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# GOODBYE MR CROSS!

In this the first ever issue of Ellel News you will find out lots about what is happening around school and about the children and adults who attend every day!

We aim to have interesting features such as spot lights on teachers and a class featured each time. We will update you on what's happening around school and what exciting things there are planned for the future too.

#### Meet the team!

Our school Editor is **Luke Johnston** with **Daniel Faulconbridge** as his assistant editor.

**Finlay Graham** and **Isaac Roser** head up the Reporter and columnists' roles with **Louis Nicks** as the resident photographer.

If you think that you have any stories or features which others would want to hear about then please let one of the team know.

## School Council - catch up

The current school council leader is Mr Turton.

This term school council have been thinking

Language years for KS2 for year 3 French, for year 4 German, for year 5 Spanish, for year 6 Greek (these are just ideas.)

Hot chocolate in the winter for tuck (this is highly supported amongst pupils.)

Class pets (quite a lot of people like this idea.)
Bigger lunch time cups for KS2 (strongly implied.)

We recently held a Zumba day to raise money for the BBC's 'Children in Need'.

The amount of money we raised from Zumba is £2,443!! This is the most ever raised for this worthy cause. Well done and thank you everyone.

## Eco Council - Catch up

Who leads eco council?

Mrs Pool is head of eco council currently.

On Remembrance Day some year 5 children were at a collage in Morecambe. They were at a meeting about **Cop-26** and it was attended by an incredible 21 schools!

They talked about the marine life/eco and nature project in Morecambe.

The government predict it will be complete by 2024. They discussed the science behind it and what it will be used for. We also discussed about help with it in the long run, such as finance and the tourist industry.

This term we have made a suggestion. 'We would like bigger dining hall cups and we would also like to have a wider range of tuck, drinks at dinner, food options in general and clubs and lessons the children choose!'

When will you have your next meeting? Possibly in around 2-3 weeks' time.

By Daniel Faulconbridge and Isaac Roser

Mr Cross, TA to Acorn Class, prop designer and artist, football coach, fancy dress expert and DJ extraordinaire!

We all know him in a different way but there will be no doubt that in whatever way you have met him, you will have enjoyed his company and he will have made you laugh, al lot!

It is a sad time as we say goodbye to him this year as he heads to a new school closer to his home town.

Mr Cross started here at Ellel in 2011. So ten years of comedy and commitment.

Here are some thoughts on Mr Cross from the children:

Ralph - Holly class said "I like it when Mr cross does assembly because he gives us chocolates."

Ollie - year 4 thinks he is a nice, happy and a kind person. He is sad to see him go.

Alfie-J says "he is an amazing guy and he's the best football manager.

"I think he's silly, funny and a great teacher." Lily - Year 3.

We all wish Mr Cross the very best at his new school. They are lucky to have you Mr Cross and we are sad to see you go. Thank you for everything.

### Sports



#### Football:

Mr Cross has chosen the football squad for this year's tournament.

Louis, Luke, Finlay, Isaac, Noah, Alfie-Jack, Alfie S, Josh R, Charlie, Lewis and Guy. The boys played well and even won! They didn't lose a single game in the whole tournament. Well done boys!

By Luke Johnston

## Lets look at ...

### **Acorn Class!**

Acorn class is made up of the teacher Mrs Tyson with Mr Cross as the TA and additional help from Mrs Fisher and Mrs Winstanley. There are a total of 23 children in there too!

The children in Acorn class have a play based curriculum and enjoy learning through experiences. They are lucky to have access to a great outside area which is fully stocked with lots of play things to help them engage and learn lots of new skills, such as, sharing, problem solving, taking turns, counting and making friends. All while having lots of fun. Inside there are lots of activities for the children to take part in and help them learn also. I like the finger gym things. They learn this to help build muscles in their fingers ready for writing. In fact I think I would like to go back and have that fun all again!

By Daniel Faulconbridge.

#### **Teacher Feature**

#### Mrs FitzGerald



#### What inspired you into teaching?

From being a young age I always wanted to be a teacher and make a difference in young people's lives

Did you think you would become a head teacher?

Not when I was a child but when I became a teacher I knew I wanted to become a head teacher.

What does it feel like to be a head teacher?

It feels like a privilege and a blessing to be the head teacher of such a wonderful school and to work with such a great staff, the lovely families and most of all our fantastic pupils. It's a big responsibility but I work very hard to do my best at it.

#### Do you have any pets?

I have a ginger cat called Merry, he's twelve.

#### What's your full name?

My full name is Joanna Kate FitzGerald.

#### What are your hobbies?

I have lots of hobbies including running, yoga, watching musicals, reading and music.

What are your plans for the school and its future? I would say just to try to get better and better at all the things were already great at and I want to develop our links with St John's church even more.

That's all from Mrs FitzGerald, I hope you enjoyed 'Teacher Feature'.

By Finlay Graham. Photograph – Louis Nicks

We all hope you have enjoyed this first edition of our own school newspaper.

There are lots of ideas in the pipeline for development so keep a look out for the next issue to see what's in store. You never know, your teacher may be featured next time!

Thank you, from all the news team.

## Quiz Time!

Have a go at our word search, try to solve the riddle and enjoy and share the jokes.

## Disney Animated Movies

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## YOU'RE HAVING A LAUGH!!



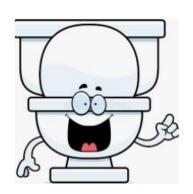
- 1. What did one toilet say to the other?
- 2. Hear about the new restaurant called Karma? There's no menu: You get what you deserve!
- 3. What does a cloud wear under his raincoat?
- 4. How do we know that the ocean is friendly?

## Riddle:

- 5. I have a tail and a head, but no body. What am I?
- 6. It's the only place in the world where today comes before yesterday. Where is it?









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- It waves.
- Thunderwear! .ε
- See above. 7 1. You look a bit flushed!
  - Answers: