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Ellingham Primary School

Our vision is to ensure that all pupils become:

Successful learners—who enjoy learning, use their mistakes positively,
make progress and achieve

Confident learners—who are able to live safe, healthy and fulfilling lives

Responsible citizens—who make positive contributions to society

Good evening everyone,

We really have been around the world with books this week. It has been fantastic. The strong focus on reading and the enjoyment of it has been exciting in many ways. We started the week with many staff members reading a paragraph, in assembly, from their personal favorite book of their childhood. The power of an adult as a positive 'reading role model' is invaluable. The week continued with each class focusing on a book from another country. I'm sure your children will have told you all about the activities that they have been doing in class as the week has rolled out. Yesterday afternoon, we held a House Team reading event outside, where children heard stories with a cultural twist. It was superb to read outside in the sun. The school is also now awash with artwork related to the books the children have read. I hope that you will be able to catch a glimpse of this next half term.

On a reading note, we are currently looking for Reading Volunteers to offer some time to school to support our development of reading. If you have time to spare on a regular basis, please contact the school office to give them your details. In order to become a reading volunteer you will have to undergo the relevant safeguarding check in order to be successful.

We have just finished our House Event this afternoon where children were on a 'Womble Hunt' following Police Detective like clues. They also had 'stranger danger' scenarios to dramatise and play out. Everyone was highly engaged and were clearly enjoying every minute.

Last night, The Friends of Ellingham had a successful meeting here in the school hall. They would like you to know, that those of you who have already given your email address to them will be receiving communication from them soon. We are just in the process of organising an Ellingham email address for them. Information about how to become a Class Rep will be coming home in your child's book bag in the week after half-term. Class Reps will be responsible to rally the troops at times of donations or organizing F.O.E. events, taking the lead on cake sales and being the point of contact for the class in relations to school events organised by the friends.

May I also take this time to say thank you so much for the kind words and support you have shown me over my first half-term here at Ellingham. I now feel settled and truly at home. Have a fantastic week. See you all on Monday 5th of June.

All the best,

Mr Atherton

Book Week 2017!



The sun has shone all week for our final Book week of the year and what a fantastic week it has been!

We have explored a range of texts from all over the world, and in a number of languages. In assemblies this week we have heard staff and children read from their favourite books, some in their native languages and enjoyed a detailed and entertaining presentation about Hook library from Jacob and Brianna in Cousins class.



Throughout the week we have spent time reading with our buddies, creating artwork inspired by our class texts, carrying out Library reading challenges, writing poetry and enjoying some shared reading in the sunshine with others in our school Houses.



We hope you will continue to explore books from other cultures and traditions so we can add to our display in the school hall.



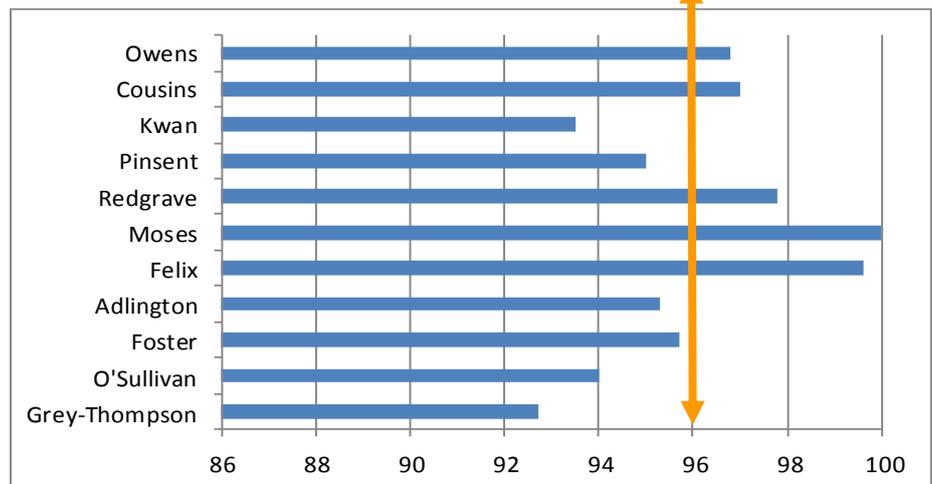
Borough Tennis Competition

Year 3 & 4 were represented by a group of children who played brilliantly at the Borough Tennis Competition.

There were 16 schools in the competition with our team winning ten out of the 12 group stage matches. They then went on to play in the final round where they finished in fourth place. The children were narrowly pipped to this position on points.

Attendance

Another week, another class with 100%. That is 6 out of 6 this half term which is fantastic. Well done Moses class for winning the attendance bear.



CONGRATULATIONS TO

The following children who have earned their House Point Certificates:

Bronze: Kaya B, Alfie F, Tyreece A

Sliver: Aimee S, Zac S, Isabel B, Talia B

Gold: Kiera W, Max W, Samara T, Shobhinie, Brianna

House Points

Emerald	180
Sapphire	205
Topaz	290
Ruby	220

