



Date
16/06/2017

Special points of interest:

**Sports Day 3rd
July - please see
the article on
page two.**

Fundraising ice-pop sale for the families at Grenfell Tower

From Tuesday next week, after school, there will be an ice-pop sale at the front of door. Mandy Mitchell has kindly volunteered to organise and run the fundraising and deliver the money to the appropriate body with some of our children.

I hope you will join us in supporting the families that have been affected by this true tragedy.

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

Welcome

Good afternoon everyone,
What a fantastic week!

We have been so lucky with the weather which looks like it is set to continue into next week too. Please could you help by making sure you send your child to school with sun cream applied, a sun hat or cap and a refillable water bottle.

One of the areas that I have been wanting to change for the children and staff of Ellingham since I arrived has been being all together at Playtime. I have recently been liaising with Mr Ali from Chessington Community College regarding using some space in the CCC grounds. This week has seen the beginning of the change!

We have been all out at the same time during morning play, since Wednesday. I have negotiated the use of the grass area by the oak tree and one of the courts from CCC. It has been great to see the whole school playing together and 'running free' on the grass area.

I hope to continue building a shared use of space with Mr Ali, who is also very keen to build links between both schools. Year 5 are due to be going over to CCC for an exciting science lesson in the next few weeks. Year 2 have been on their seaside topic trip today. We have received a few pictures as the day has played out. It looks like they have had a fantastic day.

Please take time to read all the exciting other events that are published on the following two pages.

Next week we look forward to the Infant Singing Festival held at The Rose Theatre on Monday afternoon and the Festival of School Choirs on Tuesday evening. I look forward to seeing all of you who attend.

Until then, enjoy a glorious weekend and I look forward to hear the news from the children on Monday.

All the very best,
Mr Atherton

Sports Day

We are busy preparing for our Sports Day on Monday 3rd July

With the introduction of the house system this year, class teachers will be putting all children into groups so that they can earn points by racing against children in other houses. Points will then be accumulated throughout the event and a winning house will be decided by the end of the session.

Please ensure your child has a full PE kit, including trainers or plimsolls at school with them on the day. As the children will be competing in houses, they can wear a t-shirt in the colour of their house. Please also provide a hat and apply sun block if it is a hot day.

KS2 activities will take place in the morning, starting at 9.30am

KS1 activities will take place in the afternoon starting at 1.15pm.

As we are holding the event at St Philip's there will be plenty of room for you to bring rugs and watch the fun if you would like to. If you wish to watch please return to school and meet outside the main reception doors and a member of staff will take you through to St Philip's and show you where to sit.

If the weather is unkind to us, we will have to cancel the event so fingers crossed that the rain holds off!



Artist's visit to year 6

This week Year Six were visited by John Whurr, a local artist. John specialises in watercolours and taught the children some skills which enabled them to have a go themselves. He also showed them how to do cartoons, and they really enjoyed trying to do cartoons of each other. Mrs Benham and Mr Caswell were not let off the hook—John did a cartoon of both of them too!



Kingsmeadow Sports Event



On Thursday a group of pupils went to Kingsmeadow to take part in a sports event based around the Paralympic values of courage and determination. We were proud of their excellent behaviour and they represented Team Ellingham with pride.

Year 3, 4 & 5 Summer Relay Tournament

On Wednesday 14th June year 3, 4 and 5 went to a relay tournament! We took the minibus to Kingston Grammar school. There were 25 schools competing and 35 teams in each race. Year 3 went first and they finished their tiring yet amazing race 2nd just after Latchmere. Next up were year 4 who gave it their all and came 9th. Year 5 finished 8th but unfortunately they did not make the top 3. Finally, we all gathered to get our medals if we needed one. Altogether this tournament was a blast and we hope to do it again soon.

-Zak Arnold
(Year 5 Cousins class)



Year 5 & 6 Tennis Competition

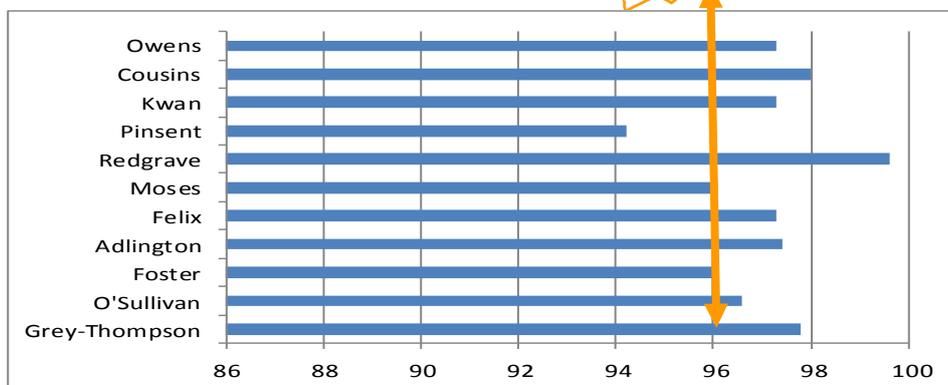
On Thursday 18th May, the year 5 and 6 mixed Tennis team competed in the Kingston Borough tournament at the Surbiton Racket Club. The team won 11 out of 20 matches in the group stages finishing second in the group missing out on qualification. Throughout the tournament we played 5 matches each. Altogether we played 20 games and won 11 and lost 8. We all had fun at the tournament (Leeland's questions were funny) and we hope to do it again.

-Leeland Fitzgerald
(Year 5 Cousins class)



Attendance

This week saw a record of 10 classes out of 11 surpassing our school attendance target of 96%. Well done to Redgrave class in particular who achieved 99.6%



House Points

Emerald	175
Sapphire	210
Topaz	240
Ruby	205

This week, the following children have earned their star certificates:

Bronze: Stanley B-T, Louie, Matilda M, George H, Samuel-James B, Lylee M

Sliver: Stanley B-T, Morgan G, Finlay H, Abhisheik V, Jaziba W, Ayesha M, Crystal-Marie T, Miliun M, Freddy H, Oskar T,

Gold: Stevilee F, Nadir A, Emma B, Jiya C, Lilly H, James D, Megan G, Ayesha M, Crystal-Marie T, Natasha I

Platinum: Lilly H, Jack T, Millie G, Samara T, Eloise K

