



# St. John's Standard

Friday 22nd September 2023

## Headteacher's Notes:

I mentioned in my Headteacher notes in the last newsletter how important our 'EJ Way' is for building our sense of shared community here in school. Alongside this though, there are many other key elements of our shared experience together that help to create our school identity and contribute to ESJ being a place where we all feel we belong. One such area is our school uniform - and our pride in wearing the school logo and looking and feeling smart every day.

A number of parents have spoken to me about school uniform since the start of the year and, with it being such a central part of our sense of shared identity, I wanted to take this opportunity to revisit what our expectations are. We always are happy to discuss any specific concerns you may have around uniform, but the general expectations are summarised below and can be found on the website at

[www.elystjohns.cambs.sch.uk/website/uniform/224509](http://www.elystjohns.cambs.sch.uk/website/uniform/224509)

### **Daily Uniform**

- Emerald green school sweatshirts and cardigans (available to order from the school website/office).
- White polo-shirt or shirt, and grey or black trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafore dresses. Alternatively, green and white striped/checked dresses may be worn.
- Socks/tights should preferably be dark in colour or white.
- Shoes should be plain black (with closed-toed sandals also permitted).



### **P.E.**

- Yellow t-shirt, green shorts and trainers/plimsolls.
- In colder weather, a school jumper and plain/dark tracksuit bottoms may also be worn.



Thank you for your continued support of our aim to be 'proud to work together' in looking and feeling smart in our Ely St. John's school uniform!

**Mr. Henson**

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## Next week...



### Parent Consultations — Years 1 to 6



We are very much looking forward to welcoming families into school next week for our first 'Parent Consultations' of the new school year. Please arrive via the school office where you will be welcomed and shown down to your child's classroom.

If you are able to spare a few additional minutes (or while waiting!), there will be an opportunity to complete the 'Parent View' questionnaire about all aspects of the school. Look out for Mr. Henson carrying devices to complete the survey with!

### Harvest Donations



A reminder that we will be collecting donations for Ely Foodbank on Monday (25th September) as part of our Harvest sharing work. We are always incredibly thankful for the generosity of the school community with this, but do please only donate if you feel able to do so. Children can come into school as normal with their donations and they will be directed during the morning by their teacher to bring any produce to the school foyer. Here, we will be creating our Harvest display and welcoming our guests from Ely Foodbank. Thank you.

### Cake Donations for Friends 'Nearly New' Sale

To support the Friends 'Nearly New' sale taking place next Saturday (30th September - 3:00pm to 5:00pm) the team have asked for donations of cakes (homemade or bought) to be brought in for a cake stall. If you would like to support with this, please bring any cakes to the rear of the school hall on Friday 29th September at 8:30am where they will be collected in. The more, the better!



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## Updates from The Friends



We are extremely lucky here at ESJ to have the continued support of our fantastic 'Friends' PTA team. This dedicated group of volunteers do an amazing job for the school and its pupils but are always looking for more support. If you would like to get involved, or just find out more, then please feel free to contact them at [friendsofesj@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:friendsofesj@hotmail.co.uk) or speak to our school office who can share their contact details.

## Events to look out for this term...

### - Saturday 30th September

**'Nearly New' Sale** (3:00pm - 5:00pm) ESJ School Hall

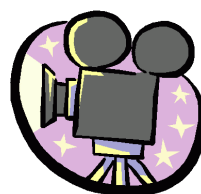
(Adults - £1 entry, Children - free) (Bring cash if possible please!)



### - Friday 13th October

**Film Night** (5:30pm - 7:15pm)

(Information about which films are being shown and how to book a ticket will be sent out next week)



### - Saturday 2nd December

**Christmas Fayre** (2:00pm - 4:00pm)



## ESJ on 'X'



**Ely St John's Primary School**

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Joined July 2021

28 Following 265 Followers

Please do make sure that you follow us on 'X' (formerly Twitter) for all the latest updates, information and pictures of life in school.

Follow us at [@ESJ\\_Primary](https://twitter.com/ESJ_Primary).

We're aiming for 300 followers by the end of term!

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Dates for your Diary...



## Term Dates 2023-24



### 2023

Training Day (School Closed)	:	Friday, 1 <sup>st</sup> September
Autumn Term opens	:	Monday, 4 <sup>th</sup> September
Half Term	:	23 <sup>rd</sup> October to 27 <sup>th</sup> October
Autumn Term ends	:	Wednesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> December

### 2024

Training Day (School Closed)	:	Thursday, 4 <sup>th</sup> January
Training Day (School Closed)	:	Friday, 5 <sup>th</sup> January
Spring Term opens	:	Monday, 8 <sup>th</sup> January
Half Term	:	19 <sup>th</sup> to 23 <sup>rd</sup> February
Spring Term ends	:	Thursday, 28 <sup>th</sup> March

Summer Term opens	:	Monday, 15 <sup>th</sup> April
May Day (School Closed)	:	Monday, 6 <sup>th</sup> May
Training Day (School Closed)	:	Friday, 24 <sup>th</sup> May
Half Term	:	27 <sup>th</sup> May to 31 <sup>st</sup> May
Summer Term ends	:	Friday, 19 <sup>th</sup> July
Training Day (School Closed)	:	Monday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> July



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