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Headteacher's Notes:

The Summer Term is always an action-packed end to the school year, and the first two weeks of this one have been especially busy. As well as our first school community event, 'Bookfest 2024', last Saturday, we have already had visitors in school working with Year 3 (as part of the Ely Arts Festival) and the Year Fours have been off this week on their residential trip to Hilltop! Things certainly don't slow down either in the coming weeks as Year 2 look forward to their 'History off the Page - Great Fire of London' day next week, Year 3 head to Cambridge to the Fitzwilliam Museum, we host a round of the Year 5 county-wide 'Maths Challenge' and our school Sports Days and 'Healthy Week' finish off the half term. Check out the 'Diary Dates' later in the newsletter for even more!

A huge thank you to everyone who makes these events and experiences possible - in particular for all the fabulous fundraising for our school library project that 'Bookfest 2024' supported. Well over a thousand pounds was raised - a brilliant effort!



Performances by Word Guerrilla at 'Bookfest'.



The Scholastic Book Fair.



The field is open for playtimes at last!

At the very centre of what we are doing every term though is our relentless focus on engaging and inspiring the children to develop their learning in every way possible. Our EJ Way statement '*We are excited to learn new things*' runs through the heart of everything. I have already seen that in evidence in all our year groups this term - with particular shout-outs to Year 6 for all their hard work in preparation for the upcoming Key Stage 2 tests in mid-May, and to Year 5 for all the very persuasive letters I received about school uniform earlier this week. Let's keep this up in the coming weeks and make this the very best term yet for fabulous learning and memorable experiences!

Mr. Henson

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Year 4 Trip to Hilltop Outdoor Centre

A huge well done to all of our Year Four pupils who attended the residential trip to Hilltop Outdoor Centre on the Norfolk coast this week. Staff were hugely impressed with the teamwork, independence and caring attitude on display throughout. Well done everyone!



For your diary...



Please see below for some key highlights for the upcoming term. Lots more information and diary dates will follow in the coming weeks...

Mon 29th April:

Y2 'Great Fire of London' History Day



Mon 6th May:

Bank Holiday - School Closed



Mon 13th - Thur 16th May:

Key Stage Two - National Test Week



Mon 29th April:

Y3 Trip to Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge

Mon 20th - Thur 23rd May:

Sports Days + Healthy Lifestyles Week



Fri 24th May:

Staff Training Day - School Closed

— Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May (Half Term) —

Wed 5th June:

Class Photographs day



Wed 12th June:

New Foundation Stage Parents 'Welcome Evening'

Mon 24th - Fri 28th June:

Y6 Residential Trip to Caythorpe Court

Fri 5th July:

Friends 'Summer Disco'



Fri 12th July:

Friends 'Summer Picnic' event



Fri 19th July:

Last Day of Summer Term

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More dates for your diary..!



Sports Days and Healthy Lifestyles Week

The ESJ 'Healthy Lifestyles Week' is fast approaching (**Monday 20th - Thursday 23rd May**) and, as usual, this week will feature our annual year group 'Sports Day' events. More information about this year's theme will follow in the coming weeks - but please see below for the dates of each individual year group Sports Day event.

Year group 'Sports Day events' will be led by our brilliant Year Six sports leaders - and, of course, parents and families are welcome to attend. Hope to see you there!



Foundation Stage:

Wednesday 22nd May (1:30pm – 2:30pm)

Year One:

Wednesday 22nd May (11:00am – 12:00pm)

Year Two:

Wednesday 22nd May (9:15am – 10:15am)

Year Three:

Monday 20th May (1:30pm – 2:30pm)

Year Four:

Tuesday 21st May (11:00am – 12:00pm)

Year Five:

Tuesday 21st May (1:30pm – 2:30pm)

Year Six:

Monday 20th May (11:00am – 12:00pm)

Academic Year 2024/25...



The Ely St. John's term dates for academic year 2024/25 have now been finalised - see www.elystjohns.cambs.sch.uk/website/term_dates/232278

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