Glebelands News

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It has been a wonderful start to the second half of the term, and we would like to congratulate all of our children on such a positive first week back. The school has been full of enthusiasm, and lots of excellent learning has already taken place across all year groups.

This week, Mrs Laws has introduced the books shortlisted for this year's Read It Again Awards. These fantastic stories will be shared across the school over the coming weeks, and we are excited to see which title will be chosen as the overall winner this year.

Today, our Year 4 pupils are visiting the Museum of Zoology, and we look forward to hearing all about their experiences when they return. We have already enjoyed a visit from the museum in school this term, so we know they are in for a real treat.

In Year 6, pupils have been writing thoughtful and reflective Remembrance poems in anticipation of Remembrance Day next week. We are also very proud that a small number of Year 6 children will be representing the school at the local Remembrance Parade on Sunday alongside Mrs English. If your child is taking part in the parade with another organisation, please do feel free to send a photograph into school so that we can acknowledge and celebrate their contribution to this important community event.

Poppy sales will continue in school until next Wednesday. We will then come together as a school community to observe a minute's silence at 11:00am as we mark Remembrance Day and reflect on the sacrifices made by so many.

Ely Food Bank Thank You

We would like to say a heartfelt thank you for your generous Harvest donation of 128.1kg, which will provide 305 meals for people in crisis across our community.

At Ely Foodbank, we believe that no one should have to choose between heating their home, paying rent, or putting food on the table. We are there to provide not only emergency food, but also support and connection to advice through our partnership with other organisations. A food bank visit is about more than just food. It is about compassion, hope, dignity, and a path forward. It is only through the kindness of supporters like you that we can continue this work.

Anti-Bullying Week and Children in Need

The week beginning 16th November is anti-bullying week. To start the week off, we are asking everyone to come to school in odd socks on Monday 16th November. Throughout the week, classes will be taking part in lessons around this theme. In addition to this, Friday 20th November is Children in Need day. All children are invited to come to school in their pyjamas on Friday. We will be collecting cash donations in class for this worthy cause.

School Attendance

Please find the class weekly attendance figures below:

BIRCH	91.03%	CEDAR	92.76%
ELM	92.50%	HAWTHORN	97.24%
MAPLE	95.00%	WILLOW	97.67%
ALDER	97.59%	HAZEL	95.36%
ASH	95.00%	COPPER BEECH	97.42%
OAK	96.88%	POPLAR	94.64%
CHESTNUT	96.00%	SYCAMORE	91.03%

Overall weekly attendance for the whole school 95.06%.

Phonics

We want to keep you up to date with the sounds we have been focusing on each week as this will help you to support your child at home.

In FS we have been learning: ss, l, ll eg fill, doll, mess In

Year One, our new GPC is ir eg girl, bird, first

Glebelands People

These are posted on our school website the weekend after the children have been awarded their stickers in assembly, so please take a look!

School Meals

Please find next week's menu attached.

Glebelands House Standings

Shooting Stars - Yellow: 61
Blue Lightning - Blue: 62
Sparkling Spaceships - Green 41
Inferno Fire - Red : 38

Questions of the week

We are aware that sometimes it is tricky for children to talk to parents about their learning from the week or that sometimes you get the answer "nothing" when asking children what they've learned at school. Therefore, we are going to provide a prompt question for each year group every week, that you can ask your child and get them talking about their amazing learning.

EYFS: What is your favourite kind of soup?

Year 1: Can you retell the story of our smelly walk?

Year 2: Who wrote about the Great Fire of London in their diary?

Year 3: Calculate the sum of 49 + 12 using column addition.

Year 4: What did you enjoy most about our trip to the Zoology museum, and why?

Year 5: What are biomes?

Year 6: What does DNA stand for?

Dates

9 November—Y4 Trip to West Stow Anglo Saxon Village
1 December—EYFS Nativity 14:30
2 December—EYFS Nativity 10:00
3 December—Y3 Trip to Flag Fen
8 December—Year 1 Christingle 14:30
10 December—Christmas Jumper Day
10 December—Year 2 Christmas Performance 14:00
16 December—Christmas Dinner
18 December—Last Day of The Autumn Term
4 January—Training Day (No children in school)
5 January—Frist Day of The Spring Term
13-15 January—Year 4 Residential to Burwell House
15-19 February—Half Term
4 March—Year 5 Trip to The National Space Centre
25 March—Last Day of The Spring Term
12 April—Training Day (No children in school)
3 May—Bank Holiday (No children in school)
31 May—4 June—Half Term
7 June—Training Day—(No children in school)
7-9 July—Year 5 Residential to Caythorpe Court
21 July—Last Day of the Academic Year