

Elm Park Newsletter

Friday 11th September

Inspiring learners, enriching lives, achieving together



Message from Mrs Lugg

What a wonderful start to the new school year we have had! It has been lovely to welcome back all our children and families as well as meeting our Reception and other new families.

We have started the term with some great learning opportunities already. On Thursday, it was our Bang Day to kick off our new Connected Curriculum topics. Y1 and Y2 became geography explorers for the day, developing their map-reading and geographical skills as they took an imaginary train journey to London. Y3 and Y4 headed off to Huckford Quarry, where they enjoyed a fascinating session with a visitor from the Bristol Avon Rivers Trust. They learned more about our local environment and rivers, as well as exploring the living creatures in the river. Y5 and Y6 stepped into the world of the rainforest with an exciting drama workshop. Through drama, movement and imagination, they explored the sights, sounds and creatures of this incredible habitat, bringing their new topic to life. It was wonderful to see the children so enthusiastic, curious and engaged throughout the day. We can't wait to see where our Connected Curriculum learning takes us next!

Please take a moment to have a good look through the school calendar dates that were sent out yesterday. We have tried to give you as much notice as possible for some of our key events such as Sports Day, parent lunches, assemblies and parents meetings. I'm sure there will be others to add as the year goes on, which will be added to the 'Upcoming events' section of the newsletter each fortnight.

The theme of our assemblies this term will be Belonging. We have already been learning that we all have a place in our school community, where we are wanted, valued and accepted for who we are. We have also been celebrating the unique talents and skills that each of us brings, recognising that everyone has an important part to play.

Thank you for all your support as we start the new school year.





Upcoming Events

- 15.9.26 PTFA AGM 7:30pm
- 16.9.26 – Individual school photos
- 18.9.26 – Y5 Deanfield day and sleepover
- 22.9.26 – Y6 Lifeskills visit
- 28.9.26 INSET DAY
- 1.10.26 – Start of Black History Month
- 5.10.26 – Harvest Assembly 9:00 all welcome
- 7.10.26 – New Reception Open Morning 2027-28 9:30
- 8.10.26 – Little City workshop for Reception
- 9.10.26 – World Mental Health Day activities

Important Reminders

- Please only park in the carpark if you have a blue badge and permission from school.
- We are a nut-free school. Please ensure no items with nuts are brought in.
- Please be responsible for your children in the playground before and after school.

Our Year 6 House Captains have been elected! The children shared their ideas and demonstrated some fantastic leadership qualities before voting took place. We are incredibly proud of everyone who put themselves forward and look forward to seeing our new House Captains lead and inspire their teams throughout the year.

Green – Josh and Jax
Yellow – Noah and Shania
Red – Maisie and Stan
Blue – Lucas and Elizabeth



Year 5 in their Rainforest drama workshop.



Year 4 at the river.