

Elm Green Newsletter



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Summer Term Issue 2

Congratulations to Everyone

We have completed the first week of remote teaching and learning in the summer term. Our children, our parents, our teachers and teaching assistants have all worked very hard to get off to a successful start. Children have submitted some amazing work and some examples are shown overleaf. In PSHCEE, Lily-Rose in Y6 designed a really helpful LOCKDOWN poster and Oscar in Y5 wrote his poetic thoughts.

There have been teething issues and continuing technical problems for some, but please continue to contact admin@elmgreen.essex.sch.uk with feedback and queries that are helping us to amend and adapt as we go forward. We are very grateful to everyone for their continuing patience and understanding and also for the many very positive, appreciative and kind messages of support from parents.

Please remember to 'hand-in' the registration video each day when it has been seen. This helps us to 'register' the children. Remember to use the channels in TEAMS to communicate questions or comments around the assignments and never hesitate to contact Mrs Milner at any time. Most importantly please take the greatest of care and continue to stay safe and well.

A New Baby

Congratulations to the Palmer family who welcomed their new baby girl, Eloise on 19th April. All is well and I am sure Freddie in 1B is enjoying the time at home with his new baby sister.

The Magnificent Seven

Our budding chess champions managed by our chess coach, Mr Slade, have continued to play remotely and are even entering some tournaments. Some of our younger players have recently signed up and any other young players would be welcome. Please contact the school office for details of how to join.



Well Done Girls!

After qualifying to participate in the area finals, our girls' gym team successfully competed very early one Sunday morning back in March. The photo shows Sofia, Emily, Caitlin, Olive and Eleanor (all Y4) displaying their medals, certificates and very happy smiles.

Thank you to Mrs West, for inspiring the children who attend the gym club and the PE department as well as all the parents who supported the event on the day. Congratulations.



How to...Lock down



How to Organise Your Day

If you want to organise your day, then create a timetable! Creating a timetable is easy peasy. You just draw a table. Then, down the side, put the days of the week, and along the top, put the times. Fill in your activities, and there you go! Your very own timetable! Now enjoy using this every day, to be more organised.

E-Safety tips for online school:

- Do exactly what your teacher tells you
- Only visit the websites that your teacher tells you to visit
- If notifications pop up, tell your parent/guardian and your teacher
- DO NOT accept an invites or adverts - just tell your carer
- Have fun (but not too much fun!).

How to keep a routine

A brilliant idea to keep a routine going is a sticker chart. This is a chart that has all of the chores or things you need to do down the side. Then, every time that you do one of them, you put a sticker or a tick next to it. Once you have completed a whole line, then you can have your favourite snack (your parents have to be okay with this though).

How to cope in isolation

I know, I know. It is really hard to cope without seeing all of your friends and family for a while. But I have a solution...

Ask your parents/guardians to use their phone, tablet or computer (unless you have your own). You can easily face time them without using Skype or Whatsapp. You can search 'Zoom' on Google. Zoom is a face time 'app' that you can use to speak to your friends and family, and it's free! And remember to ask your parents first though! Another thing that you can do is occupy yourself with various things, such as: baking; exercise; learning something new; or playing games with your family. It is crucial to keep your brain and body in function, for your health and wellbeing.

By Lily-Rose Bott

Covid-19 by Oscar 5E

We fell asleep in one place and woke up in another. All seems so strange, what is the matter? Schools have closed and non-essential work too. At the start we really didn't know what to do! Shops were empty and shelves were bare, No toilet paper, pasta or even hand sanitiser was there. Doors were shut, people safe in one space, only families who lived in their own place. Flights were cancelled in and out, our holiday was sadly way out of sight. Disney shut, no more magic. Everything seemed to be a quite tragic. Our Queen has spoken, she sent her wishes and thanks to all the NHS and essential workers. Every Thursday we clap to show our appreciation to all our hard working and lovely nation. Hugs, kisses and shaking hands too became something we weren't allowed to do. Staying away from family and friends became an act of kindness and love which we have to see through. Missing nans, grandads and siblings too; I cannot wait to see my funny friends at school. Our Prime Minster has been doing the best job, I hope he's better and back with us soon. Rainbows have gone up in windows and doors to help keep our spirits up and cheer the workers outdoors. All we can do is to sit and wait for all this to end and get back to our normal state. So please people listen and stay safe in doors and next time I see you we can have huge applause!

Elm Green's Birthday Celebration for the Queen

Thank you to everyone who has already sent in their work. Can you create a collage, paint or draw a picture, bake/decorate a cake, design a birthday hat, write a poem or special message for her and send it in?

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