



Elmhurst Junior School

Motivated and empowered; influencing the world we live in to bring about positive change.

Spring Term 2
Week 1
WC 24/2/25

A message from Ms Airey

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Spring Term 2. We hope you all had a restful break and are ready for another exciting term of learning and growth. We've hit the ground running this week, and we're thrilled to share some of the incredible achievements and events that have already taken place. It's been a truly remarkable start, filled with moments of pride and celebration.

Firstly, our Year 6 pupils have been participating in valuable Bikeability sessions, learning essential road safety skills. We are incredibly proud of their maturity and excellent behaviour throughout the training. They represented our school beautifully and demonstrated a real commitment to learning how to stay safe on our roads.

Later in the week, our upper school pupils took part in an inter school maths competition at Millfield Senior School. They showcased their exceptional mathematical skills and competitive spirit, proving just how strong we are in this area. We were delighted to see them act as such fantastic ambassadors for our school.

A message from Ms Airey

To round off a busy week, we welcomed Mrs Fidock (Deputy CEO from the Trust) and Mr Watts (School Improvement Advisor) for a learning review. We are absolutely delighted to share that they were both extremely impressed with our pupils and staff. They observed behaviour of the highest standard and the strength of teaching across all classes and various subjects. They commented that it was a wonderful way to end the week and that we are rightly proud of the work of both pupils and staff.

Finally a big well done to Mrs Rousell and to you parents for raising £27.35 in our Rags to Riches collection... every little bit helps.

What an incredible start to the term! We are so proud of our pupils and staff for their hard work, dedication, and enthusiasm. We look forward to sharing more exciting news and events with you throughout the term.

Thank you for your continued support.

Ms Airey

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BOOK
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For more information, please see the Class Dojo post from 24/2/25



Elmhurst Events

Spring Term 2



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School calendar
updated

Saturday 1st March	Year 4 Football Tournament at Millfield 10am
Saturday 1st March	Year 5 Rehearsal -Wells Cathedral 2-3.45pm Performance arrive 7pm for 7.30 pm performance
Tuesday 4th March	Cross Country at Downside School first race 4pm - everyone welcome
Tuesday 11th March	Netball tournament - Strode College
Thursday 13th March	Y5 trip to Glastonbury Abbey
Friday 21st March	Non Uniform for Easter Bingo Prize donations
Saturday 22nd March	Year 5 football tournament at Edgarley
Friday 28th March	Y4 Egyptian workshop (in school)
Friday 28th March	Easter Bingo - 7pm



Elmhurst Equipment



Dear parents/ carers, we have been so grateful for your support in providing stationary for the children. However at times we are literally overwhelmed with the vast amount of items coming to school in the pencil cases and the differing quality, sizes of some of the writing implements. In these early stages of developing writing and embedding the skills, a suitable, basic, HB pencil is all pupils need. Please see the school list as to what we would like in school. We will be sending home any additional items that we feel may get lost or broken here at school or might not be appropriate for in class work. Once again a huge thank you for helping us to help your child.



Pupils need to bring:

A small pencil case

HB pencils

An eraser

A glue stick

A ruler (mm / cm)

A pencil sharpener

A highlighter pen



In PE we have started to learn hockey skills - this week we played Traffic Lights. Coloured pads instructed us to dribble whilst walking, jogging or to stop. It's been interesting to try and control the ball with a stick!



In History, we used a Kahoot game to test our understanding of 'What does Prehistoric Mean?'. It's the first time we have used the interactive quiz and we LOVED it!

Year 3: Pine & Willow Class



This week, we have started our new focus: ***The Ancient Egyptians!*** In PE, we learned some Egyptian inspired dance moves. In English, we are going to be writing a newspaper article about the unearthing of Tutankhamun's tomb. We looked at examples from The News Shed and then had a go at writing headlines for a set of images. We have also been reading about Howard Carter's discovery in Guided Reading.

