



# September 2024 Newsletter



'Encourage one another and build each other up.'

**1 Thessalonians 5:11**

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a wonderful break over the summer holidays and it is so lovely to see everybody back in school. I would like to extend a warm Elworth welcome to all of our new reception parents. The children are all settling well.

Our year 6 children had a great time in their Residential at the Conway Centre and have had a wonderful time to start their final year with us. We understand some of the children have not received their leavers hoodies. Obviously we are very disappointed by this and are chasing Badged to get this resolved.

There will be lots of activities and trips coming up this term such as the Year 3 trip to Tatton Park and Year 4 to Macclesfield Forest. We will ensure trip details are sent home to parents as soon as possible.

On Thursday 10th October we will be supporting World Mental Health Day and on Friday 11th October will be Prayer Space Day. To support both of these we will be holding a wear yellow dress down day on Friday 11th October in exchange for a £2 donation. The donations will go towards Mental Health resources for the school and the Shoe Box appeal.

We are excited to let you know that we will be holding an Art Gallery on Monday 14th October. This will be an exhibition of children's art and will be held after school in the hall between 3:30-5:00pm. Further details of this event will be sent out nearer the time but there will be an opportunity to purchase your child's work.

We will need posters to advertise our Art Exhibition and would love the children to design some to go up around our school. Any entries must include exhibition date and time and must be submitted to Mrs Storer, on A4 paper by Friday 27th September.

We have made a slight change to the achievement assembly for this school year. We ask that children only bring awards from home at the end of each half term. We will continue to give out merit badges for achievements in school each week.

Could I ask all parents to please log in to Arbor and ensure that their child's meal account is kept in credit or paid in full at the end of each week. We have a large amount of unpaid meals across the school. I would also like to remind parents that accounts for Early Birds and Night Owls also need to be paid in a timely manner to allow this service to continue for your child.

Lastly can I please remind parents not to use the staff car park when dropping off and collecting their children from Early Birds and Night Owls. Can you please also ensure your children are not running around staff cars at the beginning of the school day.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend



## *Diary Dates*

Monday	23rd September	Football League - Sandbach United (Team B) - POSTPONED
Wednesday	25th September	Cross Country @ St Johns
Friday	27th September	Squirrels forest school
Monday	30th September	Football League - Sandbach United (Team A)
Monday	30th September	Year 3 Tatton park
Tuesday	1st October	Year 4 Macclesfield forest
Wednesday	2nd October	Cross country
Friday	4th October	Hedgehogs forest school
Monday	7th October	Football League - Sandbach United (Team B)
Thursday	10th October	World Mental Health day
Friday	11th October	Prayer space day & Dress down day
Monday	14th October	Art Exhibition
Monday	14th October	Football League - Sandbach United (Team A)
Friday	18th October	New reception intake open day
Monday	21st October	Football League - Sandbach United (Team B)
Friday	25th October	New reception intake open day

# Worship news

For anyone who doesn't know me my name is Cathryn and I'm the School Chaplain here at Elworth CE and also the Children and Families Outreach Worker across at St. Peter's Church. Our Christian values here at Elworth CE are so important to the way we treat each other and serve God and the community. Over the next term we'll be exploring the Christian value of Generosity starting with an amazing Worship series centred around the AWESOMENESS of God. We'll be exploring space and the stars and finding out some wonderful facts about our Universe. Next we'll be exploring God's amazing Creation and we'll be finding out about some really amazing creatures. We'll wonder at God's great generosity.

As Romans 1:20 says:

<sup>20</sup> *For ever since the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky. Through everything God made, they can clearly see his invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature. So they have no excuse for not knowing God.*

I'm also excited to report this month that nearly thirty of our Key Stage 2 children have written applications to be Worship Warriors for this school year. I'm sure that we're going to have a fantastic team of children helping with worship, prayer and bible readings. We'll also be developing their skills of courageous advocacy in all they do. It's truly wonderful to see so many children wanting to serve God and the school in this way.

