



## **Elworth CE Primary – News Bulletin**

**Week Ending: 31st March 2023**

*'Love God, Love Learning, Love One Another' Matt 22:37-39*



### ***Verse of the Week: Revelation 21.6***

***'I am the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life'***

Dear Parent/Carers

We have had a very busy Easter week in school with Chocolate Bingo, Easter egg hunts, Prayer Space and The Easter Service. What a wonderful end to the term!

It is with great sadness that we are saying goodbye to Mrs Dean. We wish Mrs Dean all the best in her new role. We look forward to welcoming Mrs Shuff to the Year 3/4 team.

We also say goodbye to Miss Jones today who has been amazing in her role as Teaching Assistant. We wish her all the best for the future.

Finally we say goodbye to Mrs Wigston and Mrs Woollorton. Mrs Wigston has been an asset to our midday team for the last three years. We will miss them both.

Wishing you all a wonderful Easter break and I look forward to seeing everyone in the Summer term

Kind regards

Mr N Garratt  
Headteacher

### **Diary Dates**

Friday	31st March 2023	School closes for Easter
Monday	17th April 2023	Inset day
Tuesday	18th April 2023	School opens for Pupils



Tuesday	18th April 2023	Parents Evening
Wednesday	19th April 2023	Parents Evening
Wednesday	19th April 2023	Year 4 Bikeability
Thursday	20th April 2023	Parents Evening
Wednesday	26th April	Y4 Residential (26th -28th April)
Monday	1st May 2023	Bank Holiday
Tuesday	2nd May 2023	Y5 Safety Central
Wednesday	3rd May 2023	Y5 Safety Central
Monday	8th May	Bank holiday
Monday	15th May	Cross Country League @ Sandbach Boys School
Monday	22nd May	Cross Country League @ Sandbach United FC
Monday	29th May	Bank Holiday
Wednesday	21st June	Town Sports @ Sandbach Boys School
Thursday	29th June	School Games - TriGolf and Tennis Inclusion Event - 2:30 - 4:30 hosted on the MUGA.



# Office News & Reminders

## SCHOOL DINNERS

Week commencing 17th April will be the new summer **Menu Week 1**. You can find menu choices from Mellors on our website. **Please pay online via Arbor and can we kindly ask that accounts are cleared on a regular basis so balances don't build up.** The price for a school dinner is £2.30.

Anybody wishing to discuss their child's meal balance please contact the school office






## Elworth CE Primary School – Term Dates 2023-24



HOLIDAY PERIOD	DATE OF CLOSING For Children	DATE OF OPENING For Children	INSET DAYS Children do <u>not</u> attend
		Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept
Autumn Half Term 2023	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	Autumn term inset  TBC
Christmas 2023	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January
Spring Half Term 2024	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	
Easter 2024	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	
Summer Half Term 2024	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	
Summer 2024	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July		Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July & Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July





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# Phase News



We have had a super end to the term in EYFS. There was much excitement with the arrival of the eggs which the children have enjoyed watching them hatch into chicks. The children have been super helping to take care of them and they have really helped us to learn about life cycles. This week we also celebrated the capture of the robbers “Hefty Hugh” and “Lanky Len” in our story “What the Ladybird Heard” and the children wrote some super lists of things we would need for our party and made some lovely decorations. We then had a great time at the party today, eating crispy cakes that we had made ourselves and playing party games. The children have worked really hard this term and should be very proud of the progress that they have made. We hope that you all have a happy Easter and enjoy the break. We look forward to seeing you all when we return to school on Tuesday 18th April.

## Ks1

In Year 1 this term, we have loved our Meerkat Mail story as Sunny travelled around the world. We have learnt about the 7 continents of the world and even designed and tested a healthy fruit salad for Sunny to take on his travels. We have had a really lovely end to the term. The children really enjoyed the Easter Egg Hunt even though the weather was against us! They have enjoyed completing a variety of Easter activities including the Easter Story. They sang so well at the Easter concert and we are all very proud of them.

The children in Year 2 had a really enjoyable afternoon finding out about music from the past. We listened to lots of different styles and groups and even had a dance ! The children then went on to look at how fashion has changed over the years. The children got to look at the clothes some of the staff wore in the 1970’s and 1980’s . They have had the chance to design their own outfits. We were really impressed with the colourful designs.

Everyone in Key stage 1 would like to wish you all a happy and peaceful Easter and we look forward to seeing you back on Tuesday 18th April.

## LOWER Ks2

We have had a great end to the term. The children have taken great pride in presenting their Roman Soldier information texts that they have been working hard on producing over the last couple of weeks. The children have worked so hard on their writing and we are so proud of how hard they are working. This week, the children have also enjoyed taking part in the Bunny Run, Prayer Space and the Easter Service.