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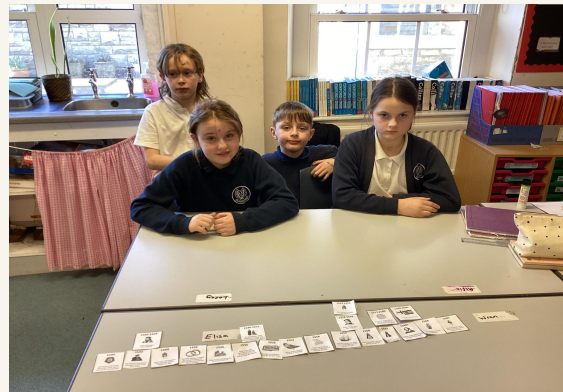
Year 4: Hazel & Rowan Class



In History we looked at the key events throughout Tudor history.



Oak and Yew have both been creating art using nature as part of their new topic. They created some fantastic designs.

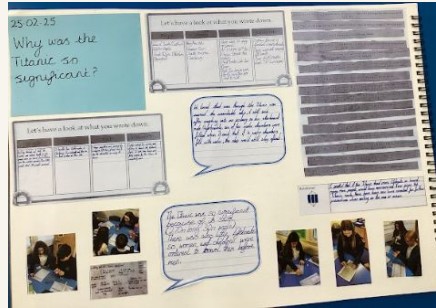
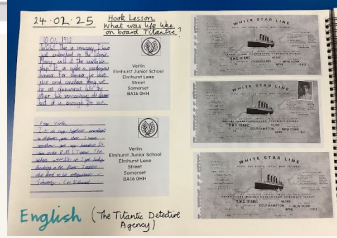
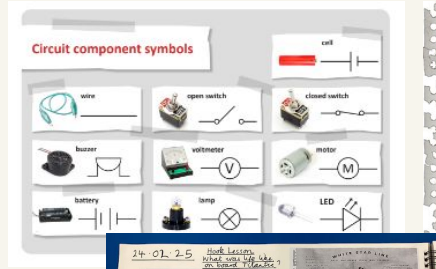


1485  The White Rose of York Field of Blood battle, and is won by the Lancastrians.	1485-1509  Henry VII reigns over England.	1509  King Henry VIII becomes King when his brother Henry VII dies.	1509  Henry VIII marries Catherine of Aragon. The marriage is annulled in 1533.
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Year 5: Oak & Yew Class

We have started our new topic in history and English all about the **Titanic**. In English, we have started reading The Titanic Detective Agency and have been getting to know the main characters and what life was like on board the 'unsinkable' ship! In our hook lesson we all received letters from White Star Line and our boarding passes.

In History, we have been considering why the Titanic was so significant. In Science, we have been learning and drawing the symbols for electrical components, reading for our topic on Electrical Circuits and Components.



Dear passenger,

It is my highest privilege to invite you to embark with us upon the maiden voyage of this magnificent ship.

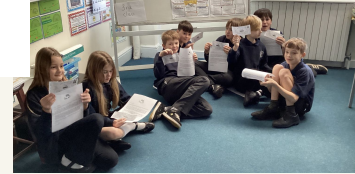
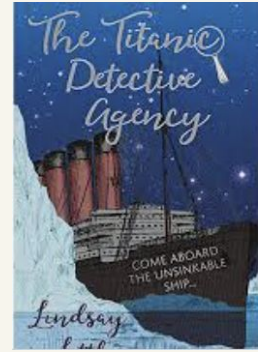
In accordance with your wealth, you will shortly receive your first class boarding ticket. Be sure to keep this with you at all times as it will allow you to access all of the privileges available to a first class passenger.

Upon boarding, you will be greeted by your personal steward - it will be our mission to ensure your every moment on board the great ship is perfect.

It is suggested that you pack formal dining wear for meals in the first class dining saloon. You may also be interested to know that your private first class suite is magnificently furnished. It is decorated in various period styles and equipped with many modern electrical appliances, such as telephones, heaters, steward call bells, table fans and electrical blowers to provide fresh air.

All of the crew look forward to welcoming you aboard and wish you a safe and pleasant journey.

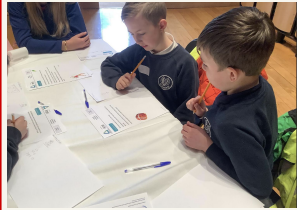
Yours truly
Lt Henry Wilde
Chief Officer



Year 6: Ash & Fir Class

Elmhurst Maths News

This week year 5 and year 6 have been lucky enough to take part in a Maths Competition at Millfield against local schools. We took three teams and they all made us very proud. They tackled some very challenging maths problems under timed conditions and didn't panic. Instead, they demonstrated determination and resilience and most importantly worked collaboratively together. Oak Class team came third overall and our year 6 team were leading after the first round (the most challenging) however lost precious time in the second round due to a tactical error. We will know for next time! We had the best fun.





