



Elloughton School News

The Newsletter of
Elloughton Primary School



A Word From The Headteacher

Welcome back everyone. I really hope you all had a relaxing Easter holiday enjoying some interesting spring weather! It's incredible to think we're now once again embarking on the Summer term when it doesn't seem long since I was welcoming you all to a new school year. It promises to be a busy term, full of many exciting events and activities.

Before the Easter break I had the privilege of welcoming John Sentamu, the Archbishop of York, into school to have lunch with the staff on their training day. He was interested to hear about the recent school developments, in particular our changes to EYFS and the introduction of our Nursery. He met Jan Haskins, a local artist, as she installed our new art work in the reception area. Jan explained how she had been inspired by our Year 5/6 pupils last year to create a piece that celebrates the success of Elloughton Primary School.

During the lunch John also talked to staff about educational issues on the national agenda—curriculum, assessment, SATs and Ofsted and as you can imagine some differing views were shared! He heard about the now infamous chicken dance and also did the honours of the staff monthly draw when I agree to do another person's job. Much to my horror Mrs Mawe was the lucky winner which means I am charged with cooking a school meal for the day! However the Archbishop agreed to lend a much needed hand with his own love of cooking and promised to return to cook a meal for all our pupils. Watch this space for details for when this will be. All in all a memorable day and I am delighted the Archbishop went away smiling clutching an Elloughton Bear, promising to be back soon.

Since the start of the year one of our main focuses for school development has been writing and we have seen clear improvements in the standards of writing across the school, with children being given far more opportunities to write and explore different genres. At our staff training on Monday we began reviewing different approaches to guided reading, which is our main focus for school development this term. We began by considering how we can effectively help our pupils to become competent and confident readers with a genuine love and enjoyment of books.

It is important to instil a love and passion of reading amongst pupils and help them become skilled, thoughtful, avid readers. We continue with our book sorting which we started last year, seemingly a never ending task, but an important on-going job as it's vital to have enticing, interesting books that intrigue children. So we continue to invest wisely in texts that children will enjoy and find a passion for reading them. We are really grateful for the many donations of books received from parents last term as part of World Book Day as these are being read and enjoyed by many children. Along with reviewing our approaches to teaching key reading skills we will be re-designing our non-fiction library to make it much more child friendly and inviting.

Nothing equals the power of the book at the right time. I still cherish my very first book prize from my school, 'The Secret Garden' by Frances Hodgson Burnett, which I absolutely loved and was captivated by as a young child. The faded, tatty copy still sits on my bookshelf at home, has been read several times and is now loved by my own children.

Do enjoy the Bank Holiday weekend and hopefully a good read.

Kind regards

Mrs Fulstow



https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCS8Z_7dycfgQ9IIXnPIV4pQ to see photographs of the Mission Weekend in the Howden Deanery.

EYFS Tesco Bags to Help - We need your vote!

We are delighted to say that our application to the Tesco Bags of Help Grant Scheme has been successful and our project to raise further money will be put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores during May and June 2017.



The project with the highest number of votes across our region will receive up to £4,000, the second placed project up to £2,000 and the third placed project £1,000.

Please support us by voting! All you need to do is visit the Tesco at Market Weighton and make a purchase within store of any value. You will receive one token per transaction and it's not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token.

Hunsley Partnership School Swimming Gala



On Tuesday 25th April 12 pupils from Years Five and Six took part in the South Hunsley Partnership Schools Swimming Gala at Albert Road Swimming Pool, Hull.

Elloughton team won convincingly by a clear 20 points ahead of the other teams, with Brough Primary School coming second and Welton Primary School third.

Our pupils put on an amazing performance and were a credit to the school with good sportsmanship shown throughout the whole gala. We clearly have some future Olympians in our midst.

Congratulations to all those who took part and thank you to parents for their time and for supporting the event.

A Special Arrival

EYFS have had a very exciting first day back at school after the Easter holidays as they were greeted by some new class mates! 7 eggs lay inside the incubator causing quite a commotion! The children enjoyed observing the eggs and finding out facts about the chicks.



Re-funk Your Junk

Mrs Cooper has risen to the latest Hull City of Culture Challenge. She has transformed one of our damaged hoops into this amazing spiders web.



