



Let Your Light Shine
Matthew 5:16

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Welcome to all our new children, families and staff. We are delighted to be getting to know you all. We are pleased to tell you that the children have made an excellent start and have quickly settled into new routines and responsibilities. They look smart and ready to learn and have been delighting us with their good manners and respectful behaviour towards staff and each other.

New adults in school

We welcome our new vicar, Reverend Lynne, two new trainee teachers Miss Hornsey and Mrs Jones, a new apprentice, Mr Thornton, and a new member of staff in EYFS, also Mrs Jones. We hope that you all enjoy being part of our Ellison Boulters school family.

Mrs Schofield

We are very sorry to be saying goodbye to Mrs Schofield this week and wish her the very best as she leaves us to embark on a promotion in a new role in a specialist school. We have loved having her here and we will miss her. We wish her every success and happiness in her new job. Thank you to Mrs Schofield for all of her hard work and dedication during her time with us.

FRIENDSHIP

Friendship is this term's school value. We will explore the value in our Collective Worship as well as in the classroom, in PHSE and on the playground as we learn to live well together. Please notice when your children show friendship to others this term and let them know that you have noticed.

Topics and WOW Days

Already school life is full of learning and opportunities. The Year 3 and Year 4 children have had an amazing WOW day to launch their new topic 'Active Planet'; there was great excitement on the playground when they made their volcanoes erupt!

Key Stage 1 will be studying Transport for their new topic; they designed, planned and built boats on their WOW Day and are doing a traffic survey when the weather permits.

Y5-6 are beginning with the African animal migration and human evolution before extending their learning to human migration through study of both historical and current day events.

Scothern Show

Mrs Kenworthy visited us and shared the names of the winners of categories in the Scothern Show.

The school supported the community by enabling children to create wonderful art work during school time. We will be giving out the prizes shortly.

Open the Book

We have welcomed back the 'Open the Book' team in Collective Worship and seven children helped them tell the story of David being chosen to be king from the Old Testament.

Achievers' Assemblies

We have held our first two Achievers' Assemblies in which children are noticed for being role models for our school values, for their academic achievements, achievements in the wider curriculum and we celebrate achievements beyond school too.

11 plus

Our year 6 children hoping to move to grammar school in Year 7 have completed their 11 plus tests.

Class Assemblies

The Class Assembly Timetable is attached - we will make every effort to keep to these dates but if a change of date is necessary we will let you know as soon as we can.

The first class assembly is Attenborough class (Mr Clark) on Friday 4th October at 9.10am.

Diary Dates

We have set key dates for the year. These also may have to change. Again, we will do our best to give advance notice if this happens.

School Clubs

Clubs are gradually starting. Young Voices, football, running club, Colouring Club, Recorder Club and the newly formed Scrapbook Club, in which children celebrate their favourite reading, have already started to meet and make plans. There are more opportunities coming up. Our amazing Y6 Lunchtime Helpers are already playing with the new children in EYFS and supporting them in the dining hall.

Bikeability - W/C 7th October

Year 6 Bikeability training is arranged for the week beginning Monday October 7th. **Please make sure that your children have their bicycles and helmets ready.** Mr Clark will be contacting you.

Young Voices Choir - Monday January 27th 2024 save the date

I know that you will want to be sure that you are available to go to the Young Voices Concert in Sheffield in the spring. The Y5 and 6 Young Voices Choir has reunited, with a few new members joining them, and are already practising once a week after school.

Times Table Rockstars

Mrs Arden has asked me to remind children to practice their Times Tables on TTRS. Battles begin straight after half term! Make sure that you are ready!

Spelling Shed

Spelling Shed is underway. Our spelling bees are waiting to see which will be their first class to celebrate with this term. Once you are logged on in your new class, start practising.

Parents' Evening

We will be holding Parents Evenings in school on the 15th and 16th October. Please remember to look out for the opportunity to book your time with your teachers. Mrs Patrick will let you know when and how to do this.

You do not need to wait until parents evening if you have any queries or concerns. It is best to deal with things as they arise. You can get in touch with your child's teacher either via the KS1 class email addresses or KS2 by emailing enquiries. We will arrange for someone to get back to you that day.

If you have concerns regarding Special Educational Needs (SEN), please get in touch with Mrs Carter through the school office; there will also be opportunities to meet with her on Parents' Evenings if you want to raise a concern.

Early eye tests

I have attached a letter from the NHS advising parents and school to be aware that children may need eye tests. Please read it so that you are aware of signs and symptoms.

FEBA Pre-Loved School Uniform Shop

Please do consider using the shop before purchasing anything brand new, especially when the cost of living is so high. We would be very grateful if anyone else could help to manage the stock and ensure that we display a variety of the items available. If this is something that you think you could help with, please let the school office know.

Harvest Festival - Thursday 3rd October and Foodbank Friday

We will be celebrating Harvest Festival in school. We will combine this with our first Foodbank Friday Collection the same week so that we can take all the food down from the Harvest Collection at the same time as any last minute donations on the Friday. If you are able to help with delivering the contributions or with Foodbank Fridays, please let the office know.

Any contributions are very gratefully received, however items that make up a typical food parcel include:

- Cereal
- Soup
- Pasta
- Rice
- Tinned tomatoes/ pasta sauce
- Lentils, beans and pulses
- Tinned meat
- Tinned vegetables
- Tea/coffee
- Tinned fruit
- Biscuits
- UHT milk
- Fruit juice
- (Toiletries also gratefully received)

Thank you for all the support that you give to us and our wider community. Please see the attached dates for further Foodbank Friday dates.

