

Elm Green Newsletter



4th November 2024

Autumn Term



Remembrance Day—Monday 11th November

Poppies will be on sale on the Sportsfield before school and in school during the school day this week to commemorate Remembrance Day. Thank you, in advance, to everyone for supporting our Poppy Appeal and well done to our two Head Prefects, Tilly (6E) and Oliver (6H) who will be selling poppies to the entire school community. The small stick-on poppies are available for a donation of any amount, the metal clasps cost £2, the luminous click-on poppies are £1 and the wrist bands are 50p.

Thank You for Donations to our Harvest Collection

Thank you for the generous donations of food items, already received, for our Harvest Celebration. This collection, started by the School Council before half term, will continue through this week. Any donations of non-perishable items e.g. cans, packets and boxes are very welcome. Your support and generosity will help those who are less fortunate than ourselves and will be greatly appreciated at the local food banks making a real difference to many this winter. Thank you for your generosity.



Congratulations and Well Done to 2W

The children in Y2—pictured above—entertained the whole school and their parents in their recent class assembly on the theme of Moses. The children all looked splendid and remembered their parts and songs very well but, most importantly they all enjoyed performing this to everyone.

Thank you to Mrs West, Mrs Rackcliff, who sadly couldn't attend on the day, Mrs Boyle who stepped in to help at short notice and Mrs Cussell.

Y1—Y5 will present a class assembly in one of our Tuesday assemblies and parents are very welcome to come along and watch and be part of the occasion. The next class assembly will be 3CP on Tuesday 12th Nov. Parents may drive carefully down Parsonage Lane and park on the Lower Playground for these assemblies.

Parking—A Polite Reminder

Unfortunately, we were once again advised before half term, that parents arriving to collect children from Second Line are often unable to park at the Sports Field car park and this has created difficulties. Consequently, we would like to politely remind parents, who are collecting children from First Line, to leave the field and vacate the car park promptly to make space for the next set of arrivals. Thank you!

School Photographs—Monday 11th November

Photographers will be in school to take class, individual and family photographs on **Monday 11 November**. Children should be in smart winter uniform ideally with girls in red tights and boys in long trousers. All children will need their school sweater in school and girls with longer hair should have this fastened or tied back with red, grey or white hair bands or ribbons. Children may bring a comb or hairbrush but will be discouraged from sharing these with friends!

Art Competition

The art competition this term is on the theme of 'A Day at the Beach' and the judges will be looking for creativity and imagination in your drawing, painting or 3D model. Entries will be judged in year groups or classes. All entries will receive a sticker and there will be prizes for the winners. Please give your entries to Sophia H (6E) or Mrs Watson. All entries must be handed in by **Friday 29 November**.

The Annual Bookfair

We will be hosting this on **Wednesday 13 November** in the library. There will be a wide range of books, fiction and non-fiction ranging in price from £5.99—£12.99. The school will receive commission on all books sold and this will be used to refresh the library stock. Your child/ren will visit the Bookfair during the day with their teachers but it will remain open until approximately 4.00pm to allow time for parents to visit and for Kindergarten children to visit with their parents. Mrs Bradley has sent home a letter with a permission slip to indicate how many books your child may purchase if you wish them to do so. Please return this slip to the school office by **Monday 11 November**. Thank you for your support in fostering a love of reading and helping to make Elm Green a community of life-long readers.

School Diary

Mon	4th	Nov	Return from half term Yoga Club begins—main hall—3.30-4.30pm
Tues	5th	Nov	Y5/6 Netball Fixture v Gateway (H)- 2.30pm NO SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
Thu	7th	Nov	ABRSM Exams
Fri	8th	Nov	Y6 Curriculum Meeting –Library– 8.45am Y5/6 Netball Fixture (A) New Hall - 2.30am Harvest Collection to Food Banks
Mon	11th	Nov	Individual, Class and Family photos
Tues	12th	Nov	3CP Class Assembly—main hall—9.00am Chelmsford Schools Y2, 3 & 4 Cross Country (A) NO YEAR 5/6 SPORTS CLUB
Wed	13th	Nov	Bookfair—Library– all day
Thu	14th	Nov	KG, Y1 and Y2 Consultations—main hall
Fri	15th	Nov	Uniform Shop is open—8.15am Y5/6 Girls Hockey v New Hall (A)
Sat	16th	Nov	LBSC AGM—Pavilion—10.00am
Mon	18th	Nov	ISEB Y6 Exams in School Prep Interim Reports out
Tues	19th	Nov	5W Class Assembly—main hall—9.00am KG—Y2 Open Classrooms—2.30pm
Wed	20th	Nov	KG—Y2 Open Classrooms—2.30pm
Thur	21st	Nov	Y3—Y5 Consultations—main hall

Cross Country

The cross country season has arrived and the PE department would be very grateful if parents could send in an OLD pair of trainers or football boots of any colour for their child to wear for these lessons—it is very muddy in the woodland at present!

Advance Notice

The very popular Interhouse Cross Country Run for Y3—Y6 will take place on **Friday 22 November**. The Y3 and Y4 race will start from the school at 1.35pm approx. The Y5 and Y6 race will start from the school at 2.20pm approx. Both events will end on the Sports Field. Parents and spectators are welcome to watch the start of the races and then cheer the children on as they run up Parsonage Lane and around the Field to the finish line!