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## *Newsletter 20*

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

 Letters sent home this week <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Parents' Evening Letter</li> <li>2. Trip to Redwood Outdoor Centre</li> <li>3. Morfa Bay (June 2017) : Final Payment Date Letter &amp; Medical Forms</li> </ol>	<p>To</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Eldest and only Whole School</li> <li>2. EYFS - Reception</li> <li>3. Year 6</li> </ol>
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### Royal Mail Art Competition

We would like to offer children the chance to enter the Royal Mail Christmas Stamp design completion. The theme is **'What does the Christmas season mean to you?'**. Children can design an image that best describes what the festive period means to them. Up to £1,000 in vouchers for themselves and for the school can be won. We have lots of talented artists at Elm Park and if you would like to take part, please see Miss Jones for more information. We look forward to seeing lots of fantastic designs by Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March  
*Miss Polly Jones – Art Leader*



### World Book Day – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

The children are invited to dress up for World Book Day. The themes are:  
 Reception and KS1 – a character from a Julia Donaldson Book.  
 KS2 – a character from a Roald Dahl book.

### Book Fair

The book fair will be open from Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March. Do come along and have a look after school (3:30-4pm each day). The school receives a good amount of commission on all sales, which we use to keep topping up the book corners in each classroom.



**Can you spare an hour to support reading in our school?**

As always, we would warmly welcome members of our school community to support 1:1 reading across the school. Please see Mrs Gibbon or send a message via the office if this is something you think you could help with. Many thanks in advance.

**FREE Online safety Parents' Meeting – 13<sup>th</sup> March**

We have arranged for a visitor – Mrs Jo Briscoe - to come to the school to lead a session for parents about how to keep your child safe online (e.g. when they are using mobile phones, tablets, computers etc). Mrs Briscoe is an ICT advisor for South Gloucestershire, an Ofsted inspector and one of our Governors, so she really knows her stuff! This session will take place on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March from 2.30-3:30pm. As an incentive to attend, all children whose parents/carers attend will have their names entered into a prize draw.

We would encourage all parents to attend if they can. It will be especially helpful if your child has use of a mobile phone or other device already, or if you plan for them to have such items in the future.

Please contact the school office to book your place by 10<sup>th</sup> March.

**Fromeside Gym Club KS1**

Maple and Beech class have very much enjoyed their term of gymnastics at Fromeside Gym club. They have learnt many new skills on the sprung floor, beam, vault and bars. Thank you to the parents that helped walk each week. Pine class will be attending Fromeside for 5 weeks starting 8<sup>th</sup> March at 1.15pm. Please let the class teacher know if you can help walk.



**Run Together**

Myself and the 'Run Together' Leader at Frampton C of E School are starting a new FREE couch to 5K Group on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February. It will start at 2pm (last up to 50 minutes) on Crossbow Fields and run for six weeks. It has been timed to enable members to return to local schools for end of day pick up.

The course starts with a fast walk and builds up to running. Very relaxed and hopefully FUN! It would be lovely to see some Elm Park faces there. ☺

*Mrs Cathie Walsh*



**Forthcoming PTA Events:**

Quiz and Pie night 17 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food provided by Mrs Deb Moore as part of the ticket price.</li> <li>• Teams need to book in advance – please contact the PTA via the school office to register a team.</li> <li>• Adult only event.</li> <li>• More details to follow.</li> </ul>
Mothers' Day sale 21 <sup>st</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presents to purchase for a small fee (usually £2).</li> <li>• Older siblings usually collect younger siblings to choose gifts together.</li> <li>• If you would like to help with this event, please contact the PTA (via the school office).</li> </ul>
Fathers' Day Sale XX June (TBC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presents to purchase for a small fee (usually £2).</li> <li>• Older siblings usually collect younger siblings to choose gifts together.</li> <li>• If you would like to help with this event, please contact the PTA (via the school office).</li> </ul>
Summer Fair Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Main school event of the year.</li> <li>• Usually between 11am -2pm.</li> <li>• Volunteers needed to help organise the event as well as to help on the day. If you can help, please contact the PTA via the school office.</li> <li>• Further information to follow.</li> </ul>
End of year disco XX July (TBC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KS1/R 3:30-4:30 (collection from Infant Playground);</li> <li>• KS2 4:45-6pm (collection from main school entrance). Pay on arrival.</li> <li>• Entry fee £2. Payments for Infant children in clearly marked envelopes please.</li> <li>• Parent/carer volunteers to assist on the stalls are welcome – sign up in the lobby.</li> </ul>

Find us on Facebook for easy updates: <https://www.facebook.com/ElmParkPTAWinterbourne2015/>



**Writers of the Week** – The 'Writers of the Week' initiative rewards excellent writing in each class.

Each week teachers choose one piece of writing which has impressed during the week. These are displayed in the hall of the whole school writing board to showcase the high quality of writing at Elm Park and also enable children to feel proud of their achievement. This week's Writers of the Week are: **Finley Hutt, Cody Britton, William Loveridge, Ollie Cameron, William Hart, Lilia Killourhey, Issica Ford, Keira Dickinson, Martha Wilton, Eric Ramsey-Wade and James Murphy - Well done!** 😊



**Stars of the Week!**

*Each week the teacher(s) in each class nominate a child who has made a significant achievement during the week, or who impressed the teacher as a result of their positive attitude to learning. In our assembly on Friday, the children receive a special 'Elm Park Star' Certificate and a Head Teacher's Award.*