Elmhurst Sports News



Cross Country - Next Week - Tuesday 4th March

Downside School - Stratton on the Fosse

First race 4pm

Please arrive by 3.45pm

Everyone Welcome.

This is quite a long way away and you will need to pick up your child in time to get to the event.



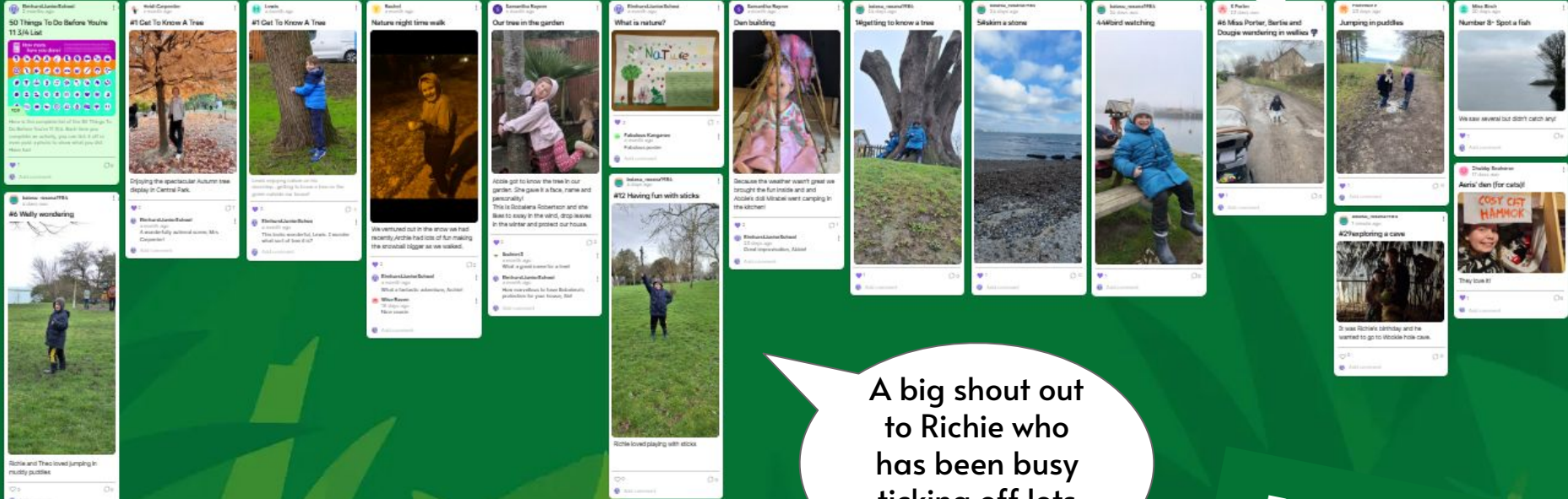
Elmhurst Sports News



Well done to the children from Ash Class who took part in Bikeability training this week and passed their level 2. We are extremely proud of you all. Safe Cycling.



