



Elmhurst Junior School

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



Spring Term 1
Week 3
WC 20/1/25

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A message from Ms Airey



Dear parents and carers,

One of the strengths of Elmhurst is that the staff and children never sit still and rest on their laurels. They are always looking at how we can move forward, how we can make things even better for our pupils and the whole community. This is one of the reasons that the school is seen as a shining example of school improvement.

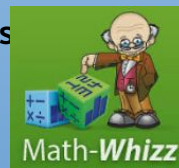
Our wonderful journey has been further strengthened by joining the Wessex Learning Trust and they have helped the school to create both Facebook and Instagram pages where we can share our school success more widely.

Please can I encourage you to follow the school pages which can be found by simply searching for:

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As we continue through the academic year (nearly half way through) please can we ask for your support in helping your child learn their times tables and the relating division facts. These are the building blocks of so much of mathematical knowledge that we all use, every day.

By your child using MathsWhizz 20 minutes, three times (1 hour) a week they can make significant, additional progress in their basic maths skills. This is a free tutoring resources that the school provides



Attendance makes a Difference

Every parents wants their child to be successful at school. No one wants to see a child fall behind or arrive at school having to catch up unnecessarily. This is why attendance does matter. The impact on your child ,as well as others in the class, when your child is not in school is significant as they have to be supported to catch up and often this requires the support from other children being taken away from them.

Some absences can not be avoided, we understand this . However, the school can not authorise any absence that is deemed by the DFE as avoidable and this includes all holiday requests.

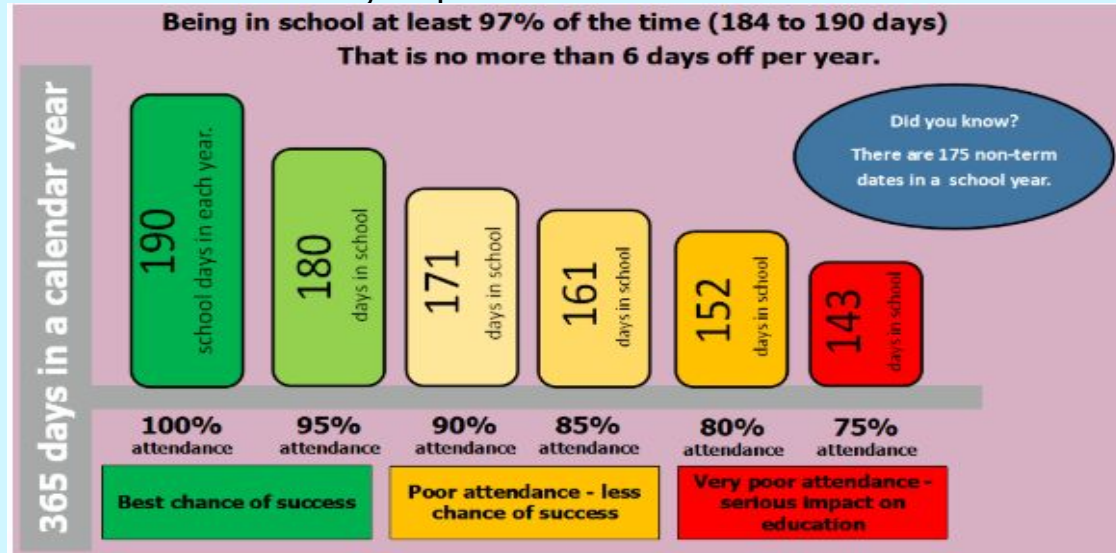
Significant unauthorised absences may result in a fine.

Please help us to help your child.

**Well done Oak and Yew Class
who both had 95% this week.**

**Sadly we had two classes
with less than 90%attendance**

**Whole school attendance =
93%**



Trust

Kindness

Elmhurst Etiquette

Respect

Forgiveness

Y3
Phoebe
(Pine)

Y4
Aidan
(Rowan)

This week's
stars

Y4
Abisola
(Hazel)

Y3
Daisy
(Willow)

Y5
Eloise
(Oak)

Y6
Poppy
(Ash)

Y6
Charlie
(Fir)

Y5
Ebony
(Yew)

