



Elmhurst Junior School

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

Summer Term 1

Week 3

WC 04/4/26



A message from Ms Airey



Hello everyone,

It is hard to believe how quickly this term is moving—it feels as though the weeks are simply flying by! As we head into next week, our thoughts and best wishes are very much with our Year 6 pupils as they prepare to sit their SATs tests.

Celebrating Our Year 6 Stars

While we all know that test results are just a snapshot and certainly do not capture the essence of who a child is, we would be remiss if we didn't take a moment to celebrate the incredible dedication our Year 6 cohort has shown.

Across the country, and right here in our classrooms, pupils have been working exceptionally hard to prepare for this national event. These assessments provide a wonderful opportunity for our children to showcase just how far they have come on their primary learning journey—celebrating progress from each individual's unique starting point.





A message from Ms Airey



A Gentle Reminder: Morning Drop-Offs and Pickups

To ensure the safety and well-being of all our children, please remember that the school gates open at 8:30 am.

We have noticed with some concern that several children are arriving well ahead of this time. While the gates are unlocked, please be aware that staff are not in a position to supervise children on the playground before the doors open. We kindly ask that parents and carers remain with their children until they enter the building.

Important Note: Where we experience issues with pupil behaviour on the playground before the start of the day, we will contact parents directly and ask that you stand with your child until the classroom doors open. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our morning routine calm and safe.

Please do not park on the ZIG ZAG lines as this is a risk to the children and other road users. There is no exception to this rule as it is part of the highway's law.





A message from Ms Airey



Leadership Update: Elmhurst & St Cuthbert's Junior School

We are pleased to share further information regarding the leadership structure for the upcoming academic year. To ensure stability and continued growth across our community, the following arrangements will be in place:

- Ms Airey will remain as Headteacher of Elmhurst Junior School, while also taking up the position of Headteacher at St Cuthbert's Junior School.
- Mr Horsburgh will continue in his vital roles as Deputy Headteacher and SENCO.
- To balance her time effectively, Ms Airey will be on the Elmhurst site four out of five days each week, following a rotating schedule of part and full days.

We are confident that this shared leadership will bring exciting opportunities for collaboration between the two schools while maintaining the high standards we value at Elmhurst.

Wishing you all a restful and sunny weekend!



Elmhurst
Junior School



St Cuthbert's
C of E Junior School

Volunteers wanted – Year 6 Careers

Call for Volunteers: A Year 6 Careers Afternoon!

Following the incredible success of last year's event, we are thrilled to announce that we will be hosting another Year 6 Careers Afternoon on Monday 29th June (TBC), from 1:30 pm to 3:15 pm.

Last year, we were blown away by parent support. The children left feeling so inspired after hearing about your professional journeys, and we would love to recreate that magic again! Our goal is to showcase as many different pathways as possible—the more diverse the range of jobs, the better.

Would you like to join us? If you are available to come in and chat about what you do, please email the school office with your name and job title.

On the day:

- **Arrival:** You are welcome to arrive from 1:00 pm to set up.
- **Resources:** If you have any tools, uniforms, or resources from your workplace that you can bring to show the children, that would be excellent!



Thank you for helping us broaden our pupils' horizons and inspire the next generation.



Elmhurst Events



Summer Term I

W/C Monday 11th May	Year 6 SATs Week <i>[Voluntary Contributions for breakfast can be made on MCAS]</i>
Monday 18th May	Athletics at Millfield - TBC (Upper School)
Monday 18th May	Bounce Fitness Workshops - all children can wear PE kit
Wednesday 20th May	Year 6 Swimming (All pupils)
Thursday 21st May	Year 4 Swimming (lesson 2) <i>[Voluntary Contributions can be made on MCAS]</i>
Friday 22nd May	End of term
W/C Monday 25th May	HALF TERM WEEK



Elmhurst Events



Summer Term 2

Wednesday 3rd June	Fir Class Trip to East Somerset Railway
Wednesday 17th June	Ash Class Trip to East Somerset Railway
Wednesday 24th June	Willow Class Trip to East Somerset Railway
Monday 29th June	Year 6 Careers afternoon (TBC) 1:30 pm to 3:15 pm
Tuesday 7th July	Year 6 Dress Rehearsal
Wednesday 8th July	Year 6 Production -Baptist Church - 1 performance at 1.30pm and 1 performance at 6pm
Friday 10th July	Open Class 9.15am
13th July to 15th July	Year 6 Residential
Thursday 16th July	Year 6 Leavers - Baptist Church - 10am



Elmhurst Sports Events



Monday 8th June	Rounders League at Strode College
Thursday 25th June	Sports Day Year 5-6 (morning)
Thursday 25th June	Sports Day Year 3-4 (afternoon)
Friday 26th June	Reserve Sports Day

Elmhurst Student Blog



Hi there its Isabel and Hope here, we are here today to inform you what every class has done this week!

First up we will start with Year 3 Fir class. On Tuesday, they earned their third badge for learning about Mountains. Next week, will be their last badge that they will earn to complete that lesson! In assembly, which Fir found interesting, Troy told us that rubbish goes underground, is burned and recycled to be remade into new items.