Gentle Reminder about government changes to school attendance

We wrote to you before the summer holiday. Please remember that we are no longer able to authorise absence during term time except in very exceptional circumstances. The Local Authority will now be issuing penalty notices for 10 or more unauthorised absences within a ten week period (every morning and every afternoon is counted as one absence) and will follow DfE guidance for any further absences, which may lead to fines and referrals to the Magistrates Court being issued by the LA.

Punctuality at the start of the day

We urge you to be punctual at the start of the day. It is very difficult for children to walk into a classroom when learning is already underway. It causes unnecessary anxiety simply because they are the only one doing it and everyone else looks up and notices. It is embarrassing for them. It is really important that children are able to benefit from being together for the very first part of the school day in which they can come in with their friends, have a quick catch up, get out what they need and make sure they are organised for lessons in a relaxed manner.

Car parking and safe driving

Punctuality does not need to be at the expense of driving safely around school in the morning. Thank you to everybody who continues to be mindful at drop off time and collection time. Please avoid using Mill Rise and driving fast near school at these busy times of day.

Macmillan Community Coffee

We are fundraising for Macmillan on Friday 27th September. Please bring any cake donations in on Friday and join us for coffee at 2.15pm.

Wake up Wednesday Guides

As part of our efforts to support you to keep your children safe online, I will continue to send out guidance. You can see these documents by following the links or by visiting our website.



Click the image to access through the link or visit the Ellison Boulters website at <https://www.ellisonboultersacademy.co.uk/>, Online Safety, Online Safety Guides, 2024-2025

SCHOOL UNIFORM

The uniform should be worn every day as follows: -

School Sweatshirt
White shirt/Polo shirt
Grey trousers/shorts
Sensible black shoes
Grey socks

School Sweatshirt/Cardigan
White shirt/Polo shirt
Grey skirt, dress or tailored trousers
Grey socks with trousers
Blue gingham dress
Grey or white socks or grey or black tights with skirts and dresses
Sensible black shoes

Sandals are permitted in the summer but socks must be worn

PE kits can be left in school.

PE: blue t shirts and black short, socks (white or grey), trainers

Please make sure that your children have tracksuits as the weather becomes colder.

Forest School: Children will need trousers and t-shirts or jumpers that they can be outside in and that are not their best outfits! They need sensible footwear for the weather ie wellies if it is damp and sturdy trainers for fine days.

Warm, waterproof coats are needed on cold days, cagoules on wet days.

Parents may purchase school sweatshirts, cardigans, PE T-shirts, school book bags or PE bags at the school office.

All uniform MUST be clearly labelled with the child's name.

Please make sure that children with ear rings only wear studs and no more than one per ear. Thank you.

Fundraising this term

We have several fundraising events before Christmas. Please do not feel obliged to support them all. They will include: Macmillan, Children In Need, St Barnabas Hospice, Remembrance poppy Collection, Foodbank Fridays and Harvest Festival.

Recommended Reads

We encourage children to find books that they enjoy and that interest them. I have found several very different books for various ages of reader. I hope that you are tempted to find out about them and share them with your children.



A Little Blue Dot: Meet the planets and discover why Earth is so special in this heart-warming story about our solar system. Somewhere in our vast universe floats a little blue dot. . Earth feels small and insignificant, until the other planets tell her why she is the envy of them all. And then another little voice, very close by, has something important to say...

The Unmapped Chronicles (4 Book set or can be separately purchased)

Rumblestar (Volume 1) : Adventures are unpredictable and often terribly badly behaved...

Jungledrop (Volume 2): Nothing, and I mean nothing, is more powerful than a child in possession of a plan.

The Crackledawn Dragon (Volume 3) : 11-year-old Zebedee Bolt is on the run. Again. Only this time it's not the police who find him. It's an evil harpy called Morg. When magic's involved, you've got to pick a side.

Everdark (The Unmapped Chronicles): It is midnight in Crackledawn – a midnight full of magic. Sea dragons stir in the depths of the ocean, silver whales surface beneath the moon and sand goblins line the shores. Everyone is waiting for the phoenix, the guardian of the kingdom's magic, to rise up from the forests of Everdark. But there is no sign of the phoenix tonight.

Volcanoes and Earthquakes: Have you ever wondered what it feels like to be in an earthquake, or close to a volcano when it erupts? With lots of flaps to lift, this book takes you on a tour of shaking cities and rumbling volcanoes to discover why these forces happen, how they shape our planet, and how people live in places where they strike.

Thank you for a great start to the school year and for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries or concerns.

Mrs Carter
Deputy Headteacher

Class Assemblies 2024 - 2025

	Date	Class
1	04.10.24	Mr Clark – Attenborough Class
2	11.10.24	Mr Rear – Palmer Class
3	18.10.24	Mrs Hauton – Maathai Class
4	14.02.25	Mrs Murphy – Zealous Zebras
5	07.03.25	Ms Clark – Floella Class
6	28.03.25	Miss Toyne – Kusama Class
7	04.04.25	Mrs Arden – Pankhurst Class
8	02.05.25	Mrs Reed – Polite Penguins
9	09.05.25	Mrs Randman – Respectful Raccoons
10	23.05.23	Miss Sellers & Mrs Bristow – Cheerful Cheetahs