Weekly Newsletter

03.05.2024





Winning Class for Week Ending 26.04.2024

Shireen Class: 98.41%

Whole School: 97.12%

90-94%

95-97%

98-99%

100%

Upcoming Dates:

6th May: Bank Holiday: No school

8th May: Reception: Ladybird Boat Trip & Houghton Lock

9th May: Year 1 & 2: Ramsey Heights Trip

W/C 13th May: KS2 SATS Week (Year 6): Late Lunch for All (12:30pm – pupils can bring in an extra snack)

17th May: FOES Disco - see flyer

W/C 20th May: KS1 Optional SATS Week (Year 2): all year 2s in ALT schools will complete.

W/C 20th May: Healthy Week, including Sports Day on the Friday: 1pm start/gates open.

Mrs Watson: Longstanding Service

Congratulations to Mrs Watson who has now reached her 20 year milestone – commemorating continuous hard work and support for Earith Primary School. On behalf of the Earith community, thank you Mrs Watson for all you've done and continue to do – lots of which is *above* & *beyond*!



School Council Catch-up

Feedback on the new field rota – pupils loving the ability to play on the activity cube and scooter three lunchtimes a week! Spreading our wings and getting back on the field has been wonderful. Rolling down the hill is always a popular favourite!

Whole-school views on how we operate buddies sought. Pupils gave us feedback as to whether they thought LKS2 would also make good buddies. Pupils in Year 1 & 2 told us whether they would have still liked to have had a buddy, too. It's rich feedback for our Senior Leadership Team to reflect on for next year.

Next up: EYFS area. Other pupils would like to play in this, too. Pupils views on how this may be fair and achievable is up for discussion. Watch this space.

This ongoing commitment to capturing our pupils' voices every fortnight as part of PSHE discussions has proven a valuable and insightful tool in informing decision-making to make our school great. Thank you, children. Thank you, School Councillors.



Welcome Mr Fox

Welcome Mr Fox: Our newest recruit to the Earith Team, Mr Fox brings with him a wealth of *handy* experience for the new caretaker role. I'm sure you will introduce yourselves and wish Mr Fox well in his new role.

Children starting in Reception: September 2024

Look out for the transition opportunities coming your way in the next week or two.



EYFS Outdoor Area: Grand Opening

The official grand opening of the EYFS Outdoor Area, with Mrs Corby (Active Learning Trust), Earith staff, and of course...over twenty eager learners! Cut the ribbon and let the fun commence...



Timehop: this time last week! Further reminders still pertinent

Late Lunch: 12:30pm: KS2 SATS Week (w/c 13th May)

Due to this year's timetable, **lunch will be at 12:30pm Monday – Thursday of this week**. All pupils **may bring in a larger snack/extra snack** if they wish to.

KS1 Optional SATS: Year 2: W/C 20th May

Earith Primary will be administering these to our Year 2s. Results will be used to inform teacher assessments which will be shared with parents on End of Year Reports. Further information: <u>INFO HERE</u>

Healthy Week: W/C 20th May

Year 2s taking their SATS in the mornings, interspersed with a week of healthy-driven activities and lessons across the curriculum for all year groups. Fab. Culminating in the main event...SPORTS DAY 2024...

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Friday 24th May: no need to book; just come and join us. Gates open at 1pm. Here comes the sun...we hope! Pupils will have a slightly earlier lunch that day.

24th May: 9am Assembly

Don't forget, end of first half term Summer Celebratory Assembly at 9am – all welcome. Focus: Head Teacher Awards for Summer 1. As always, you will be notified one week in advance if your child is receiving one!

Learning Highlights of the Week

Highlight Jeffers:

This week in Jeffers we have been rehearsing how to pace ourselves and run over a longer distance. We have been learning about lifecycles, liked to our text The Very Hungry Caterpillar.

It was also the grand opening of the new outdoor area.

Highlight Shireen:

Shireen class have been looking into character descriptions in English this week. First, they created their own characters from lego and wrote fantastic sentences about them. Later in the week, they thought about how authors create characters, and did some drama around The World's Worst Children!

Highlight Riddell:

In Riddell this week, children have been learning all about classic jazz! Learning how ragtime paved the way for jazz music, children listened to Oh When The Saints Go Marching In, by Louis Armstrong, and learned how to play the melody on the glockenspiel. We have also made clay relief tiles, investigated the different ways rocks are formed, and had a passionate debate about the Elgin Marbles!





Highlight Gold:

Our history lesson this week focused on learning about life in the trenches during WWI. The empathy, understanding and application of knowledge from the children, was outstanding. Children were able to discuss their own thoughts and opinions, both from a modern-day perspective and from the views of the soldiers, at the time.

Curriculum * Champions *

This week's Curriculum Champions are:

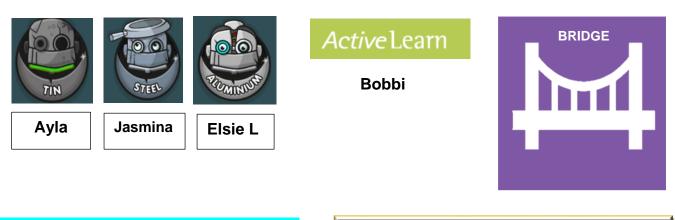
Jeffers Class: Sophia, Lexi, Reggie

Shireen Class: Oliver, Elsie H, Paddy

Riddell Class: Oliver S, Amelia, Lily, Harry D, Oliver H, Teddy

Gold Class: Alfie, Lily, Eleanor

HOUSE WINNER THIS WEEK:



<u>Community News and Events</u> <u>this week</u>: - click <u>HERE</u>



Please see Sid the Cygnet on his website page – click <u>HERE</u>

Reading Blog <u>HERE</u>

Celebration Awards Assemblies - click HERE



New in green; Emphasizing/Revisions in yellow

Summer 1

6th May: May Day – School Closed 8th May: Reception Ladybird Boat Trip 9th May: Years 1 & 2 Ramsey Heights Trip w/c 13th May: KS2 SATS Week (Year 6) 17th May: FOES Disco: 20th May: Healthy Week w/c 20th May: Year 2 Assessments 24th May: Sports Day – Gates open 1pm

Summer 2

w/c 3rd June: Year 3, 4, 5 Assessments
Between 3rd – 14th June: Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
w/c 10th June: Phonics Screening Check & Assessments (Year 1)
21st June: World Music Day
1st & 2nd July: Bikeability (Year 5 & 6)
4th July: Sid the Cygnet's 4th Birthday: Geography Fieldwork & FOES Sponsored Walk: **TBC**8th – 10th July: Hilltop Residential (Year 5 & 6)
15th -19th July: Transition Week: **TBC**17th July: EOY Reports released
19th July: Head's Award, Badges, FOES Best Dressed Summer Theme, Leavers Assembly
19th July: Year 6 Enterprise funded lunch: **TBC**19th July: Year 6 Pool Party PM: **TBC**19th July: Riddell Bake Sale