Year four (Ash class) practised their tennis skills by learning how to throw and catch a ball accurately. A selected group of children were taken to a Maths club, which was fun!. In Art they described paintings and learned what they meant, what they look like and how they make you feel. Now we have willow class. They had Science where they learned about electric circuits and how they function; they saw many pieces that are part of a circuit. After that, they got a pencil and a rubber and sketched landscapes.

Upper school now! Year five Yew class have been working on newspaper reports about The Lost Thing. In computing, they created their own virtual pets-everybody's were all different and creative. Diana also wished Year Six good luck in their sats next week! Year five (Oak) were adding and subtracting decimals in Maths. In PE, they played rounders, which they found very active and fun. Year six (Hazel) have been working hard revising for their sats. They also played tennis on Tuesday where they worked in pairs. Finally, we have Rowan class! Lots more Sats revision to help us next week with our tests as we all want to get great scores! We had fun in the afternoons making some lovely posters about climate change.

That's it for this week - thanks for reading!

Each week, we invite family of a member of each class to join us in our Celebration Assembly.

Lilah (Fir)



Annabelle (Ash)



Emelia (Willow)



We value you!



Jack (Oak)



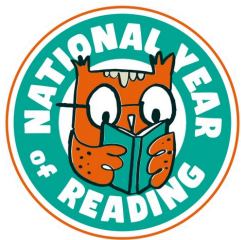
Beatrice & Noah
(Yew)



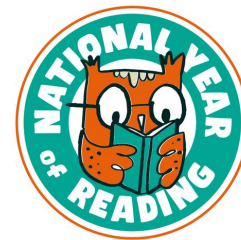
Darcy and Grace
(Hazel)



(Rowan)
Wren & Daisy



Reading Champions



Year 3

Kane
Maisie

Year 4

Ruth

Year 5

Hannah
Finley

Year 6

Emily

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



We celebrate the most improved statistics over the last 7 days for...



Accuracy

Coins

Correct Answers

Minutes Played

Studio Speed



Sebastian F
Year 4

Rose R
Year 4

Samuel H
Year 4

Luella S
Year 3

Luella S
Year 3

Spelling Shed



Annabelle Y3



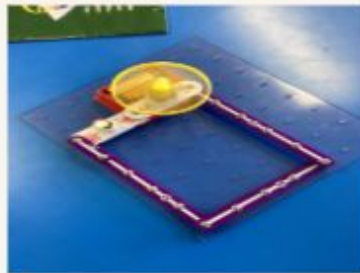
Tyler Y3



Elliot Y3



These pupils achieved the highest scores in these areas this week

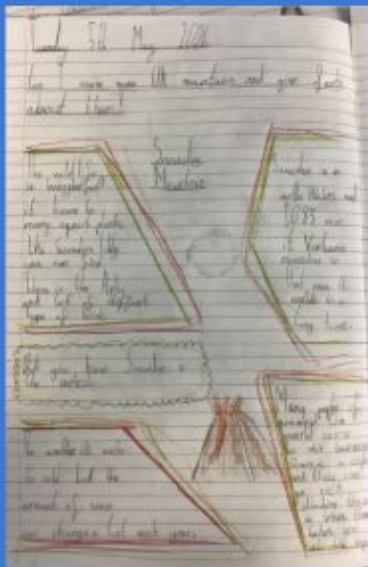


In **Science**, we have been learning about different electrical components and their roles within a circuit. We then made our own series circuits with fantastic results!



In **PE**, we worked in relay teams to pass a baton along a 60 metre track. Our teamwork was incredible, not to mention our speed! In **Art & Design**, we have been learning how to create atmospheric perspective by shading, cross-hatching and stippling.

Year 3: Ash & Fir Class



In **Art**, we used stippling, cross hatching and shading to create atmospheric perspective.

In **PE**, we practised how to quickly pass a relay baton before having a relay race.

In **Geography**, we researched UK mountains on the chromebooks and then created fact files to show what we learnt.



Year 4: Ash & Willow Class

Thursday 6th May

What challenges are faced by developing countries?

problem solution

- Diseases: 2/3 Peru coffee plants can get coffee rust which means the coffee plant will be ruined.
 - Farmers now can buy disease resistant plants and that means farmers won't lose their crops to diseases.
- Working alone: 77% of farmers work alone which means not much coffee will be grown.
 - Farmers can now group together. This allows farmers to buy equipment.
- Old Farming methods: This method takes a lot of time which means coffee won't be made for a long time because they have to grow it all.
 - Farmers now will be trained on how to make coffee better and faster.
- Price: Farmers that have a small business in Peru get paid very little for their coffee.
 - Now the fair-trade company will set a minimum price for coffee.



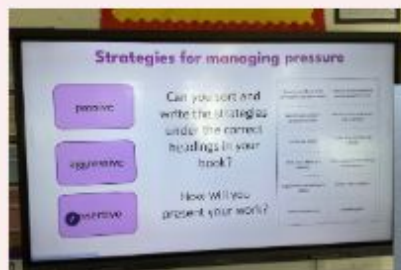
This week we have been learning about the problems faced by coffee farmers in Peru and how these can be solved. We have been exploring the colours used in Expressionist paintings and some of us got to take part in a maths session with all of the teachers about fractions.



