



May 2023

Elloughton School News

The Newsletter of
Elloughton Primary School



A Word From The Headteacher

What a busy few weeks we've had and I'm sure many of the children are now all ready for a well earned break. A special well done to our Year 2s who have just completed reading and maths quizzes (alias KS1 SATs) and to all our Year 6 who recently took their KS2 SATs. Despite not being keen on the government's national testing regime I'm so proud of how all our children took the tests in their stride and did their very best, something which we continually encourage.

Particular thanks to the Year 6 staff and parents for ensuring the children were as prepared as they could be. The reading test this year has caused huge controversy leading some school leaders calling for testing reform. This is not because of the content but because of the length of the texts and the difficulty of the questions. Given the impact the pandemic will have had on this cohort of pupils, it is no wonder so many have raised concerns about the difficulty of the paper.

Fortunately we didn't, like some schools, have pupils feeling overwhelmed, upset and stressed with the paper. On the contrary all our children coped so well, despite the challenges and angst that tests can cause. I'm confident in the knowledge that the children all worked hard and completed the tests to the best of their ability which is all we ever expect. We teach the children to be skilled, knowledgeable, well rounded individuals to prepare them for future life. Confidence, creativity, respect, resilience, collaboration, integrity, thoughtfulness cannot be measured by SATs. Each and every day all the pupils make me proud as they enjoy learning and discovering together, showing many of our core values. It's a delight to have so many conversations with pupils whether that be a cheery hello in the morning, a polite greeting in the corridor, a conversation in the lunch queue, sharing thoughts in assembly or discussing their work. Your children are wonderful ambassadors for our school and it's a privilege to work with them. Visitors to our school are often impressed by the warm, welcoming and purposeful atmosphere that together they create. We're definitely all 'Proud to be Elloughton.'

When we return to school in June I'm sure our Year 1 children will smash the statutory phonic testing and Year 4s will excel in the multiplication table check.

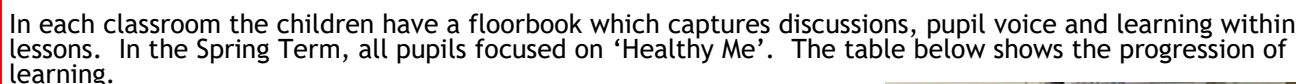
I look forward to an eventful couple of months as we embark on the final few weeks of the school year. I do hope you all have a restful half term break, getting out and about enjoying the summer sunshine!



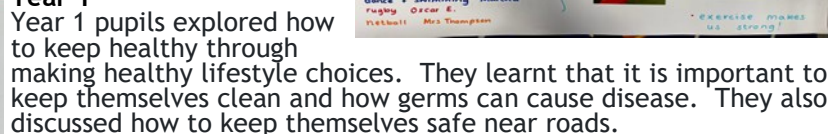
Warmest wishes
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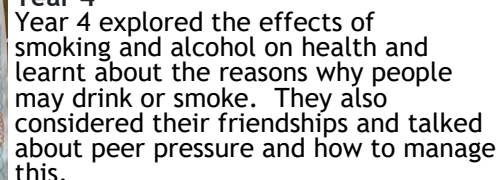
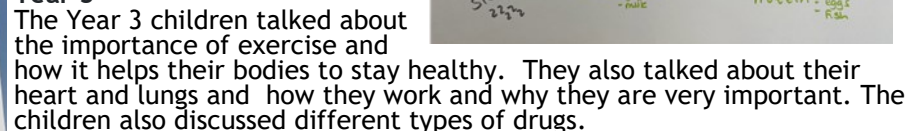
Our PSHE curriculum is composed of six core pieces which are taught during each half term.



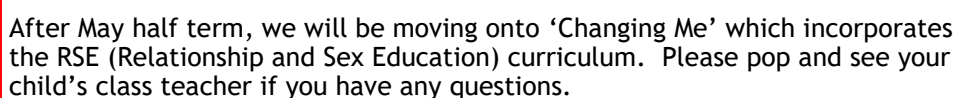
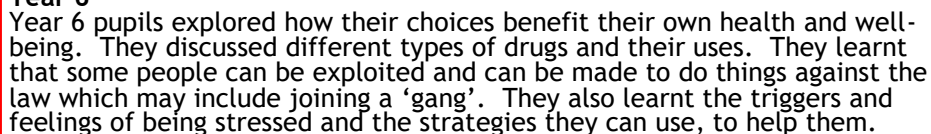
The children in Early Years learnt to name parts of their body and discuss what their bodies need to keep healthy (exercise, sleep, hand washing). They also discussed saying 'No strangers' and what to do if they get lost.



