

Ellwood School News



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Security Lighting

Back in the Autumn Term teachers noticed that they were unable to see to lock up the school in the dark. It turned out to be the security lighting. They were not working efficiently and on closer inspection it appeared that they had been spray painted with thick black paint. We tried to clean this off but this was not successful. We then purchased 2 new lights and had them fitted, at a cost of a few hundred pounds. Yesterday we noticed that the lights had been sprayed again, covering the complete light fitting and also the paint had gone on the walls of the school. An individual has sprayed them intentionally and conclude they have an issue with our security lighting. We are saddened by this and would have hoped that the person would have been able to come and talk to the school about this rather than illegally trespass and vandalise school's property on 2 separate occasions. We have a CCTV system in school and hope to be able to identify the person who is doing this. It has caused extra work and financial implications, which in turn is taking resources away from our children. If you know of any information linked to this, please contact the school.

Mrs Bowery

Unfortunately Mrs Bowery is off school for the next few months with a back injury. We hope she makes a speedy recovery and wish her all our best wishes.

We hope to see her back in school soon.



Clubs

We are very fortunate to be running 7 clubs this half term. These are giving the children a range of activities and new experiences, which is great.

Year 6 - Manor Adventure

Mrs Marshall and Miss Bundy will be leading and accompanying the Year 6 children to Manor Adventure in June.

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to Willow Class for having the highest attendance so far, this term.

Oak	96.9%
Chestnut	97.4%
Beech	97.5%
Sycamore	93.5%
Willow	97.9%

Friends - Jumble Sale

Thank you for all your support with the jumble sale, we raised an amazing £280! We also collected over £70 from the 'Rags to Riches' collection. Well done!

Reminder—Class Arrangement for next academic year 2016-2017

The split for the new Year 2s and Year 5s in Chestnut, Beech, Sycamore and Willow will be by age. Names of children and classes will be sent out in June.

This has been agreed by staff and governors as the best possible solution. Unfortunately there will not be any change or negotiation about this decision.

The Humbug Chase

There is a charity MTB event, for ages 8-12 on Sunday May 15th 2016, start 10.15 a.m.

It is a 10 mile ride for families and groups following on the tail of the boar chase. No road crossing, fully signed and supported by MTB leaders from the Royal Forest Dean Forest Cycle Club.

For further information visit: fodmbe.org.uk