

ELLEL ST JOHN'S CE Primary School

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Ellel Newsletter

'Loving, living and learning in the light of Christ'

RESPECT

Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. ~ Matthew 5:16

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Dear parents. Both this week and last, the news has rightly been dominated by the sad passing of Queen Elizabeth II. In school we have given thanks for her life and prayed for the royal family in our Worships. Last week, every child in school contributed to a beautiful display which is a tribute to Queen Elizabeth's 70 glorious years on the throne. Pictures can be found on our website and Facebook page. Our continued thoughts and prayers are with the royal family in their time of mourning.

All the children are continuing to work hard, and our new Acorns are now fully settled into class and their new routines. We are very proud of them and can't wait to see them in assembly soon! Have a lovely, restful weekend. Mrs FitzGerald

Free School Meals - adjusted menu

Did you know... if your child is entitled to Free School Meals and doesn't want a hot school meal, the kitchen will provide either a jacket potato with choice of filling, or a school packed lunch? The packed lunch consists of: Tortilla wrap, bun or baguette with a choice of ham, cheese, tuna or egg, veggie sausage roll, tortilla chips, cucumber and carrot sticks, dessert of the day, fruit yoghurt, fresh Fruit wedges and a bottle of still water or orange/apple juice. Packed lunches can be ordered in class each day. Please speak to the school office if you need any further information.

Friends of Ellel Meeting

The Friends of Ellel (FOE), our school PTA, is a group of parents and staff who, over the years, have arranged a wealth of wonderful events and in turn have raised lots of funding for the school and directly benefitted the children. We will be holding our first meeting of the year (no longer than an hour) at 5.30pm on Wednesday 28th September in the Staff Room. We understand that lots of you are busy but hope that if enough people attend, then jobs can be shared out amongst the committee and events will be more manageable. It would be wonderful to welcome some new members this year and we would love to see you there! Many thanks for your support!

Reminder: The deadline for Secondary School Applications is **31**st **October.**Applications must be made online on: https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/starting-secondary-school/
If you require any support with this, please contact school.

Flu Vaccination

On Tuesday 15th November, the School Vaccination Team will be administering Flue Vaccines for all pupils. You should have received a link via Parent App to an online consent form which needs to be completed whether you want your child to receive the vaccine **or not**. If you have not received this link or having any issues completing the online form, please contact the school office for assistance.

Outstanding Payments

We have a large number of unpaid bills for: school meals, snacks and Breakfast Club and Kids Club.

Until outstanding bills are paid, the money comes directly out of the school budget which in turn, has a detrimental effect on resourcing and provision. We would be extremely grateful if any outstanding bills could be paid immediately and moving forward, ask that wherever possible, bills are paid in advance. Many thanks for your help and understanding with this delicate matter.



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September	
Sat 24 th	Grammar School Entrance Exam
Wed 28 th	FOE Meeting – 5.30pm
October	
Tues 4 th	Kids Club Meeting: 4.30
Tues 11 th	Governor Committee Meetings: 4-6
Fri 14 th	Mental Health Day
Tues 18 th	Open Afternoon: 1.15-3
Fri 21 st	Sycamore Celebration Assembly
	Close for half term
Mon 31 st	INSET Day
November	
Tues 1st	Start of autumn term 2
Thurs 3 rd	Individual school photos
Mon 7 th –	Oak Class – Bikeability
Thurs 10 th	•
Fri 11 th	Remembrance - info to follow