# Ely St. John's Standard



Friday 6th September 2024

## Headteacher's Notes:

I would like to use these first notes of the academic year to extend a very warm welcome to all pupils, families and staff. We are all very excited to get the term started and are committed to ensuring that 2024/25 is the best year yet for ESJ!

My welcome back to the children in our first assemblies of the year have focused on our sense of community, all underpinned by our shared understanding of the 'EJ Way'. Our values remain at the centre of all that we aim to do during the year and I am delighted to have seen so many of them 'in action' in our first three days together.

As always, please do email me or come and speak to me on the playground with any questions or feedback about anything. Here's to a fantastic year ahead!

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#### Mr. Henson

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The E J Way

We are excited to learn new things. 🖤 We know how to share thoughts and feelings. 💭 We look after each other. 🚳 We are proud to work together. 🔆 We are kind to ourselves. 🐐

### ESJ at a Glance

- A big ESJ welcome to our new teachers - Mrs. Chapman (Y5) and Miss. Driver (EYFS).
- The Foundation Stage team have completed nearly sixty home visits this week for our new starters!
- First edition of the new-look fortnightly Ely St. John's Standard.
- The new library fixtures and fittings installation took place during the summer break - watch this space for more info about the official library opening later this term.
- Our office team welcomes Mr. Thomas and Mrs. Rule as they started with us this week.

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# Updates and Information

# Reporting Pupil Absence



If your child is absent from school due to illness, please telephone us at school before 9.15am and leave a message for our office team stating your child's name, class and reason for absence. The office number is **01353 612780**.

Failure to do so will result in a text being sent to those parents of pupils for whom there is no known reason for absence.

Please also give us notice of hospital, dental or doctor's appointments prior to the day of the absence, supported by an appointment slip/confirmation.

For any other forms of absence, please ensure a 'Leave of Absence' request form is completed available from the school office or from the school website in the 'Parents' tab (Attendance section) on the home page.

## Safeguarding at Ely St. John's

Here at Ely St. John's, we are committed to the vital contribution that all staff and governors make to safeguarding and the protection and welfare of our children.

We aim to foster an atmosphere of trust, respect and security by providing a caring, safe and nurturing environment which promotes the social, physical and mental welfare of all our children. All safeguarding and welfare concerns are handled sensitively, professionally and in ways that support the specific needs of the individual child. Should you have any concerns at any time, please speak to a member of staff or ask to see one of the school designated safeguarding leads.

Please visit our dedicated pages of the website for further information on all matters safeguarding and child protection.

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# Family Updates

As we begin the start of the new year, please let the school office know of any important updates in contact, family or medical information. It is essential that all of our school records are as up to date as possible and that any changes from last academic year are recorded.

With this in mind, please email office@elystjohns.cambs.sch.uk with...

- any changes to contact details (especially updated email addresses and mobile phone numbers);
- any planned changes from last year with your child's school dinner patterns;
- any updated dietary requirements or new allergies;
- any medical updates.

Please can inhalers that are brought to school be checked to ensure that they are in date and able to be used.

If you have any questions or other information that you feel it would be useful for school to be aware of, please do get in touch. Thank you!







Our wonderful school PTA 'The Friends' are collecting tokens from the Ely Standard for 'Cash for Charities' - the more tokens we can collect, the more money we can raise!

Our collection box for the vouchers is placed in the main entrance by the office window.

Lost Property

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Please ensure that all items of clothing and equipment that come to school with your child are named.

Should any lost items not be named, they will be taken to our new 'Lost Property' boxes in the school entrance hall where they will be kept for two weeks before being donated/recycled. Thank you.

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# Calendar

# Upcoming Dates:

#### Mon 9th Sept

- EYFS in school until 11:45am.
- Ely College 'Roadshow' at Ely College for prospective parents (6:00pm).

#### Tue 10th Sept

• EYFS in school until 11:45am.

#### Wed 11th Sept

• EYFS in school until 1:15pm.

#### Thur 12th Sept

- EYFS in school until 1:15pm.
- Ely College 'Roadshow' at Ely College for prospective parents (6:00pm).

#### Fri 13th Sept

• EYFS in school until 1:15pm.

#### Mon 16th Sept

- EYFS start school full time.
- School clubs start this week.



# Long Term Dates:

More dates will follow in the coming weeks...

### <u>September</u>

Tue 24th - Year 2 visit to Ely Library - Ely College Open Evening for Y6 families

Wed 25th - Flu Vaccinations

### <u>October</u>

**Tue 1st** - Coffee Morning Event with Michelle West (Family Worker).

Thur 3rd - Harvest Festival Collection.

Mon 28th - Half Term Week.

### November

Mon 4th - Training Day (School Closed).

Mon 11th - Parent Consultation Week.



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Term dates and staff training days for the 2024/25 academic year can be found on our website:

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Staffing 2024-25

Headteacher:Mr. HensonAssistant Heads:Mr. Preston and Miss. Lloyd

SENDCo: Mrs. McGuinness SEND Support TA: Mrs. Johnson

Office Team: Mr. Thomas, Mrs. Rule, Mrs. Turner, Ms. Godfrey

Foundation Stage: Teachers: Miss. Lloyd and Miss Driver Teaching Assistants: Mrs. Chisholm, Mrs. Notley, Mrs. Henry (HLTA), Mrs. Dunckley, Miss. Hambley, Mrs Hanwell.

#### Year One:

Teachers: Mrs. Carter/Mrs. Thompson, and Mr. Killick Teaching Assistants: Mrs. Webb, Mrs. Dunckley, Mrs. Hartland, Ms. Godfrey

#### <u>Year Two</u>:

Teachers: Mrs. Ban and Mrs. Grant/Mrs. Fretwell Teaching Assistants: Mrs. Halls, Mrs. Appleby, Mrs. Rose, Mrs. Shooter

Year Three/Four: Teachers: Miss Jordan, Mr. Popplewell, and Mrs. Lloyd/Miss Goodman Teaching Assistants: Mrs. Hanwell, Mrs. Cousins, Mrs. Symonds, Miss. Spilka, Mrs. Taylor, Mr. Mackender, Mrs. Hambley

Year Five: Teachers: Mr. Poli and Miss. Chapman Teaching Assistants: Mrs. Shooter, Mrs. Hambley

Year Six: Teachers: Mrs. Turner and Mrs. Pitt/Mr. Preston

Bamboo Room Team: Mrs. Pope (HLTA), Mrs. Hartland, Mrs. Neville, Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Hanwell, Mr. Godfrey

**Midday Team:** Mrs. Sizer, Miss. Harper, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Rushmer, Mrs. Belton, Mrs. Lloyd, Miss. Harrison, Mrs. Waterhouse, Ms. Okano

Site Team: Mr. Hambley, Mr. Smith

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# Term Dates







## Autumn Term 2024

Training Day (School Closed)	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September
Autumn Term opens	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September
Half Term	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct. – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov.
Training Day (School Closed)	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November
Autumn Term ends	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December

## Spring Term 2025

Training Day (School Closed)	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January
Spring Term opens	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January
Half Term	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February
Spring Term ends	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April

## Summer Term 2025

Training Day (School Closed)	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April
Summer Term opens	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April
May Day (School Closed)	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May
Half Term	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May
Summer Term ends	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July
Training Day (School Closed)	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July

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