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



Elmhurst Events



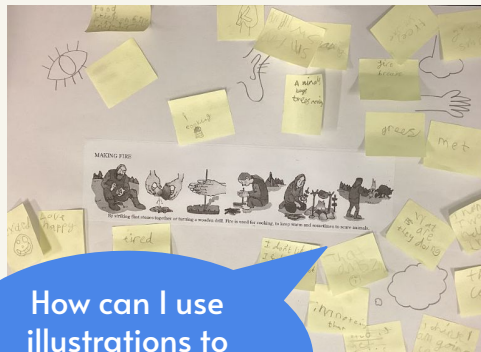
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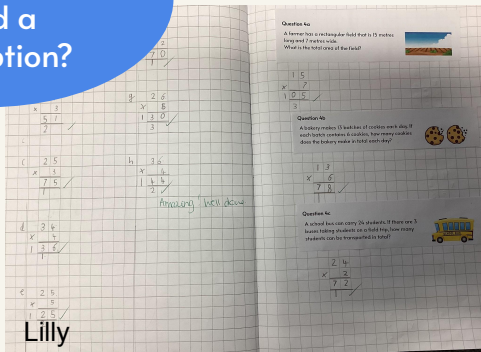
School calendar updated

Mon 27th January	Rags to Riches bags can start being sent in to school
Tuesday 11th February	Y5 football against Millfield - parent transport needed
Friday 14th February	Parent Class open session 3:20 pm - 4pm
Friday 14th February	End of term
Tuesday 4th March	Cross Country at Downside School



In English, we have been using our senses to describe what it was like to visit a Stone Age setting.

How can I use illustrations to build a description?



In Maths we have been practicing fluency and applying our skills in multiplication to reasoning and problem-solving tasks.



In PE, we have been practising our dribbling skills and turning using the inside, outside and sole of the foot.



In Design & Technology, we looked at a target audience's needs and preferences to design a range of slippers.



Why is it important to consider a target audience?

Year 3: Pine & Willow Class

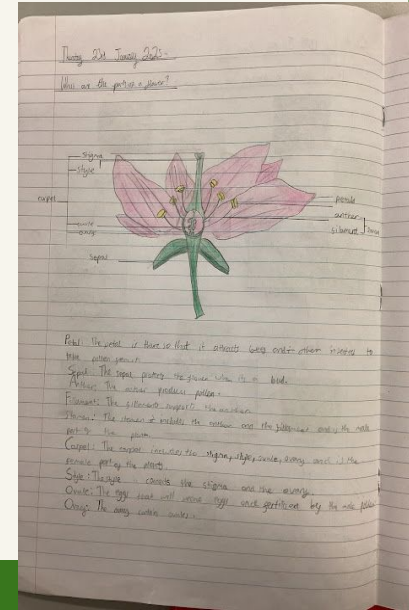


In DT we chopped and prepared a variety of vegetables to make a soup that we had researched and designed.



Year 5 experienced singing with a team of Millfield professionals. A composer who wrote a piece called, Wellsprings and a sound technician. The head of music was our conductor and we recorded some sections of a song that is going to be performed at Wells Cathedral on 1st March.

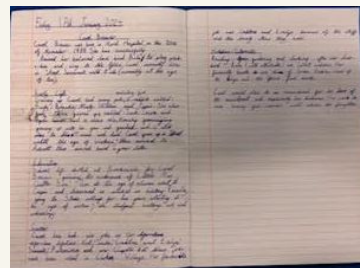
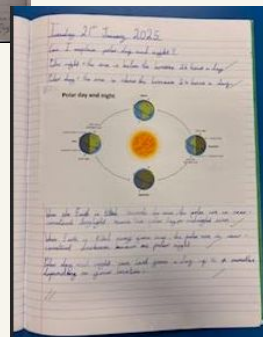
We have also been learning about the parts of a flower in preparation for next week when we will dissect one.



