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Message from Mrs Wakeman

There was a wonderful full moon this week which was still shining brightly on our way into school. However, not only has the moon shone brightly but our Year 5 football team, who had another victory at Christ The King winning 4-0 – well done to all. This was then followed with an AFC Bournemouth 5-0 win in the FA cup!

Well done to the Year 6 team who lost, in a very tightly played game, 2-1. Our athletes also took part in the annual indoor athletics tournament and did very well both girls and boys teams placing 3rd overall.

Don't forget to sign up for parents evenings from your feedback we have extended each appointment to 10 minutes rather than the 5 minutes previously. We will be doing a uniform sale too on this evening so if you have any old uniform, in good condition, you would like to donate, it would be very welcome.

Number dress up next Friday for the NSPCC charity - £1 to wear something with numbers on it.



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Year 1

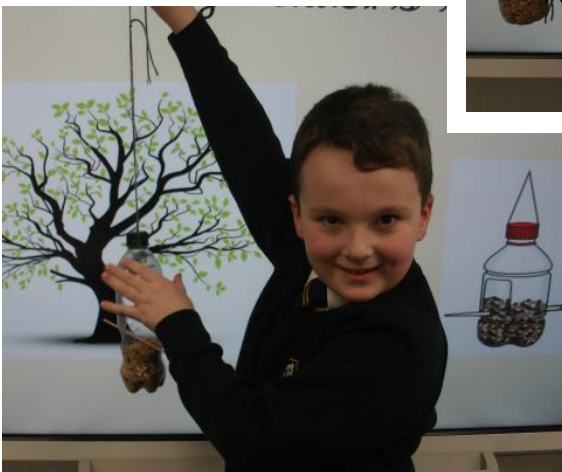
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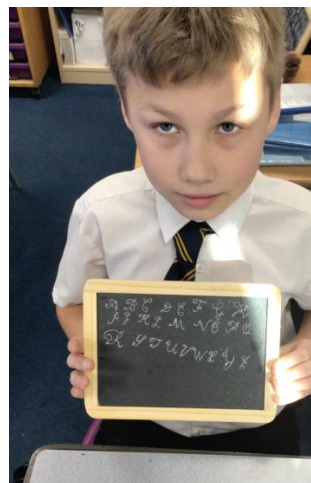
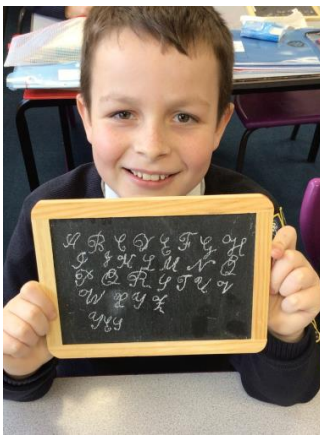
Year 4

Year 4 enjoyed some relaxing quiet time in the Library this week.



Year 5

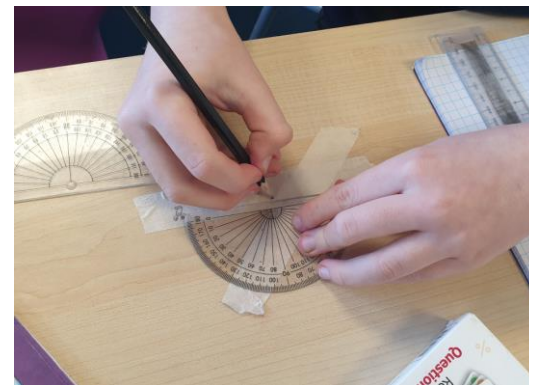
Year 5 had an experience in a Victorian classroom this week. They learned about the 3 Rs and practised writing on chalk boards. They were all thankful when they returned to the present day classroom!



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Year 6

Year 6 enjoyed experimenting with the protractors and measuring different angles, which were made using tape.



Elm Events



Football

Well done to the boys in Year 5 & 6 for attending the football matches against Christ the king.

Indoor Athletics

Well done to all the children who competed – both boys & girls placed 3rd overall.



Elm Afterschool Clubs

Year 2

In cooking Club this week, the children made Rice Crispy cakes.



Little Ambers



Construction week!

The children have been using different materials to design and create.
Here they have been using paper mâché to create hats.

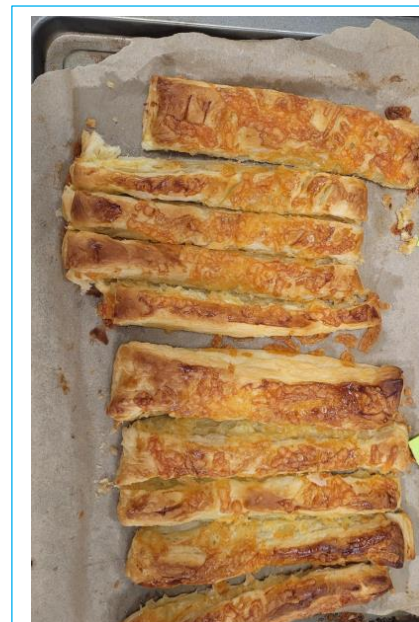
Hub work



Making safari masks linking to the topic of Africa

Making cheese twists.