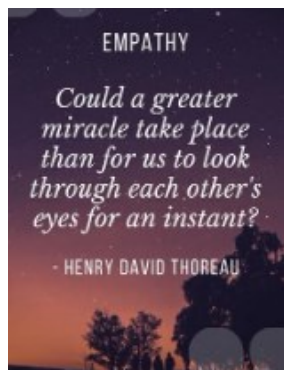
Pupils in Year 2 discussed ways to help our bodies stay healthy, our relationship with food and how to use medicines safely.



Year 5 pupils looked at the risks associated with smoking and how this affects the lungs, liver and heart. They also explored risks associated with alcohol misuse. They were taught a range of basic emergency procedures and how to contact emergency services when needed. Finally, Year 5 discussed how body types are explored in the media, social media and celebrity culture. They talked about eating disorders and people's relationships with food and how this can be linked to negative body image pressures.



Moral Compass



This month we have been focusing on empathy - the importance of always considering another person's feelings. Empathy is an important tool for children to have in their emotional toolbox as it can help build connections, regulate emotions, and promote care and respect for each other. Research shows that empathy can prevent unkindness, help children make friends, and enables them to give help to others as well as receive it.



Comic Relief

Thank you all your support with Comic Relief. The children loved the bun sale. Thank you for all your culinary donations too. In total we raised a whopping £742. 57 receiving £501.00 online donations and £241.57 from the sale of delicious buns.



Staffing

Mrs Woodend, who has been teaching at Elloughton for 13 years, will sadly be leaving us at the end of term to take up a new role writing online material for an education company. We wish her well in her new venture.



Class Structure 2023/24

After half term we will be releasing details of next year's class structure. Unfortunately we need to reduce the number of classes due to significant financial constraints like many other schools. This will result in some mixed classes in Key Stage 1 (Year 1 & 2) and Lower Key Stage 2 (Year 3 & 4).

Many thanks to you all for promptly returning the friendship survey. The results have helped staff to create new classes a task which always takes time when considering the needs, socially and academically, of all the pupils. As always we really appreciate parents' support in understanding the rationale for why a child has been placed in a particular class.



Sports Personality Day - Monday 19th June

To launch National Sports Week staff and children are invited to dress as a sports personality in return for a donation to FESA. All proceeds will go towards funding a circus entertainer for the annual hog roast, a highlight of the school year!



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Bag2School

Thank you to all who donated for to Bags2School, we raised £93.00. Thank you for your support!



Breakfast at Elloughton!!

Our next breakfast is Monday 26th June 2023.

Come and join us!

8.15am-8.40am, please book your breakfast via Pay 360

<https://www.pay360educationpayments.com/Home>



Entry via the hall entrance.

Sports Day—Friday 16th June

AM— EYFS & Key Stage 1

9.05 Parade

9.15 Singing

9.30-11.30 Track races and station events

PM— Key Stage 2

12.50 Parade

1.00 Singing

1.15-3.15 Track races and station events

Thursday 22nd June is Nursery sports day during the morning. Further details to follow!



The next uniform sale will be on Sports Day—Friday 16th June, all day from the office.

Cash only please.

We will also be selling exercise books at 10p each.

Lost property will also be on display!



Coronation

We really enjoyed all our Coronation celebrations and loved singing and performing our very own Coronation Song.

Click on the link below to have a sing-along.

Video: https://youtu.be/jpTYG_Sqqdg

Thanks to our winning songwriters; Florence and Grace H, Ruby A, Bella C.



We hope you liked your Coronation souvenirs.

The sale of the merchandise raised £548.00 for FESA.



Lifestyle

This week PCSO Jessica Watts launched Lifestyle 2023 with our Year 5/6 pupils. This is a brilliant opportunity for our children to be involved in projects which will benefit the local community.



Since 1989, thousands of young people have taken on challenges that have made a huge difference to communities across the Humberside Police area. There have been a wide range of innovative and creative projects such as renovating public spaces, raising awareness of medical campaigns, decorating children's hospital wards, donating care packages and many other imaginative ventures.

