



## Dates for your diary

Last day Term 4 – 27.03.2024

INSET Day – 28.03.2024

Term 5 – 15.04.2024

Bang Day for children – 16.04.2024

St George's Day Lunch – 23.04.2024

Year 4 families staying for lunch –  
12:20pm 25.04.2024

PTFA meeting 6pm – 9.05.2024

SATs week Year 6 – 13 – 17.05.2024

Year 5 families stay for lunch 23.05.2024  
at 12:20pm

Last day of term 5 – 24.05.2024

Tuck shop at 3:30pm – 24.05.2024



These are thank you messages from you.  
Thank you for:

Supporting our children and families.

The trips and the extra bits you all do.

EVERYTHING!

Looking after and caring for our children



Elm Park Cup



Points so far...

1<sup>st</sup> – Blue - 724

2<sup>nd</sup> – Green - 592

3<sup>rd</sup> – Yellow - 472

4<sup>th</sup> – Red - 458



Dear Families, I cannot believe how quickly this academic year seems to be flying by. It seems only a few days ago that the grass was covered in dew with Autumn fully entrenched. Now, buds are blossoming and summer is slowly arriving!

What an incredible few weeks we have had at Elm Park! There is so much to share!

**Inspiring:** It seems like weeks ago that Elm Park flung open its doors to welcome you all to join the STEM family challenge! The STEM focus for this year was linked to time and so we were excited to see classrooms filled with families eager to enjoy time together. This year's challenge saw families working together to make a timer, which would time 10 seconds. By the end of the session, classrooms were filled with offcuts of cardboard, cellotape and sand. Smiles and laughter filled the room as everyone took the opportunity to see if the timer would a. stay together and b. time for 10 minutes. I can honestly say, the creativity you all showed was incredible! A huge well done to all who were able to take part.

**Enriching:** A trip or two... Our wonderful year 6 children jumped on the coach and headed to life skills centre in Bristol. During their time at the centre, they learnt valuable life saving techniques such as how to call for an ambulance, how to report a crime and also how to stay safe when walking across a busy road. I won't share too much information as it will spoil things for children going next year... let's just say the children came back with a sense of excitement and responsibility. Well done Year 6! You represented Elm Park incredibly well with Life Skills contacting me to thank me for sending such an amazing group of children!

**Trip number 2 saw our year 1 and 2 classes heading to Bristol Zoo Project.**

This was linked to the children's Connected Curriculum question: How do animals and humans survive in hot places? The children were able to explore the project, look at how different animals have evolved over time to be able to withstand the climates they live in and also have a rather exciting lunchtime in the play area! Very sleepy small people climbed off of the coach at the end of the day. Their faces were very smiley but I think they would have all slept very well that evening.

**Ending the term on a high.**

Wow day took place this week and saw the school turn into a gastronomic centre of excellence! Children throughout the school showcased their amazing talents of cooking, sewing, cutting, grating and making! The school continues to have a waft of curry even now! What incredibly talented children we have at Elm Park, I think we may see some entering The Great British Sewing Bee or Bake Off in the coming years!

**Achieving:** Finally, what a response we had from our families at parents evening! It was wonderful to see the hall filled with parents hearing about their children's successes. During the evening, myself and some of our Governing Body handed out feedback forms. I was so humbled to read all of the incredible comments shared by you all. On a personal note, I wanted to thank you all for recognising the hard work and dedication all staff have at Elm Park. Your words meant an awful lot to us all.

Our Governing Body will be reviewing your feedback and will update you on how we can continue to make tweaks to our school to make it even better for your children.

Wishing you all a wonderful Easter break and looking forward to welcoming you all back for an exciting summer term!

Carol Bond and all of the team at Elm Park