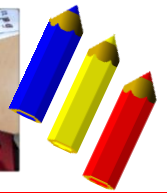




SUBJECT OF THE WEEK - PHONICS



This week the children have been engaging in a variety of fun and interactive activities designed to build their reading and writing skills. In Reception, the children have been practising their reading using the story 'My Dog Ned'. In year 1 we have learned new sounds and played some consolidation games such as sound bingo! Remember to check Google Classroom for phonics videos and activities you can do with your child, you can also check out Phonics Play for some fun games.

PARENTS' EVENING MEETINGS

Parent Evening Meetings will take place on the below dates:

Nursery	Tuesday 11 th February Wednesday 12 th February Thursday 13 th February
Main School	Wednesday 12 th February Thursday 13 th February

A letter was sent out via ParentMail this week with the full details of how to book an appointment. The booking system will open this **Sunday 19th January at 7:00pm** and close **Sunday 2nd February at 7:00pm**.

SMART SCHOOL COUNCIL



The Smart School Council have been working very hard to show all pupils how to use our fantastic new playground equipment. Each class will be responsible for one game a week, they are in charge of making sure all equipment is used responsibly and stored correctly. The Smart School Council has created a timetable to ensure every class gets full use of the equipment.

PUPIL PREMIUM

Pupil Premium funding is a valuable resource for schools aimed at enhancing educational opportunities for disadvantaged students. If you think you may qualify, please follow the [link](#) provided for details on the application process and to learn more about the potential benefits for your child's education.

ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026

INSET DAYS

Autumn Term 2025 3 rd September – 19 th December Half Term 27 th October to 31 st October	3 rd September 24 th October
Spring Term 2026 5 th January to 27 th March Half Term 16 th to 20 th February	
Summer Term 2026 13 th April to 21 st July (children's last day is Friday 17 th July) Half Term 25 th to 29 th May	20 th July 21 st July

RECRUITMENT OPPORTUNITY – FACILITIES MANAGER

The Lumen Learning Trust is recruiting. Are you a School Business Manager, experienced premises officer or facilities professional looking to take the next step in your career? We are looking to appoint a highly motivated, experienced professional to join our Central Team as Facilities Manager. More information can be found on Eteach or by clicking on this [link](#).

PIED PIPER



Morning Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and 2 enjoyed a performance of the '[Town Mouse and Country Mouse](#)' which was performed by The Pied Piper Theatre Company. This event was funded by the Children's Activity Fund.

YOUNG CARERS



In 2024, 72% of schools recorded having no young carers. We know that statistically that cannot be true. Do you think your child may be a young carer? You are likely to be a young carer if you are the sibling of a disabled or neurodivergent child. Follow the [link](#) to find out what could be on offer to support you and your child.

YEAR GROUP MEETINGS

ONLINE AND SCHOOL HALL STARTING AT 9:00AM

Nursery	Friday 31 st January
Reception	Friday 24 th January

FRIENDS OF EWELL GROVE EVENTS

Monday 20 th January	Krispy Kreme Pre-Orders Deadline
Tuesday 21 st January	FOEG Open Meeting 7:45pm
Friday 24 th January	Krispy Kreme Doughnut Sale Playground at 3:15pm
Thursday 6 th February	School Discos (See Parentmail Letter)
Thursday 6 th February	Book Club "The Midnight Library" by Matt Haig
Friday 7 th February	Quiz Night Booking info coming next week