Year 5: Oak & Yew Class

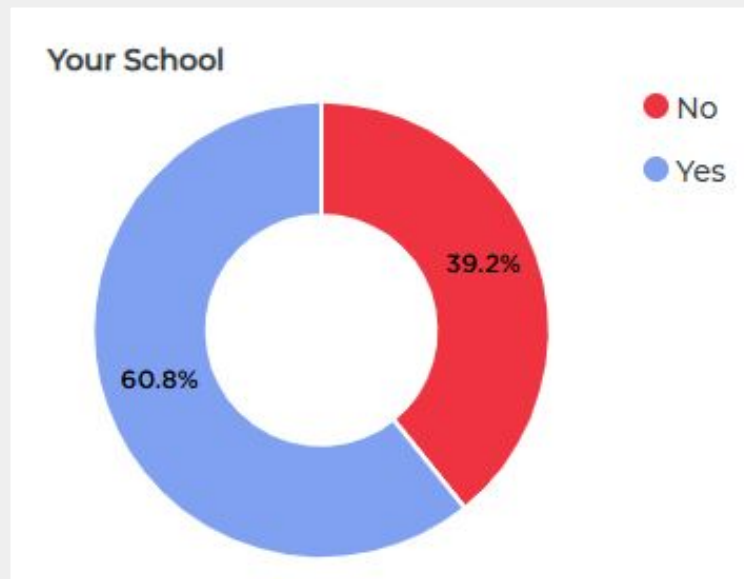


This week in year 6 we have been: creating group balances in gym; writing biographies about families members in English; learning about how polar animals have adapted to their harsh habitats in science and learning about polar night and day in geography.



Year 6: Ash & Fir Class

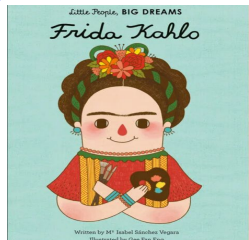
Is it easy to save your pennies?



This week's vote topic demystified money and saving for our pupils and empowered them to make the choices that are right for them. Meanwhile, our assembly talked through opening a bank account.



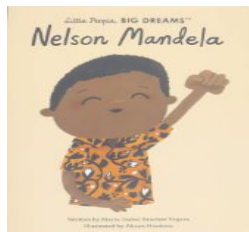
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Frida Kahlo

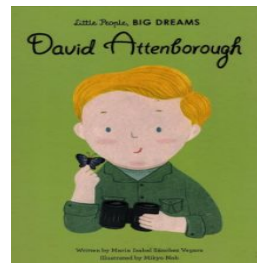


Florence Nightingale



Nelson Mandela

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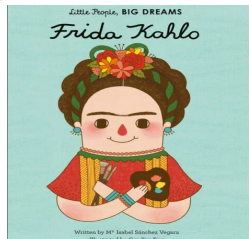


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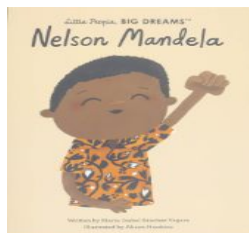


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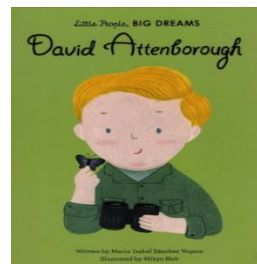
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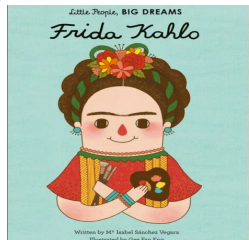


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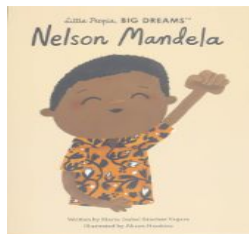
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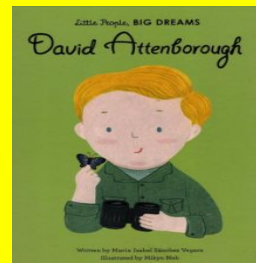
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Reading Champions



Year 3

Eliza

Year 4

Luca
Merve

Year 5

Dexter R
Alfred

Year 6

Treasure
Grace

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



Year 3

Pine Class



Year 4

Hazel Class

Most correct
answers on
Times Table
Rockstars



Maths-**Whizz**[®]



Year 5

Yew Class



Maths-**Whizz**[®]



Year 6

Fir Class

Most
progression
points on
Maths Whizz

Bronze Certificates

Rowan

Abbie

Fir

Arwen

Riley W

Emily

Oak

Harper

Dexter

Yew

Narla

Indie

Eloise

Mya

Joseph



ClassDojo

100 points

Silver Certificates



ClassDojo

250 points

Gold Certificates



ClassDojo

400 points



Elmhurst Sports News



Coming up

Tuesday 4th February - Netball at Strode

Tuesday 11th February - Y5 Football at Millfield transport needed

Tuesday 4th March - Cross Country - Downside School



#12. Have Fun With Sticks



Sticks come in all shapes and sizes, and there's lots of things you can do with them. Do you want to create a trail of arrows for friends to follow? Or will you use your stick to make a home for wildlife? Perhaps you'd like to decorate it and use it as a wand?



Parents can post a photo of their child/family completing this activity on our school Padlet page by clicking the link below:

PADLET