They worked in groups and did a fantastic job. Everyone enjoyed eating their delicious, warm snacks.



Elm Attendance

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Class Attendance in Last Two Weeks

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|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Squirrels 98.93% | 4LL 97.83% |
| IC1 92.41% | 4GC 95.34% |
| ISG 95.52% | 5AM 94.31% |
| 2TB 96.30% | 5DE 95.80% |
| 2JC 97.96% | 6ET 96.79% |
| 3AH 94.25% | 6BH 91.75% |
| 3CJ 96.05% | 6SC 92% |
| 3LH 90% | |



Attendance

Whole School Attendance:
94.43%

Target for the year: 96%

The expectation is for **every** child to achieve at least 96% attendance.

From the first day of term to the last, the small moments in a school day make a real difference to your child.
#AttendanceCounts



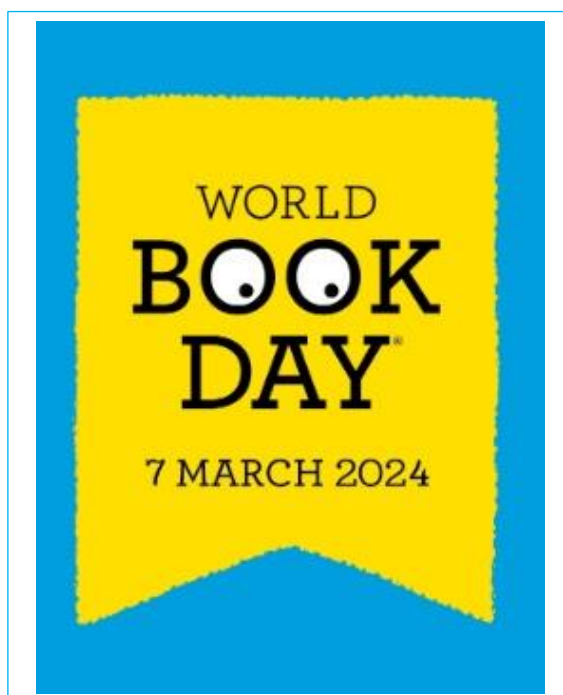
Congratulations to our Attendance Raffle Winners.
Remember you need to be
'IN TO WIN'

Please call the school office on 01202 574211 or email absence@elm-academy.org.uk if your child is going to be absent from school.

For all requests for leave of absence including for holidays during term time please ask the office for a 'Request for Leave of Absence' form. This needs to be completed and handed into school at least one week before your child is due to be absent. Mrs Wakeman will review each request and only requests for exceptional circumstances will be authorised.

Absence from school can lead to Fixed Penalty Notices or Prosecution.

World Book Day



It won't be long before we celebrate World Book Day which falls on **Thursday 7th March** and so we are giving you plenty of notice for the EXTREME READING COMPETITION.

Each year we invite you take photographs of your child reading in the strangest of places. We have seen lots of reading on top of cars, under beds, during gymnastic moves and up on the roof, plus lots of other great photographs. The challenge is whether you can find somewhere even more extreme this year.

Please send your photographs to the school office with EXTREME READING in the subject box and your child's name on the email **before Wednesday 21th February.**

We look forward to seeing all the weird and wacky places you can find but please remember, photographs should be taken by an adult and selfies will not be accepted. Have fun but be safe.

Inclusion team

NSPCC



Dear Parents and carers,

We are delighted to be supporting the NSPCC by taking part in Number Day on **Friday 2 February 2024**.

Everything the NSPCC does protects children today and prevents about tomorrow

The NSPCC need our support more than ever. By raising money, we can help to fund their vital services such as Childline – the helpline that's always there for children and young people whatever their problem or concern.



On average, a child contacts Childline every **45 seconds**

Making maths meaningful

Number Day is a great way to make maths fun and bring about a positive, 'can-do' attitude towards it.

- We are having a fun day of maths activities
- We will be taking part in *Dress up for Digits*. Pupils are asked to wear an item of clothing with a number on it (football shirt, cap, netball shirt or even a onesie!). Or get even more creative by dressing in a maths or numbers theme. To help raise money for the NSPCC, we are asking for donations, and we'd love everyone in the school to take part in this special event.
- We are asking for a voluntary donation of £1.

