

ELLEL ST JOHN'S CE Primary School

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Ellel Newsletter

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



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. What a busy couple of weeks we've had in school! This week, each class has enjoyed the Life Education sessions; they learnt lots in support of our PSHE curriculum and loved seeing Harold the giraffe again. We would really welcome any outstanding donations towards this provision as it is a big cost to school. Many thanks. Today in Worship, Craig presented badges to our new School and Eco Counselors (photos on our website and Facebook) who have been voted in by their class mates for this year. We were very impressed by all their wonderful campaign presentations. All the children are continuing to work hard in school 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 Worship very soon! Have a lovely, restful weekend. Mrs FitzGerald

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) during the week beginning 2nd October (date and time to be confirmed as soon as possible). 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-

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If you require any support with this, please contact school.

Flu Vaccination

On Tuesday 7th 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 issues completing the form, please contact the school office.

Volunteering in School

A huge thank you to those people who have volunteered to help in school. We have far fewer volunteers this year and this support makes such a difference to our pupils. If you can spare any time, even if it's just for an hour a week, please contact Mrs Poole:

r.poole@ellel-stjohns.lancs.sch.uk

Thank you in advance!



	FORTHCOMING DATES
September	
Fri 29 th	MacMillan Coffee Afternoon
Sat 30 th	Grammar School Entrance Exam
October	
Tues 3 rd – Fri 6 th	Oak Class – Borwick Hall Residential
Tues 3 rd	Sycamore Class Greek Day
Fri 6 th	Eucharist Service led by Sycamore Class
Tues 10 th	Governors Meetings, 4-6pm
Tues 17 th	Open Afternoon: 1.15-3
Fri 20 th	Harvest Festival in Church
	Close for half term
Mon 30 th	INSET Day – school closed
Tues 31st	Start of Autumn Term 2
November	
Wed 1 st	Individual school photos
Thurs 2 nd	Full Governors – 4pm
Tues 7 th –	Flu vaccinations