Year 5: Oak & Yew Class



In Year 6 this week, we have been learning about extreme weather affects the way people lives in **Geography**, enjoyed a fun drama session with Millfield and been learning how to be assertive in our Health and Well Being topic in **Curriculum for Life**.



Year 6: Hazel & Rowan Class



Elmhurst Sports News



Jack was given the two medals last Sunday, one for taking part in the Frome rugby festival and the other as one of the players of the match for Tor, the team he plays for. It was the final game of the season and around 10 teams took part. Jack really enjoys his rugby and has shown great progress this year!



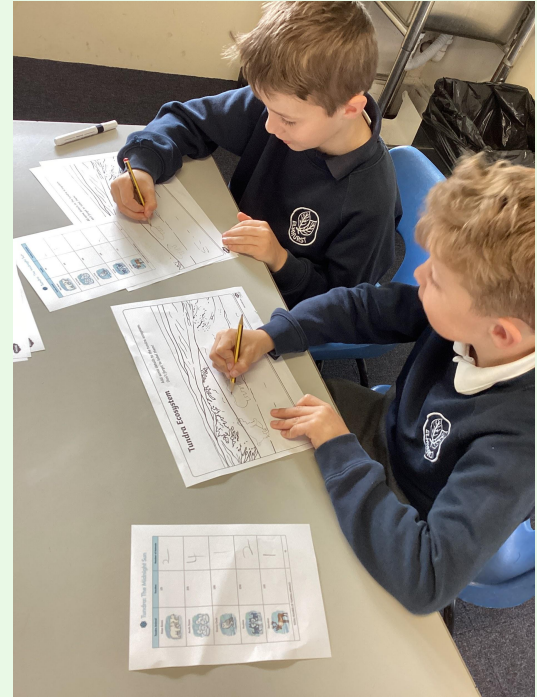
Well done to Georgia in Oak Class who has been awarded her stage 7 swimming certificate. We are extremely proud of her achievement and glad that she will be able to swim safely this summer.

Happy Birthday, Sir David!

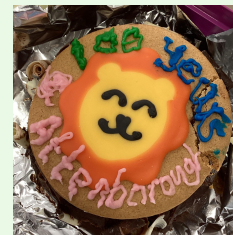
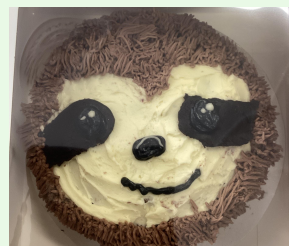
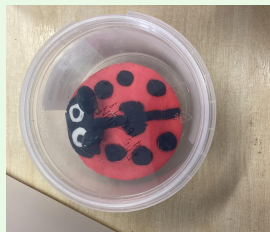
We had a fantastic day celebrating David Attenborough's 100th Birthday!



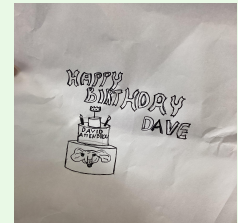
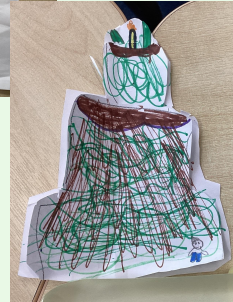
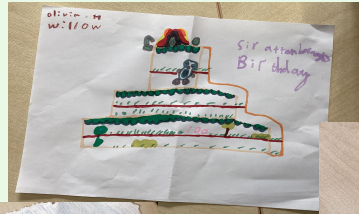
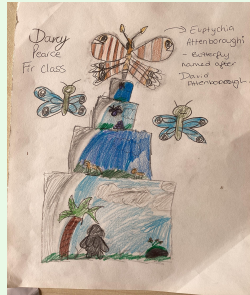
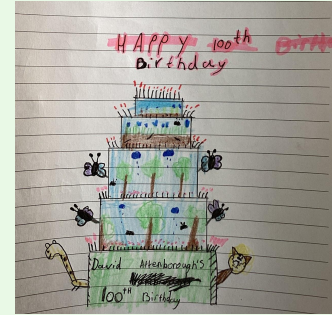
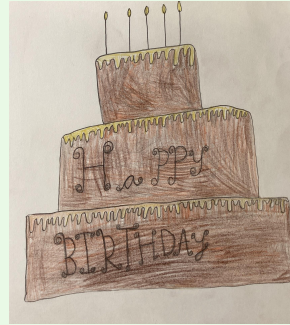
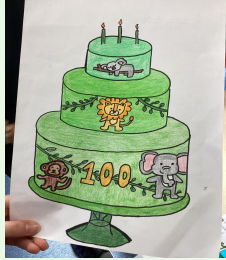
Year 3 used their fractions knowledge to calculate how many animals were needed in different ecosystems!



Birthday Cake Entries



Birthday Cake Design Entries



And the winners are...