There are lots of fantastic prizes on offer for the most inventive and successful projects undertaken such as a trip to London, UK adventure holidays, days out at Flamingo Land, Go Ape and Tockwith Racecourse and many more.

Find out more at :

<https://www.humberside.police.uk/police-forces/humberside-police/areas/about-us/about-us/youth-engagement/lifestyle-project/>



Don't be late for school!

Children who arrive late at school are often disadvantaged because they miss starting the day with their peers and the beginning of lessons. It is essential that you ensure that your child arrives at school on time to prevent disruption to your child's learning. Next term, as advised by our Educational Welfare Officer, if your child is late arriving to school in the morning, you will be asked to complete details on a form in the office to explain the reason for the lateness.



Toy Sale

Well done to Gracie, Florence, Millie and Jessica who organised a Toy Sale to raise money for the Oncology Department at Castle Hill.

They collected £72.15 Special thanks to Mrs Robbins our ELSA, who helped the girls plan and arrange the sale. Also special thanks to Gracie's mum who joined us in Celebration assembly to talk to all the children about how the money would be used to support patients undergoing cancer treatment - buying boiled sweets and treats for patients who often experience a loss of taste.



SchoolCycled

Thank you for all your plastic tops and bottle lids. We have collected 45kg since the start of term. Keep sending in your donations so we can exchange all the plastic for valuable earth tokens to help us buy recycled products for our school.



Important Dates – Summer Term



5 th June – 6 th June	Year 4 Residential Raywell
6 th June	EYFS Purple Pig Farm
7 th June – 9 th June	Year 5 Residential Bushcraft Company Castle Howard
12 th June	EYFS Savannah Stay and Cook 9.05am Year 6 School Nurse Puberty Talk
13 th June	EYFS Arctic Stay and Cook 9.05am
15 th June	EYFS Ocean Stay and Cook 9.05am FESA Buy a Gift for Someone Special
16 th June	Sports Day and BBQ
19 th June	Dress as a Sports Personality day Year 5 East Barnby talk for parents at 5.00pm (virtual)
20 th June	New Starters Coffee Morning 9.15am
22 nd June	Nursery Sports Day 'No Problem' Challenge Day at Hymers (Year 5)
26 th June	Family Breakfast 8.15am EYFS Savannah Come and See classroom 3.10pm
27 th June	Year 2 Yorkshire Sculpture Park Trip EYFS Arctic Come and See classroom 3.10pm
29 th June	Year 6 South Hunsley School Transition Day Whole School Transition Morning EYFS Ocean Come and See classroom 3.10pm
30 th June	Year 6 Festival of Performing Arts and Sport
3 rd July	Year 1 Little Big Sing Nursery Come & Play (New Starters)
4 th July	Elloughton Explorers (2 & 3 year olds) Forest School 2.00pm–3.00pm
6 th July	EYFS The Deep Trip
10 th July	Whole School Transition Afternoon
17 th July	Art Exhibition Pre-loved Uniform Sale
18 th July	Year 1 Come Dine With Me
19 th July	Year 6 Lunch Menu Takeover Year 6 Celebration Evening 6.00pm
21 st July	Year 6 Picnic Lunch and Farewell

Term and Holiday Dates 2023/2024

Autumn Term

Opens	Tuesday 5 th September 2023
Closes	Friday 27 th October 2023
Re-opens	Monday 6 th November 2023
Closes	Thursday 21 st December 2023



Spring Term

Opens	Tuesday 9 th January 2024
Closes	Friday 9 th February 2024
Re-Opens	Monday 19 th February 2024
Closes	Thursday 21 st March 2024



Summer Term

Opens	Monday 8 th April 2024
Closed	Monday 6 th May 2024 (Bank Holiday)
Closes	Friday 24 th May 2024
Re-Opens	Monday 3 rd June 2024
Closes	Friday 19 th July 2024



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Summer Term

Re-Opens	Monday 5 th June 2023
Closes	Friday 21 st July 2023



Teacher Training Days
Monday 24th July 2023

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Monday 4th September 2023
Friday 22nd December 2022
Monday 8th January 2024
Friday 22nd March 2024
Monday 22nd July 2024