



Date
5/01/2018

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

We hope that you had a wonderful Christmas break. It was great to see the children returning on Thursday and to find out about all of the wonderful things that they have been up to over the break. We wish to convey our thanks from all of the staff for the cards, gifts and good wishes they received before Christmas.

We are delighted to be joined this term by Mrs Carole Haines who will be supporting Miss Kerry Peart in Year 2 Addlington Class and by Miss Ashleigh McDowell who will be supporting Mrs Emma Corps in Year 2 Foster Class.

On Wednesday, the staff took part in a South of the Borough Schools Conference along with other primary and secondary schools in the local area. As part of the day, we agreed on common goals for the Chessington and Hook Community:

- Healthy living
- Raising aspirations
- Parental engagement
- Working together more effectively



Dates

8/01 - Spring Term Clubs

24/01 - Reading Workshop for Parents/Carers

31/01 - Year 6 Trip to the Imperial War Museum

“We will let you know how these goals will be implemented at Ellingham and the impact for our children and families. It is great that our community is keen to work so well together for the benefit of us all.”

DATES:

There are several dates coming up that are worth putting into your calendars. Our Spring Term Clubs 2018 will commence on week beginning Monday 8th January. We have organized a Reading Workshop for parents/carers on Wednesday 24th January 2018 at 6.30pm. We have our Year 6 Trip to the Imperial War Museum on Wednesday 31st January 2018.

Closing date for applications to Reception 2018 is Monday 15th January.

Reading Workshop for our new home reading scheme!

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you'll go." — Dr. Seuss (Author of 'Cat in the Hat')



Please remember that we have organised a Reading Workshop for parents/carers on Wednesday 24th January 2018 at 6:30pm. This meeting will enable you to find out more about how reading is taught at Ellingham and what you can do at home to support your child's development. At this meeting we hope to share good practice with you and answer any questions you may have. It is important that as many parents and carers as possible attend this meeting.

Please complete the reply slip that was sent on Friday 8th December 2017 by Monday 15th January 2018 to indicate if you are able to attend and post it in the secure box marked Office, to the right of the main reception desk.

Spring Term 2018 Clubs

After school Clubs start next week!

Clubs run from the end of the school day until 4.15 pm. Clubs will begin in the week beginning Monday 8th January 2018 and end week beginning of Monday 5th February 2018. Clubs will re-commence from week beginning Monday 19th February 2018 and will end on week beginning Monday 19th March 2018.

All children, apart from those in the coaches clubs, will be brought to the main door to meet parents after the club ends, so parents are asked to congregate at the nursery end of this area. Children in the coaches clubs will meet parents at the playground entrance gate.

If for any reason a club has to be cancelled we will try to give you as much notice as possible. If your child cannot attend a club session for any reason it is very important that you, the parent/carer, let the school know in advance. For safety reasons **we cannot accept a verbal message from your child**. Every non-attendance has to be followed up and this ultimately takes up valuable club-time and can be frustrating for both club leaders and children. Regular non-attendance could result in the place being given to another child.

