Up & Out - Careers	YES
Thu 26 th	2.45 p.m.	1	Lionfish class assembly	YES