



## Elm's exciting curriculum

Reception had a visit to the local Library this week which was linked to their Julia Donaldson topic. The children loved trying to find the hidden Gruffalo's in other Julia Donaldson books and enjoyed listening to the story 'The Everywhere Bear'

### Message from Mrs Fish

As we come to the end of another busy half term I'd like once again to thank you for the continued support with our COVID risk assessment.

I know teachers are looking forward to speaking with you next week, and following feedback we have extended the time of each call.

Although, moving forward, parents' evenings will continue online, let us hope that we will soon be able to invite you in to see the children's work.



## Author Visit in Year 6

Elizabeth Waight visited Year 6 to help encourage their creativity in writing and to read from her book "Archibald Mabel". She invited children from all the schools she visited to create something magical which could be included in her new book. Out of all the schools which participated, 12 out of the 16 finalists were Elm students and the overall winner was Jannah with her rainbow nine-tailed reindeer. Jannah's reindeer has now been written into Elizabeth's new book and the original drawing will be featured. Jannah will also be credited in the book. A fantastic achievement to be a published illustrator at eleven! Well done to all of Year 6 who took part.

## World Book Day Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

World Book Day is on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March and we will be very excited to see all the children in their wonderful costumes. Once again, we will be running our well-loved competitions which includes Extreme Reading. If you wish your child to participate, then please take a photograph of your child reading in a strange, odd, unusual, interesting place. Please ensure that an adult takes the photograph and that it is a safe place to pose. Photographs can be emailed to the school office, [elm@elm-academy.org.uk](mailto:elm@elm-academy.org.uk) clearly stating the child's name and class. These need to be sent in on or before **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February.**

We are also holding a sponsored read where you can sponsor your child to read in school on the day to themselves, an adult or a friend. For KS1 up to 10 minutes and KS2 up to 20 minutes. Please encourage friends and family to sponsor your child either by the minute or for a block of time. All monies raised will go towards a new library for the children to enjoy. A sponsor sheet will be given to the children to complete should you wish to contribute.

As well as a whole host of exciting activities taking place, AFC Bournemouth Youth Team may also be making a video appearance to encourage reading.

# Congratulations

We are very pleased to celebrate the following children who have earned **High Achiever** of the class over the last two weeks:

Reception – Archie, Arlo, Dennis, Ronan

Year 1 – Darcee, Rahmat, Georgina, Hannah

Year 2 – Lilly-Rose, Abdullah, Portia, Sireen

Year 3 – George, Alfie, Abdulah, Harmony-Rose

Year 4 – Hacene, Amelia, Fin, Victoria, Paigan, Jack,

Year 5 – Bella, Kimani, Darcy, Daniel F, Kimberley, Lilly-May

Year 6 – Marcie, Liam, Kaycee, Fabiana, Lily-Louise, Mollie

Congratulations to the following who have been our **Sports Stars** of the Week.

Key Stage 1 – Georgina

Key Stage 2 – Joey and Poppy G

# Dates and Reminders

Parents Evening

End of half term

Staff Training Day

Children return to school

World Book Day / Year 1 Farmer Palmer trip

Comic Relief Dress Up Super Heroes

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022

# Covid reminders

Any child who is showing any COVID 19 symptoms **MUST** refrain from attending school until either a negative PCR test (not lateral flow test) result is received or until isolation guidance has been completed.

Should your child display symptoms whilst in school, you will be contacted and asked to collect them and to organise PCR testing. We ask that families do all they can to prevent the spread of the virus, by abiding by latest government guidance, getting tested if showing symptoms and self-isolating if necessary.

In order to protect our vulnerable children and families we appreciate you keeping us informed of positive cases within your household and/or when you are arranging PCR tests.

Any absence should be reported to the main office by either email [elm@elm-academy.org.uk](mailto:elm@elm-academy.org.uk) or by telephoning 01202 574212 and selecting Option 1.

Kind Regards



Mrs Fish  
**Principal**



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