



St. John's Standard

Friday 10th February 2023

Headteacher's Notes:

Across the country this week, schools have been taking part in 'Children's Mental Health Week 2023'. At ESJ, we recognise the importance of our mental health and well-being every week of the year - but we have had an extra focus this week, especially linked to the 'Let's Connect' theme.

Children have been thinking about the people, places and things that they are connected to and are important to them. Our school community provides a fantastic point of connection for us all and it has been wonderful to see all of the children taking part in songs, art activities, discussion time and assemblies that have explored this further during this week. Look out for more highlights coming soon on our Twitter feed -

@ESJ_Primary.

Lots of the children have played 'Let's Connect' bingo and spent time finding out about and making connections with others that they didn't know they had!

I would encourage all families to take a look at the official 'Children's Mental Health Week' website over the half term break - www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk.

There is huge wealth of resources, ideas and information that are freely accessible on the website and the children may be able to spot activities and challenges they have done in school this week. In addition, the BBC 'Mood Boosters' site, has loads of videos and links to inspiring ways to promote your mental health and well-being - why not take a look at www.bbc.co.uk/teach/moodboosters.

I hope you all have a well-deserved half term break - just a reminder that we return to school as normal on Monday 20th February. We look forward to seeing you all then!

Mr. Henson

Find out more at...



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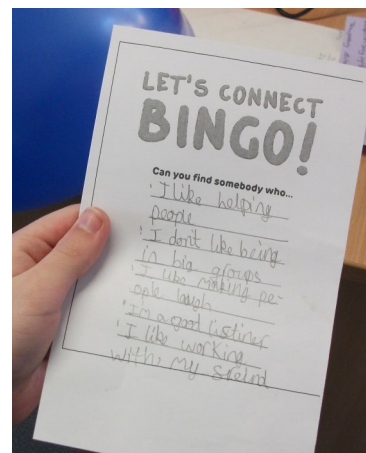
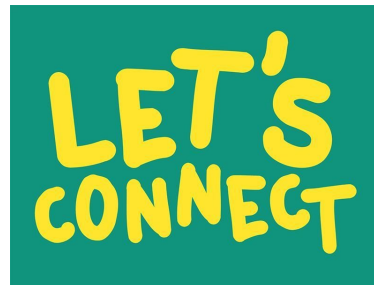


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A welcome from... **Miss Lloyd (Assistant Head)**

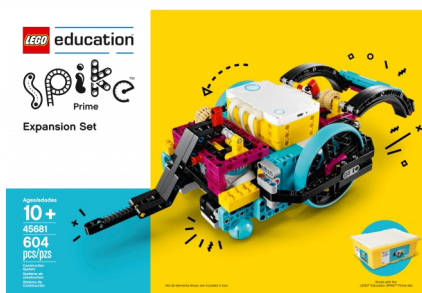


I am very pleased to be able to introduce myself as one of the two Assistant Heads here at Ely St. John's. Many of you will already know me through my work in Foundation Stage as class teacher and Phase Leader and I am excited to bring my knowledge and experience to the wider school community in my new role.

As well as continuing my teaching in Foundation Stage, I will be supporting the school in a wide range of projects - with a particular focus on Inclusion and Special Educational Needs. I am passionate about creative, personalised and engaging learning opportunities for all the pupils in our school and look forward to helping ensure all children are able to maximise their potential across all aspects of learning and life at school.

Miss Lloyd

Don't forget..!



ESJ have signed up for the chance to win **LEGO Education equipment** through vouchers being published in the **Ely Standard** from w/b 20th February until w/b 24th April

Please look out for the vouchers and collect as many as you can! We will share details of how to hand them in to school later in the year.

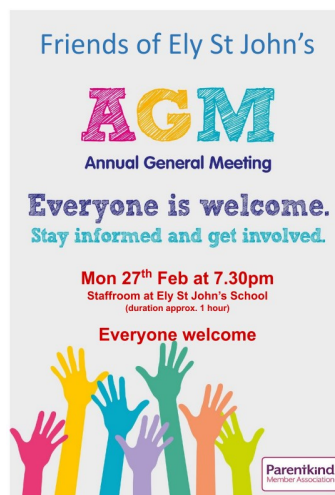
Thank you!

The Friends - AGM

The Friends team are always looking for new parent volunteers to support their fantastic work.

Whether you can give some, lots or just a little time, please do come along!

The AGM is Monday 27th February (7:30pm)



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Medical Update

Asthma



If your child has asthma and has an inhaler, please ensure that the school is aware.

It is important that children have their inhalers in school, that they know how to use them and they know where they are. All inhalers should be named both on the box and the actual inhaler itself.

Please bring in a copy of your child's asthma care plan (usually given to you by the asthma nurse or the doctor) and ensure that you have completed the school paperwork.

You should have filled in two lots of school paperwork...



- one an asthma action plan detailing symptoms, known triggers, information about the inhaler, how to use the inhaler and when.

- permission slip for us to be able to administer the Emergency Asthma Inhaler for your child if their inhaler is unavailable. Without this permission we would be unable to administer the Emergency Inhaler.

Most children either keep inhalers in their drawer or bag, so that they have easy access to them should they need them. Younger children's inhalers may be kept by the teacher in a place that is accessible for them to be reached quickly.

Children with asthma should have their inhaler (preferably with spacer and asthma clinic care plan) in school at all times, including on school trips and not rely on the school emergency inhaler. **It is a parents/carers responsibility to ensure that inhalers are in date and to provide replacements when they expire.**

Please let the school office know in writing if your child ceases to be asthmatic or is diagnosed as asthmatic so that we can amend their record; and also if the way they need to take their inhaler changes (for example the number of puffs, time to take it etc.)

If you are unsure whether you have let the school know that your child is asthmatic then please contact Ms Godfrey by emailing cgodfrey@elystjohns.cambs.sch.uk and she will be able to check for you.

THANK
YOU!





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Dates for your Diary...



Term Dates 2022-23



Half Term	:	13 th to 17 th February
Spring Term ends	:	Friday, 31 st March

Summer Term opens	:	Monday, 17 th April
May Day (School Closed)	:	Monday, 1 st May
Half Term	:	29 th May to 2 nd June
Training Day (School Closed)	:	Monday, 5 th June
Summer Term ends	:	Tuesday, 18 th July
Training Day (School Closed)	:	Wednesday, 19 th July

Please note: **Monday 8th May 2023** is an additional Bank Holiday and school will be closed that day.

Term Dates 2023-24

2023

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

2024

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

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

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