The chairs in the reading den were once old, shabby red leather chairs and now have a new lease of life.

Children love sitting on these chairs and having a good, relaxing read.



Do you ever look at objects in your house and wonder why you bought them? This week's City of Culture challenge asks you to look at these objects in a completely different light.

The team at **Ground** (<https://groundtk>) are asking you to...

'RE-FUNK YOUR JUNK'

Take your unwanted or unusable objects and breathe new life into them. Would an old chair look better with a new coat of paint? Could you make an empty jam jar into a pen holder? What old stuff can you make new?

Bring your objects or photos of your objects into school. We'd love to see them.

SHARE:

Make sure you take before and after photographs so you can compare how the objects look and share these on social media using [#ChallengeHull](#) so we can see what you got up to. You can then tag Hull 2017 ([Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#)) and Ground (on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#)) too.

Wow, what a performance!

We can't believe how much fun everyone had whilst rehearsing and performing 'Eurovision meets the X Factor' to parents. The children used their acting skills, learned on our theatre trip in the Autumn term, and put them to good use to ensure parents were laughing and joining in with various parts of the show.

The children were all incredible and all had important parts to play to bring the performance together as a whole. We are so proud of each and every one of them.



Thank you for the feedback!

"I just wanted to say how much my dad and I enjoyed today's performance. Fynn has talked (and sung) about nothing else for weeks and is still wearing his moustache!!

I know these things don't write themselves, or organise themselves over night, so well done to whoever wrote it and all the staff for their hard work! It must have been a full on term for you all but you are giving the kids fantastic memories so thank you very much for going the extra mile. Thanks again. Charlotte Counter"

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Dear Mrs Fulstow,

Thank you very much for your hospitality during my Mission weekend in Howden Deanery.

It was a great joy to meet you and your staff, and it was good to talk about wider issues in education. Even without the pupils in, there was a wonderful atmosphere in the school – it is evident how much care you all put in to your work, and how dynamic you are! I do pray that it will continue to be a place where all are enabled to flourish.

Thank you also for giving me an Elloughton bear. I promise he will be well looked after here.

With every blessing,

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Sainsburys Active Vouchers

Thank you for all the vouchers that you have been kindly collecting over the last few weeks.

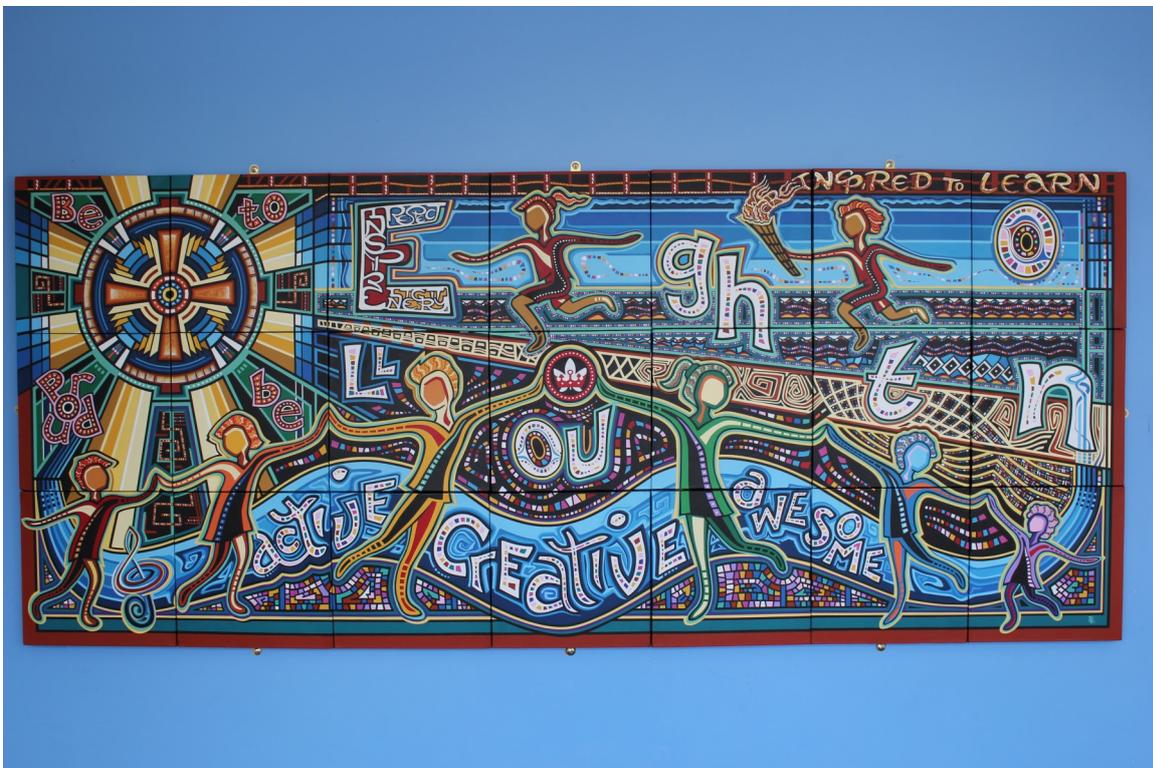
The voucher collection period ends this week so please could all remaining vouchers be sent into school by June 5th 2017.

