

# Ellwood School News



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All newsletters are also available  
on our website.

## Weekly Attendance

Well done to Chestnut Class for having the highest attendance this week. Amazing!

Thank you to all the parents who have supported us with trying to improve their child's attendance! There is a link between attainment and progress, so the more the children are in the school, the more they will succeed. Thank you for your support.

Oak	94.2%
Chestnut	99.5%
Beech	98.8%
Sycamore	98.9%
Willow	97.5%

## A Note from the Chair of Governors

We were very sad to say goodbye to Mrs Clements at the end of last term, but the goodbye party was lovely and well attended. Mrs Clements will be missed by everyone. Miss Peart has been elected as staff governor to replace Mrs Clements.

The governors have been busy visiting the school; including SEND Safeguarding and Pupil Premium. I was very lucky to attend a Year 6 Assembly, the children had prepared their own presentations which were of a very high standard. Well done year 6!

I noticed that the behaviour of all children was exemplary when I carried out a learning walk. I am always made to feel very welcome and your children are a credit to you all.

Mrs Cornock (Chair of Governors)

## Garden Club

Thank you to Mr Blackburn for donating fruit trees and showing us how to plant them in an espalier shape.



### Reading Raffle

We have had an overwhelming number of children read this week which is great. Well done! The children look forward to the raffle each week and enjoy coming up to pick out a book. Many thanks for your ongoing support.

Raffle winners this week were:

*Oak - Isabella Caruana*  
*Chestnut - McKenzie Harris*  
*Beech - Freya Leach*  
*Sycamore - Finley Pritchard*  
*Willow - Zhia Akers*



### KS2 SATs—week commencing May 14th

All children completing their SATs need to be in school on these dates, as we cannot complete the tests at any other time or dates as these are set by the Department for Education.

### Friends—Non Uniform Day

On Friday 25th May we will be having a non —uniform day where children may come to school wearing their own clothes. In exchange for this we would ask that children bring in a donation for the Summer Fayre such as bric-a-brac, bottles or raffle prizes.

### Appointments in School Time

We are grateful to parents collecting and returning children to school before and after appointments but would be grateful if routine appointments could be made outside of school times or during the school holidays. We are aware that some appointments cannot be made outside of school times such as hospital appointments or urgent dental/medical appointments.

Many thanks for your continued support.

### Reading Books

Could we please ask that care is taken with the reading books that are sent home, as a number of books are being returned with pages torn or having been written on.

Thank you for your support.

### Golf Club

All the children who have been attending Golf Club since September visited Bells Golf Club last week and were each given a set of refurbished golf clubs. This was such a kind gesture by the Golf Club and the children love their new clubs!



### Help Shape the future of Freedom Leisure Coleford

Freedom Leisure Coleford are currently holding public Consultation on the future of the leisure centre at Five Acres; Freedom Leisure Coleford. There is a survey open online that can be completed by members of the public until **Friday 18 May**. You can access the survey via our website here:

<http://www.fdean.gov.uk/about-the-council/having-your-say/consultations/freedom-leisure-coleford-community-consultation/>

### The Crypt School—Taster Days for Year 5 Boys and Girls Friday 18th May and Thursday 24th May

To take part please contact:  
[sbailey@crypt.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:sbailey@crypt.gloucs.sch.uk)

### St Briavels Music Event

The Year 5 and 6 children had an amazing time at the Music Event held at St, Briavels School last Friday. They were able to experience different genres of music which was amazing. As always the children were well behaved and a real credit to the school



### Warmer Weather

Hopefully with some warmer weather on the way could you please ensure that you send in a sun hat with your child. Please also ensure sunscreen is either applied before coming to school or send in some sunscreen which may be applied by your child. Could all items be clearly labelled with your child's name.

Thank you.



*School Sun caps are available to buy at school at a cost of £3.75. Please ask at the office.*

### Wild Boar Chase Cycle Event

On 20th May the FoD Lions are holding the Wild Boar Chase Cycle event. It is one of their biggest fund raisers, with a section for young riders aged between 8-12 called the Humbug Chase.

For further details please visit their website: [www.fodmbe.org.uk](http://www.fodmbe.org.uk)

## Diary Dates

### May 2018

Mon 7th May	-	May Bank Holiday (No School)
Mon 14th May	-	KS2 SATs Week
Fri 18th May	-	Year 6 Residential Trip
Mon 21st May	-	Year 6 Children return from Residential Trip
Fri 25th May	-	Non—uniform day in exchange for an item for the Summer Fayre

### Break up for Half term (2 week break)

### June 2018

Mon 11th Jun	-	<b>Start of new half term</b>
Thur 14th Jun	-	Open Morning 9.30—11.30 a.m.  Garden Party 1.30 - 3 p.m.  Country Dance Festival—Speech House
Wed 20th Jun	-	Country Dance Festival (Reserve Date)

### July 2018

Wed 18th Jul	-	Parents Evening Drop in 3.30 p.m.
Fri 20th Jul	-	End of Term BBQ 6.30 p.m.