



Elliott Park School
Newsletter

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Dear Parents

Welcome back to term 6! This is usually our busiest term in the lead up to the end of this academic year. While the roadmap is still uncertain and we are unsure of what Boris will and won't let us do, I'm sure all here at Elliott Park will do our best to make it just as special.

I would like to take this opportunity to celebrate the success of all the hard work and determination shown in term 5. The children produced some wonderful work during our Rainforest unit. They created some beautiful art, which is on display in the corridor, as well as some wonderful double page fact files about the Amazon. Mrs Hiller commented on how fantastic their work was and was very proud of them all! The children seemed to really enjoy this unit and have assured me it will be a big hit with next year's year 4.

In term 6, we will be designing, creating and advertising our very own tie dye t-shirts. We will discuss features of adverts and how persuasive language can be used as a tool to entice buyers. Finally, the children will create their own commercial to advertise their design.

In Maths this term, we will be recapping on all skills learnt over the past year. This will ensure the children are ready as they progress in to year 5. I'm sure the children are all sick of hearing me remind them how important it is to practise their times tables. Once they are fluent in this area, everything else will become so much easier – please don't forget over the summer!

The Science topic for this term is Artful flowers, fruits and seeds. In this unit the children will explore the part that flowers play in the lifecycle of flowering plants by looking at the parts of a flower, explore seeds and fruits and learn about the importance of seed dispersal.

In our PSHE topic 'Money Matters', this unit aims to encourage children to think about where money comes from and how it can be used. Children will discuss how we spend money, why people might need to borrow money and the consequences of this. Children will begin to explore how we can prioritise what we spend money and what choices we have, including considering the impact of ethical spending.

Our P.E. sessions will be on Monday and Thursday. This term we will be working on striking and fielding skills. I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that girls must have a spare pair of socks for PE as tights will not be permitted with PE kit.

In Geography,

we will be looking at where food comes from in the world. We will consider the journey of food and understand what trade involves. Finally, we will be investigating our local area.

Our RE unit on the Bible will look at the Bible in Christianity, its origins, its role as a sacred religious text and how it is used by Christians around the world. Children will consider the authorship of the Bible, discussing the Christian belief that it is the Word of God whilst finding out about different writers of books in the Bible. They will discuss the different text types used in the Bible and explore a story in greater depth. Children will apply their learning to consider an item or book that is sacred to them, and reflect on how respect can be shown to things that are sacred to others.

If the road map out of the pandemic continues along the planned route, we intend to hold an 'in house' transition day for children moving up year groups in September, an Activity Week from 5th - 9th July, a Year 6 Leavers' Party and a Sports' Day and Speech Day presentation of some kind; all dependant on the Government guidelines at that time. The Sports' Day will take place on 13th July in the afternoon and the Speech Day on the morning of 14th July. Further details will be issued nearer the time.

To summarise - dates for your diary, (provisional):

8th – 11th June whole school assessments

21st June whole school photograph

5th – 9th July whole school Activity Week including Transition Day

12th July Year 6 Leavers' Party

13th July Sports' Day (afternoon only)

14th July Speech Day (morning only)

If at any time you have any questions or comments about your child, please do not hesitate in popping a note in the homework diary or drop me an email on mrs.crosby@elliottparkschool.co.uk and I will endeavour to get back to you as soon as I can. Homework should be completed by Tuesday, with both online my maths homework and weekly spellings on spelling shed. This is in addition to daily reading. Year four will complete their spelling test using an iPad in class on a Tuesday. Year four will also take part in daily quick fire time's table tests during maths lessons.

I am looking forward to making the most of our last term together and aim to ensure it is full of fun learning. I have loved being your child's teacher for the last two years and will miss this class (and parents) greatly!

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Vicki Crosby