Wellbeing Warriors

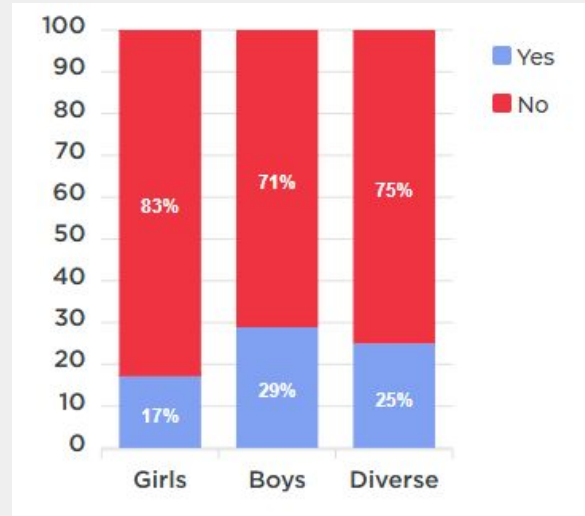
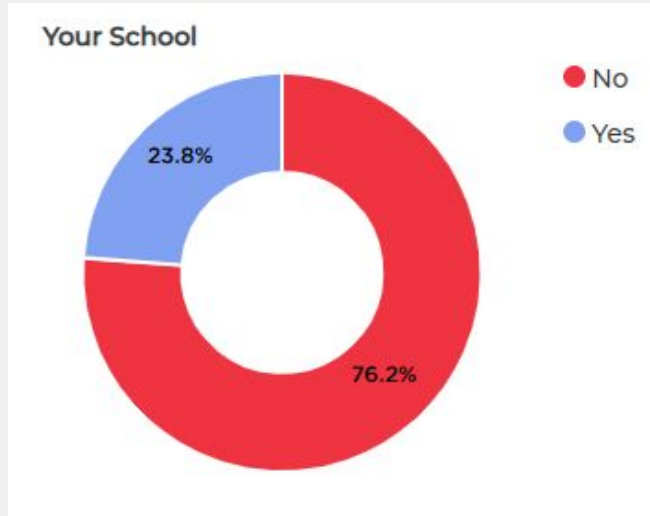


A big shout out to Richie who has been busy ticking off lots of activities!

PADLET



Can you trust one leader to make all decisions for you?



This week, we have been taking a closer look at teamwork and whether it helps us. We have also been thinking about the current political system in the UK and whether they can trust one leader to make all decisions. Our assembly explored what opinion polls are and how they work.



Reading Champions



Year 3

Phoebe
Kenzie

Year 4

Blake
Richie

Year 5

Ruby
Elisa

Year 6

Jonsi
Alfie T

These pupils were chosen for their commitment and attitude towards reading this week.



Year 3

Willow
Class

Most correct
answers on
Times Table
Rockstars



Year 4

Hazel Class



Maths-**Whizz**[®]



Year 5

Oak Class



Maths-**Whizz**[®]



Most
progression
points on
Maths Whizz

Year 6

Fir Class

Bronze Certificates

Fir
Felix
Ezra
Jonsi

Rowan
Darcy
Hannah
Tyler

Yew
Dexter
Aeris
Rudy
Hope



ClassDojo

100 points

Silver Certificates

Oak
Tom
Mohammed

Rowan
Toby



ClassDojo

250 points

Gold Certificates

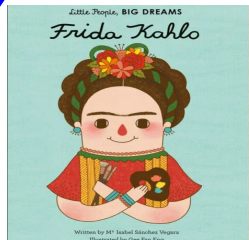


ClassDojo

400 points



Elmhurst Weekly House Points



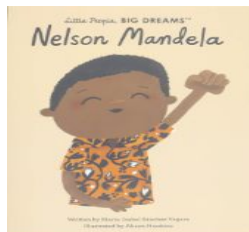
Frida Kahlo

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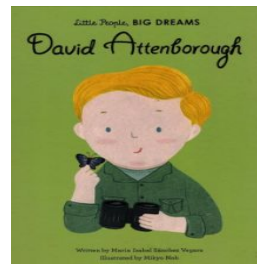
Florence Nightingale

50132



Nelson Mandela

50411



David Attenborough

54318

Trust

Kindness

Elmhurst Etiquette

Respect

Forgiveness

Y3

Harry
(Pine)

Y4

Luca
(Rowan)

Y4

Oliver
(Hazel)

Y3

Isobel
(Willow)

This week's
stars

Y5

Nevaya
(Oak)

Y6

Jenson
(Ash)

Y6

Cora-
Mae
(Fir)

Y5

Bobby
(Yew)

These pupils' family members will be invited to our celebration assembly next week.



Please place donations in the red bag, located in the school car park.

Now Collecting:

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|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| - Tyres | - Watering cans | - Plastic animals |
| - Guttering/pipes | - Wheelbarrows | - Dressing up clothes |
| - Wooden planks | - Pushchairs | - Dolls |
| - Cable drums | - Blankets | - Toy cars/trucks |
| - Wood chippings | - Kitchen equipment | - Scooters |
| - Astroturf | - Traffic cones | - Ride on toys |
| - Pallets | - Waterproof clothing | - Wellies |

**CHECK BEFORE
YOU CHUCK!**