Today we say a sad farewell to Mrs Dean. Mrs Dean has been a great asset to our team this year. We'd like to thank her for all her hard work and we wish her all the best for the future. We welcome Mrs Shufflebotham to our team who will be teaching in Blackbirds.

We hope you all enjoy a lovely Easter break and we look forward to welcoming you back to school on Tuesday 18th April.

## UPPER Ks2

We have had a lovely end to the term in UKS2 and have been really busy right up until the last day. In the afternoons, we have been completing our DT work for the term and have researched, designed and made some fantastic model earthquake-proof buildings from art straws. We had great fun testing them and the children were really proud of their designs - we definitely have some future engineers in our midst!

In English, Year 5 have been busy researching and writing an information text about Chile to complete our South America topic. Year 6 have been busy with their SATs revision for the Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling test and have also completed some excellent work this week. We hope that the children have a good rest over the Easter break and we are looking forward to seeing them after Easter ready for a busy Summer term.



### ACTION PACKED UNTIL THE END!

Last week all of KS2 competed in our annual House Dodgeball Event. Across two days there were 24 dodgeball matches which included some extremely close encounters. Eventually, we were able to announce the winning team as the **GREEN** team. Well done to everyone for their fantastic dodging, throwing, catching and sportsmanship throughout the competition.

Our cross country team ran on Monday at Offley Primary School. Finishing joint 1st as a team. In both the boys and the girls races our runners performed superbly, representing the school values in every way. Highlights include 3 top 10 finishes across both races. The final two races are as follows: Monday 15th May @ Sandbach Boys School and Monday 22nd May at Sandbach United FC. We wish our runners the best of luck as the cross country league comes to a close and we hope to keep our hands on the trophy.

This week we were lucky enough to hold our Y3/4 House Football event. The event was split into a boys and a girls competition. With the results then being combined for an overall winner. Our PE team witnessed some fantastic football and were also handing our bonus points for a number of fine examples of fairplay and respect. A big congratulations to the **RED** team who came out on top winning the house football trophy. We hope everyone enjoyed the chance to compete.

Finally... today we hosted our annual Bunny Fun Run. All classes came out to bounce, jump and run around our course in the sun shine (and rain!) well done to everyone for giving it their all. We hope everyone enjoyed themselves and the easter treat they got to take home at the end of the day.

P.S. we will be announcing the dates for all our sports days on the return to school after the Easter break.

Mr Read & Mr Guildford

### PE TIMETABLE - Summer Term 2023

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<b>Monday</b>							
<b>Tuesday</b>							
<b>Wednesday</b>							
<b>Thursday</b>							
<b>Friday</b>	Fitness Friday - all pupils come in PE Kits						



Wow! What a fantastic turnout for Easter Chocolate Bingo this week. We were delighted to see so many families join us for this popular event where we raised over £1000 for the school.

The summer term is fast upon us, which for the PTA: THE SUMMER FAYRE!! To build on the success of last year's event we will be looking for some volunteers to help us organise this year's event. Our next PTA meeting which will focus on planning this great event will be on Thursday 20 April, 7pm at the school. If you can't make the meet but could help in any way please contact the PTA at: [ptaelworth@outlook.com](mailto:ptaelworth@outlook.com)

After Easter we have a number of events and activities starting with Break the Rules day on Friday 28th April. More details to follow after the Easter break.

There is a slight change of plans for the Coronation event. We will still be running the picnic and parents, young siblings and grandparents will be invited to attend between 12-1pm (the booking system will go live after Easter) but the potter element is now changing. Again we'll share more information after Easter.

Have a fantastic Easter.

Your PTA



# Events & Information

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to have an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit [www.nationalonlinesafety.com](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guidance, hints and tips for adults.

## 12 Top Tips for BUILDING CYBER RESILIENCE AT HOME

As a society, we're increasingly using technology and tech services in the home. Digital assistants which can adjust the heating or turn lights on and off; streaming devices for shows and movies on demand; games consoles; smart speakers; phones; laptops – the list goes on. As we introduce each new gizmo to our homes, however, we increase the level of threat from cyber criminals. It's essential, therefore, that we learn to become more cyber resilient in relation to the devices and digital services that the people in our household use.

### WHAT IS 'CYBER RESILIENCE'?

Cyber resilience focuses on three key areas: reducing the likelihood of a cyber attack gaining access to our accounts, devices or data; reducing the potential impact of a cyber incident; and making the recovery from a cyber attack easier, should we ever fall victim to one.

