



# St. John's Standard

Friday 10th May 2024

## Headteacher's Notes:

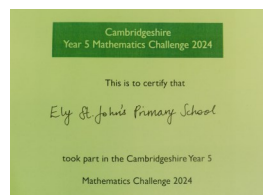
One of the privileges of being the Headteacher is the opportunity to interview and speak with pupils as part of our school commitment to 'Pupil Voice'. It is the pupils who provide perhaps the best perspective on lots of what we are doing and working on in every year group in the school. With this in mind, I've been on a secret mission throughout the last week to speak to as many pupils as possible and to ask them what it is that they are enjoying most about their learning at the moment and what, if anything, they would like to change in order to help them even more.

What really came through in these conversations was the fact that the children, across all year groups, really enjoy and value the opportunity to learn outdoors. Whether that is den building in D.T., sports and games in P.E., growing our own vegetables in Science or countless other activities and tasks, the outdoor environment remains central to our curriculum offer and it really comes to the fore in the Summer Term - and there's so much exciting learning still to come!



I would also like to mention and say a massive 'well done' to our Year 5 'Maths Challenge' team who took part in a round of the county 'Maths Challenge' competition last week hosted by ESJ. The team performed brilliantly and finished second out of the seven teams taking part.

Well done team!



Finally from me this week, best wishes to all of our Year Six pupils who will be taking part in the national Key Stage Two tests next week. These formal assessments in reading, maths and grammar, punctuation and spelling are only a small part of what we do here in school but I do know that all the children have been working very hard and are extremely well prepared. Good luck Year Six!

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## Considerate Parking



We have been working closely with our local area PSCO, Magdalena Harvey, to support with encouraging safe and considerate parking around the school site at drop off and pick up times at the beginning and end of the school day. You may have noticed her on patrol this week and she will be more of a regular feature over the coming months as we work with local residents and our parent community to make sure our local roads are as safe as they can be. Thank you to everyone for your support in ensuring that all parking is legal, safe and considerate.



## 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 13th - Thur 16th May:** Key Stage Two - National Test Week



**Fri 17th May:** 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'

**Wed 19th June:** New (for 24/25) Y3/4 Parent Information Event (6:00pm)

**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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## One more reminder..!

## 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:	<b>Wednesday 22nd May</b> (1:30pm – 2:30pm)
Year One:	<b>Wednesday 22nd May</b> (11:00am – 12:00pm)
Year Two:	<b>Wednesday 22nd May</b> (9:15am – 10:15am)
Year Three:	<b>Monday 20th May</b> (1:30pm – 2:30pm)
Year Four:	<b>Tuesday 21st May</b> (11:00am – 12:00pm)
Year Five:	<b>Tuesday 21st May</b> (1:30pm – 2:30pm)
Year Six:	<b>Monday 20th May</b> (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](http://www.elystjohns.cambs.sch.uk/website/term_dates/232278)

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