Finally JAM Club (Jesus and Me) and Junior JAM Club starts again on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> September and this term we'll be extending our understanding of Generosity through bible stories, crafts and games. JAM Club is a tremendous way to enrich the children's knowledge and love of Jesus.

Can I extend a warm invitation to our families to get involved with the clubs we offer across at the Church Hall. Below you will see information about our two Friday evening clubs: Xlore for children from Reception to Year 4 and Encounter for our Year 5 and 6 children. These are free clubs and are a great way to learn about Jesus and have lots of fun with friends.

God bless.

Cathryn



## Office News & Reminders



## SCHOOL DINNERS

Week commencing 23rd September will be the **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

**Please can we ask that all parents log in to Arbor to clear any balances on their account**

### Elworth CE Primary school 2024-25



HOLIDAY PERIOD	DATE OF CLOSING For children	DATE OF OPENING For children	Inset Days Children do not attend
		Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept
Autumn Half Term 2024	Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov
Christmas 2024	Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan
Spring Half Term 2025	Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	
Easter 2025	Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	
Summer Half Term 2025	Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> June
Summer 2025	Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept

#### Bank Holidays:

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> April (Good Friday)

Mon 21<sup>st</sup> April (Easter Monday)

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> May (May Bank Holiday)

Mon 26<sup>th</sup> May (Spring Bank Holiday)

Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Aug (Summer Bank Holiday)

## TOY DONATIONS NEEDED



**Here at Early Birds and Night Owls we are always on the lookout for different resources to reuse here in club. So, if you are having a sort out of your child's toys and you are wondering what to do with them, EBNO would greatly appreciate them.**

**We are especially on the lookout for any Construction Toys, Dressing Up Clothes and Small World items.**

**Thank you**

**The EBNO Team**



## PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ARE CHANGING !

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force on 19 August 2024.

### Penalty Notices will be issued for

**Term time leave:** Penalty Notice fines will be issued for term time leave of 5 or more consecutive days.

**10 Sessions of Unauthorised absence in a rolling 10 week period:** A Penalty Notices may be considered when there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absences in a 10 week period.

However, we retain the discretion to issue a Penalty Notice before the threshold is met. For example, where parents are deliberately avoiding the national threshold by taking several term time holidays below the above thresholds.

### Per Parent/Per Child

Penalty Notice fines will continue to be issued per parent per child. For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

### First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular school attendance the fine will be charged at:

£160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days of the issue, reducing to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

(Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

### Second Offence

Where it is deemed appropriate to issue a second penalty notice to the same parent for the same pupil within 3 years of the first penalty notice, for either term time leave or irregular attendance the second penalty notice will be charged at:

£160 if paid within 28 days. (Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

### Third Offence

On the third time that an offence is committed within 3 years of the first penalty notice for either a term time leave or irregular attendance a penalty notice will not be issued. The case may proceed to Parental Prosecution under the Single Justice Procedure. If found guilty of the offence of 'Failure to send a child to school' the Magistrates can impose a fine up to £1000 or legal proceedings under Section 444 (1a) can include a fine of up to £2500.



# *Events & Information*





# Care for a Cuppa

St Luke's is your local Hospice

## St Peters Church Hall

Friday 8th November 12.30pm – 3pm




School Ln, Elworth, Sandbach CW11 3HU

Join us for lovely afternoon and enjoy a hot drink and cake. There will also be a raffle, tombola and some lovely stalls.



If you would like to attend, just show up on the day or email [community@slhospice.co.uk](mailto:community@slhospice.co.uk) to find out more.

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# PRELOVED CLOTHING

IS IT TIME FOR A CLEAR  
OUT? IF SO, WE WOULD LOVE  
YOUR ITEMS.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR  
DONATIONS OF CLOTHES THAT  
YOU WOULD BE HAPPY TO WEAR.

ANYTHING FROM BABY STAGE TO  
OLDER AGE. ANY SIZE, ANY  
STYLE. ANY NAME.

Why? Why not... Lovely clothes for next to  
nothing, with all proceeds going to charity. It's  
a no brainer in our eyes.

*We will welcome donations until 30th September.*