- 1. PASSWORDS: LONGER AND LESS PREDICTABLE**  
The longer, less common and predictable a password is, the more difficult it becomes for cyber criminals to crack. The National Cyber Security Centre's 'three random words' guidelines are ideal for creating a long password which is easy to remember but hard to guess.
- 2. AVOID RE-USING PASSWORDS**  
When you use the same password across different logins, your cyber resilience is only as strong as the security of the weakest site or service you've signed up for. If cyber criminals gain access your username and password for one site or service, they'll definitely try them on others.
- 3. USE A PASSWORD MANAGER**  
A good way to juggle different passwords for every site or service you use is to have a password manager. This software stores all your passwords for you, so you simply need to remember the master password. LastPass, OneDrive, Password and Keeper are all excellent password managers.
- 4. BACK UP YOUR DATA**  
Keep a copy of your data using OneDrive, Google Drive or another reputable cloud-based storage solution. If it's extremely important or sensitive information, you could even decide to keep more than one back-up version – by saving it to a removable USB drive or similar device, for example.
- 5. ENABLE MULTI-FACTOR AUTHENTICATION (MFA)**  
Multi-factor authentication is where you need access to your phone (to receive a code, for example) or another source to confirm your identity. This makes it far more difficult for cyber criminals to gain entry to your accounts and your data, even if they do manage to get your username and password.
- 6. CHOOSE RECOVERY QUESTIONS WISELY**  
Some services let you set 'recovery questions' – such as your birthplace or a pet's name – in case you forget your password. Take care not to use information you might have mentioned (or are likely to in future) on social media. More unpredictable answers make cyber criminals' task far harder.
- 7. SET UP SECONDARY ACCOUNTS**  
Some services provide the facility to add secondary accounts, phone numbers and so on to help with potentially recovering your account. Make sure you set these up: they will be vital if you're having trouble logging in or if you're trying to take back control of your account after a cyber attack.
- 8. KEEP HAVING FUN WITH TECH**  
Consider our tips in relation to the gadgets and online services your household uses. Protect yourself and your family, and don't let the bad guys win: devices are not only integral to modern life but also a lot of fun – so as long as you keep safety and security in mind, don't stop enjoying your tech.
- 9. CHECK FOR BREACHES**  
You can check if your personal information has been involved in any known data breaches by entering your email address at [www.haveibeenpwned.com](http://www.haveibeenpwned.com) (yes, that spelling is correct). It's useful if you're worried about a possible attack – or simply as motivation to review your account security.
- 10. CHANGE DEFAULT IOT PASSWORDS**  
Devices from the 'Internet of Things' (IoT), such as 'smart' home appliances, are often supplied with default passwords. This makes them quicker to set up, but also less secure – criminals can identify these standard passwords more easily, so change them on your IoT devices as soon as possible.
- 11. KEEP HOME DEVICES UPDATED**  
Download official software updates for your household's mobile phones, laptops, consoles and other internet-enabled devices regularly. Security improvements and fixes are a key feature of these updates – so by ensuring each device is running the latest version, you're making them more secure.
- 12. STAY SCEPTICAL**  
Cyber criminals commonly use various methods, including emails, text messages and social media posts, to trick you into giving up any messages or posts that are out of the ordinary, offer something too good to be true or emphasise urgency – even if they appear to come from someone you know.

### Meet Our Expert

Nery Henderson is the Director of IT at a large boarding school in the UK, having previously taught in schools and colleges in Britain and the Middle East. With a particular interest in digital citizenship and cyber security, he believes it is essential that adults understand online behaviour more aware of the risks associated with technology as well as the many benefits.

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🕒 10am to 2pm

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# SPRING BREAK 23

**FREE to Attend Events -**

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**Where/When?**

- Tues 4th April - Crewe Alex in the Community, Shavington—10:00—16:00
- Thurs 6th April - Sandbach High School, Sandbach—10:00—16:00

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# Easter Forest School Family Event



**Thursday 6th April**  
**10-11.30am**  
**12.45-2.15pm**

[www.cheshireforestschoool.co.uk](http://www.cheshireforestschoool.co.uk)

Woodland Easter egg hunt.

Make and take home an Easter Craft.

Enjoy a campfire with some toasted Easter snacks.

Lots of free play - in hammocks, on balancing lines, along the ninja line, in the mud kitchen, in our woodland theatre, building dens etc.

And...we may also have a special visitor too!





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# SANDBACH EASTER HAF

 play games

 make friends

 enjoy lunch

 have fun

3RD - 6TH & 11TH - 14TH APRIL  
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*To be added to list Contact Mandy  
Roscoe*

*[youththeatre@minervaarts.com](mailto:youththeatre@minervaarts.com)*