- Catkins – **Caleb Stroud** – For always trying his best and being so kind to his classmates! 😊
- Acorns - **Erin Tewson** – For making a great worm display. Super creative thinking! 😊
- Pine – **Mason Rodriguez** – For being a super star in Maths all week! 😊
- Beech – **Lucas Millett** – Working super hard to make improvements in all areas of his learning! 😊
- Maple – **Willow Mackay** – For putting lots of effort into her maths learning! 😊
- Willow- **Crystal Johnstone** – For amazing effort in Maths all week! 😊
- Chestnut – **Max Philpott** – For making an excellent start to the term! 😊
- Oak – **Mia Hammond** – For a super attitude towards all of her learning! 😊
- Hazel – **Owen White** – For an excellent attitude and effort in your school work! 😊
- Cedar- **Leo Smith** – For excellent effort in all lessons and working extremely hard! 😊
- Elm – **Harry Alden** – For being an enthusiastic learner in all areas! 😊

## This Week's Lunch break Stars (awarded by Lunch Break Supervisors)

- KS1 **Noah Corin** – For impeccable manners ☺  
**Matthew Rodriguez** – For always eating his lunch ☺
- KS2 **Shirley Ayres** – For always being happy and helpful ☺  
**Matthew Gregory** – For always being polite and helpful ☺

**This Week's House winner is: Sherwood – well done!** ☺

### Dates 2016 / 17

DATE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	EVENT
<b>Term 4</b>				
27/02/17	Monday	all day		Dance workshops in the hall – various year groups
28/02/17	Tuesday	All day		Dance workshops in the hall – various year groups
01/03/17	Wednesday			Y6 parents notified about secondary places for September 2017
02/03/17	Thursday	All Day		World Book Day – dressing up!
07/03/17	Tuesday	4:00pm	7:00pm	Parents' evening
09/03/17	Thursday	4:00pm	6:00pm	Parents' evening
10/03/17	Friday	2.45pm	3.20pm	Oak Class Sharing Assembly
13/03/17	Monday	2:30pm	3:30pm	Parents' meeting about online safety
17/03/17	Friday	2.45pm	3.20pm	Maple Class Sharing Assembly
17/03/17	Friday			PTA Quiz and pie night
21/03/17	Tuesday			PTA Mothers' Day sale
24/03/17	Friday	2.45pm	3.20pm	EYFS (Reception) Sharing Assembly
31/03/17	Friday	2:45pm	3:20pm	Cup assembly
07/04/17	Friday			End of term 4 NO ASSEMBLY TODAY
18/04/17	Tuesday			Parents notified about primary school places for September 2017
<b>Term 5</b>				
24/04/17	Monday			Term 5 begins
27/04/17	Thursday			Morfa Bay (June 2017) Deadline for final payment
01/05/17	Monday			Bank holiday – school closed
05/05/17	Friday	2.45pm	3.20pm	Beech Class Sharing Assembly
08/05/16	Mon-Thurs	am		Y6 SATs week
12/05/17	Friday	2.45pm	3.20pm	Willow Class Sharing Assembly
19/05/17	Friday	2:45pm	3:20pm	Hazel Class Sharing Assembly and Cup Assembly
23/05/17	Tuesday	2:30pm	3:30pm	PiP meeting
24/05/17	Wednesday	1:00pm	3:30pm	Sports' afternoon
25/05/17	Thursday			End of term 5
26/05/17	Friday	All day		INSET DAY 5
<b>Term 6</b>				
05/06/17	Monday			Term 6 begins
09/06/17	Friday	2.45pm	3.20pm	Pine Class Sharing Assembly
12/06/17	Monday	9.30am		Year 6 to Morfa Bay. 12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> June
23/06/17	Friday	2.45pm	3.20pm	Cedar Class Sharing Assembly
30/06/17	Friday	2.45pm	3.20pm	EYFS Sharing Assembly
07/07/17	Friday	2.45pm	3.20pm	Chestnut Sharing Assembly
07/07/17	Friday			Reports come home
11/07/17	Tuesday	2:45pm	3:20pm	PiP planning meeting for 2017-18
14/07/17	Friday	2:45pm	3:20pm	Cups' assembly
18/07/17	Tuesday	2:00pm	3:00pm	Y6 Performance to parents
18/07/17	Tuesday	6:00pm	7:00pm	Y6 Performance to parents
21/07/17	Friday	9:00am	9:30am	Y6 Leavers' assembly
21/07/17	Friday			End of Term 6 NO ASSEMBLY
<b>Term 1</b>				
01/09/17	Friday			INSET DAY 1
04/09/17	Monday			Term begins for children
05/10/17	Friday			End of Term 1
30/10/17	Monday			Term 2 begins
15/12/17	Friday			End of Term 2 (for children)

18/12/17	Monday			INSET DAY 2
02/01/18	Tuesday			Term 3 begins
09/02/18	Friday			End of Term 3
19/02/18	Monday			Term 4 begins
23/03/18	Friday			End of Term 4
09/04/18	Monday			Term 5 begins
25/05/18	Friday			End of Term 5
04/06/18	Monday			Term 6 begins
20/07/18	Friday			End of Term 6

### **School Menu**

There will be a slight change to the lunch menu next week – on Tuesday there will be various pizzas, herby diced potatoes, flapjack and ice cream. This is to accommodate our St David's Day lunch on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March – Chicken and Leek Pie.