It all adds up

We're really looking forward to all the fun of Number Day, and we really appreciate your support. All the money we raise at Elm Academy will make an enormous difference to children today and help the NSPCC be there for children tomorrow.

Thank you.

Best wishes,

Mrs Chant
Elm Academy

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Parent Champion for SEND – Confidential monthly support and advice for families

As a school we want to play a role in improving SEND services for our children. We now have an opportunity to provide a confidential space here in school for families of children with SEND through a new Parent Champion project delivered and funded by SENDiass4BCP and Parent Carers Together.

Each month a dedicated Parent Champion will hold one session to support families in navigating appropriate local and national services and networks to meet the needs of their children. Your child does not have to be on the SEND register at school to be able to access the support. Time slots will be allocated to individual families on a first come first served basis and are held in confidence during the school day.

Our next Parent Champion sessions will take place on Tuesday 30th January 2024

To enable us to plan ahead for these sessions we are asking parent/carers to book onto a session by emailing parent2parent@elm-academy.org.uk.

If you are experiencing difficulties and are unsure where to access the support and resources you need please do get in touch and confirm your interest in writing. The role of the Parent Champion is to listen and to share knowledge of the services and the networks in your local community that may be of help to you.

This is a valuable resource we are so pleased to be part of. Together we can improve services and support for families across Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole.

Dates and Reminders

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| 30 th January | - | Indoor Athletics Final |
| 01 st February | - | Marwell Zoo trip year 2 |
| 02 nd February | - | Dance Live Competition |
| 02 nd February | - | Wear a number for £1 |
| 06 th February | - | Gruffalo's Picnic 2.30pm – Reception |
| 06 th February | - | Football tournament |
| 08 th February | - | Reception eye screening |
| 08 th February | - | Parents Evening & Reports |
| 09 th February | - | Pupils Last day |
| 10 th Feb – 18 th Feb | | Half Term |

Information Regarding Head lice

Head Lice:

- Can't fly, jump or swim
- Are very unlikely to be spread by objects such as hats, combs and pillows
- Don't have a preference for dirty, clean, short or long hair
- Only affect people and can't be caught from animals

Once detached from the hair, head lice will usually die within 12-24 hours.

Preventing head lice

It's very difficult to prevent Head Lice. You may want to consider regular detection combing on a weekly basis. Lotions and sprays don't prevent Head Lice and should only be used if a live louse has been found in your own, or your child's hair. Staying off work or school and washing clothing and bedding on a hot wash is unnecessary, as it's unlikely to help prevent the spread of Head Lice. It is also Ideal if your child has long hair to wear it up to lessen the chance the lice attach.



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ELEVATE FOUNDATION

ACTIVITY CALENDAR 2024

JANUARY - MARCH

JAN
23



FLAVOURS COOKERY SESSIONS

6pm-8pm, Ages 8-11 years

A fantastic guided workshop creating 2 dishes in 2 hours

Location: Flavours School of Cookery, BH7 6BQ £5 plus Eventbrite Fee

FEB
06



FLAVOURS COOKERY SESSIONS

6pm-8pm, Ages 12-16 years

A fantastic guided workshop creating 2 dishes in 2 hours

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FEB
10



BUTTERFLY MIND AND MOVEMENT

10am-3pm, Ages 11-16

Dance workshop that transforms mindsets through self-acceptance.

Location: Mad4dance, BH23 1QE

£5 plus Eventbrite Fee

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13



STRESS RELEASE KICKBOXING

11am-12pm, Ages 11-16 years

A fun 1 hour kickboxing session to help alleviate stress.

Location: Mad4dance, BH23 1QE

£5 plus Eventbrite Fee

FEB
15



SKI TASTER SESSION AND RINGO'S

1.45pm-3pm, Ages 10-16 years

A Ski taster session followed by bouncing down the slope in a ringo.

Location: Snowtrax, BH23 6AW

£5 plus Eventbrite Fee

FEB
16



BUSHCRAFT SESSION

1.30pm -3.20pm, Ages 10-16 years

An enjoyable outdoor session teaching valuable wilderness skills.

Location: Avon Tyrell, BH23 8EE

£5 plus Eventbrite Fee

FEB
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EMPOWERING YOUNG MINDS

4-5:30pm, For school years 7-11

Covering self-awareness, stress release, mindfulness, self-care, positive relationships, purpose. Feb 25th, March 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th

Location: Mad4dance, BH23 1QE

£10 plus Eventbrite Fee

PARENT COURSES



We offer parent courses, please visit our website, and register interest.
www.elevatefoundation.co.uk

1:1 COUNSELLING



We recognise that some children and young people may need extra support and are able to offer 1:1 counselling service to 8-18year olds in partnership with Relate.

TO BOOK OR FIND OUT MORE VISIT:
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