

# Ely St. John's Standard



Friday 20th June 2025



## Headteacher's Notes:

Here in school this week, we have been busy preparing for the Year Six residential trip to Caythorpe Court taking place next week (Mon - Wed), ensuring that all staff, pupils and families are fully briefed and excited for the days to come. As part of this, I have been looking into the range of trips and visits that we offer across all our year groups and starting to plan ahead for what we will be offering next academic year.

As well as our two residential trips (Y6 Caythorpe + Y4 Burwell), there have been visits to Ely Museum (Y1), Ely Cathedral (Y5, Y6), St. Mary's Church (multiple year groups), Ely Library (Y2) Cambridge Science Centre (Y5), and the O2 arena (Y6 'Young Voices' concert). In addition, Y2 and Y3/4 have enjoyed 'History off the Page' visits in school (The Great Fire of London and Ancient Greeks), EYFS loved the visiting storyteller and her amazing storytelling tent and Y6 performed superbly after their Shakespearean Theatre Workshop day! And these are just some of the highlights! Our final day trip of the year is for EYFS, off to South Angle Farm on 1<sup>st</sup> July.

We are committed to extending this offer next academic year and are already excited about what we have planned. Watch this space!

Mr. Henson

## ESJ at a Glance

- Our group of Y5 pupils attending the swimming coaching at The Hive completed their final session this week - well done everyone!
- A huge well done to all our pupils in Y4 who completed the national 'Multiplication Check' challenge last week.
- All of the Y1 pupils completed the national 'Phonics Check' assessment last week - everyone really impressed their teachers. Well done!
- We have hosted two parent information events which were both really well attended over the last two Wednesdays - our 'New Intake EYFS Parent Welcome' session and our 'New Y4/5 Cohort Information Session'. Thank you to everyone who was able to come along!



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# Updates and Information

## Warm Weather Safety



Given the prolonged spell of especially warm weather that we are having at the moment, we just wanted to issue a reminder of the importance of all children coming in to school over the next few weeks with a full water bottle, a hat/cap and with sun-cream already applied (if sun cream is also brought into school, please ensure that it is named and is a roll-on not spray type). Your support with this is obviously much appreciated. Thank you!

School staff are ensuring that outdoor activities are managed appropriately and that we are using as many of our more shady areas as possible - especially at lunch-time.



## From the Friends



Tickets are already on sale for the Summer Discos coming up on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July**. Please visit the Friends website at [www.pta-events.com/esj](http://www.pta-events.com/esj) to book a ticket.

- 4.00 - 4.45pm - Foundation & Year 1 Disco (doors open at 3.50pm)
- 5.00 - 6.00pm - Year 2 & Year 3 Disco
- 6.15 - 7.15pm - Year 4 & Year 5 Disco
- 7.00 - 8.00pm - Year 6 Leavers' Party Disco



Tickets are £5 for EYFS and Years 1-5 and are available to purchase online until Tuesday 1st July at 6pm. After this date, any remaining tickets will be sold on the door at £6 each. Tickets for the Year 6 Leaver's Party cost £7.50 and include VIP red carpet treatment, a chocolate fountain and snacks! All tickets must be booked by Tuesday 1st July at 6pm and cannot be bought on the door.

### Volunteer Helpers:

The Friends team are looking for additional helpers to support at the upcoming discos and Summer Fair. If you are able to lend a hand for one of the events, please email [thefriendsofesj@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:thefriendsofesj@hotmail.co.uk)  
Thank you!

## Save the date...

**End of Year Discos**

(Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July)



**Summer Fair**

(Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July - 2pm until 5pm)



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# Calendar

## Upcoming Dates:

### June

**Sun 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Nature Garden 'Working Party' session (10am - 12pm)

**Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> - Wed 25<sup>th</sup>** - Y6 Residential Trip (Caythorpe)

**Fri 27<sup>th</sup>** - Ely Arts Festival (Y3 Performing)

### July

**Tue 1<sup>st</sup>** - EYFS South Angle Farm trip

**Wed 2<sup>nd</sup>** - New EYFS intake 'Stay and Play' session' (3:15pm)

**Thur 3<sup>rd</sup>** - New EYFS intake 'Stay and Play session' (3:15pm)

**Fri 4<sup>th</sup> July** - Friends 'End of Year' Discos

## Long Term Dates:

### July

**Tue 8<sup>th</sup>** - Year 6 End of Year Performances (9:00am + 1:45pm)

**Wed 9<sup>th</sup>** - Ely College Y7 Transition Day

**Wed 9<sup>th</sup>** - ESJ Transition Morning in new classes

**Wed 9<sup>th</sup> + Thur 10<sup>th</sup>** - New Intake EYFS 'Stay and Play' sessions (3:15pm)

**Fri 11<sup>th</sup>** - Non-Uniform Day (Friends Fundraiser)

**Sat 12<sup>th</sup>** - Friends Summer Fair (2pm - 5pm)

**Wed 16<sup>th</sup> – Fri 18<sup>th</sup>** - Y4 Residential Trip (Burwell House)

**Tue 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Last Day of Summer Term



Term dates and staff training days for the [2024/25](#) and [2025/26](#) academic years can be found on our website:

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