Netball Team—Another Victory!

Well done once again to all our netball squad. They played brilliantly against Brough this week showing excellent passing, ball control, defence and shooting. They won the league game 10 - 4 and their friendly match 10–2. Superb team work girls!



New School Mural



At long last our front entrance is complete with the installation of our new mural. This has been created by Jan Haskins, a local artist, who began working with Year 5/6 pupils last summer term, seeking their ideas about what makes Elloughton Primary School so special. Their thoughts and ideas inspired her to create this wonderful mural. The words 'Be active, Be creative, Be awesome' were written by a pupil and Jan felt this phrase summed up what many pupils felt about the school.

Welcome

Welcome to the following new pupils who have joined our school this week:

Ryder Layton in EYFS, Edward Linsey in Year One, Daisy Bamford, Isabelle Fitzjohn and Dominic Layton in Year Two, Evie Bennett in Year Four and Evan Russell in Year Five.

We also welcome the following members of staff to our team:

Mrs Marrow, Mrs Marriott and Mrs Wilkinson who will be working in the new Nursery, Mrs Clarke our new Teaching Assistant, Mrs O'Doherty Year One Teacher and Mr Craig Sutherland our new Caretaker.

House Points

Congratulations to Virgo House who were top of the league table at the end of last term. They'll enjoy their well earned reward next week. The final results were as follows: Scorpius 39, Virgo 64, Leo 40, Cygnus 32, Andromeda 36, Orion 52.

The league table at the end of this first week back is as follows:



Scorpius	2
Virgo	6
Leo	3
Cygnus	4
Andromeda	4
Orion	5

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 4th May	Year 3 Swimming Lessons begin for 10 weeks Football Match—Elloughton v Welton Netball Match—Elloughton v Gilberdyke
Friday 5th , 12th, 19th May	Minecraft Project—Year 5
Week commencing 8th May	Year 6 SATS Week
Wednesday 10th May	Netball Match—Elloughton v Welton
Friday 12th May	FESA Disco Year 6 trip to Sutton Bank
Week Commencing 15th May	Year 2 SATS Week
Monday 15th May	Year 6 Leavers Photograph
Tuesday 16th May	FESA Bun Day Year 2 Football at St Mary's School
Wednesday 17th May 1.30pm	Year 6 Enterprise Event Parents welcome—more details to follow
Thursday 18th May	Netball Match—Elloughton v St Andrews Football Match—Elloughton v North Cave
Tuesday 23rd May	EYFS Stay and Cook Swimming Team Area Final Beverley Leisure Centre 9.30—12.30
Wed/Thurs 24th & 25th May	Bikeability Group One
Fri 26th May & Mon 5th June	Bikeability Group Two
Friday 26th May	Break Up for Half Term
Monday 5th June	School re-opens
Tues/Weds 6th & 7th June	Bikeability Group Three
Thurs/Fri 8th & 9th June	Bikeability Group Four
Wednesday 21st June	EYFS/Nursery Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Tuesday 4th July	Leavers' Production
Friday 7th July	Sports Day & School BBQ
Tuesday 25th July	Leavers' Service (time to be confirmed)

