

Elburton Primary School





26th February 2021 Number 10

Message from Mr Smithers... I do hope that all of our families were able to have a calm and restful half term. You will have seen the latest Government announcement regarding the full re-opening of schools on Monday 8th March. I welcome this move and we very much look forward to having all of our children back in school soon. Further details with regards to the full re-opening will follow next week. Our priority will be to rebuild our community whilst supporting the children's social and emotional welfare. We will re-establish relationships, routines and our sense of community. I will write next week with a full 'road map' to support the effective return to school.

Vacancies... We currently have two Teaching Assistant vacancies at the school. For

further information, please click on the link below or call the school admin team. <u>https://</u>elburtonschool.com/web/job vacancies/449400

Dr Bike... Thank you to 'Dr Bike' for visiting our school this week. Children who have been attending school provision, have brought their bikes to school and they are being serviced and maintained.



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Laptops... If your child loaned a laptop or Chromebook from the school for the period of lockdown, we would kindly ask that these are returned to school by Wednesday 3rd March. We will need to check each device and ensure that these are ready for use in school on Monday 8th March. Thank you for your understanding with this.



Stepping Stones Garden... Our garden make-over started taking shape over the half term. We can't wait for it to be finished completely! It will make such a difference to our children and has been planned for such a long time!

Balloon Race Results... Thank you to our PTA and 98 supporters who bought balloons for the virtual race. We raised £681 for the school during this event which is fantastic. Congratulations to 'Daddy Burton' who's balloon travelled the furthest



<u>Meet the Governor: Carolyn Haynes...</u> I first became a parent governor for Elburton School in 2006 whilst my children were in Foundation and Year 1. I enjoyed my time as a governor and converted to the position of appointed governor when they left the school. I have been involved in a number of initiatives as a governor and endeavour to support the school whenever I can. In particular I value my role in being able to act as a 'critical friend' to the school and enjoy being part of the Elburton School community.

2020-2021

22-02-2021 - 01-04-2021 20-04-2021 - 28-05-2021 07-06-2021 - 20-07-2021 03-05-2021 May Bank Holiday

2021-2022

06-09-2021 - 22-10-2021 01-11-2021 - 17-12-2021 06-01-2022 - 18-02-2022 28-02-2022 - 08-04-2022 26-04-2022 - 27-05-2022 06-06-2022 - 22-07-2022 02-05-2022 May Bank Holiday

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Dates for your diary 01.04.21 - End of term

20.04.21 - End of term 20.04.21 - Start of term 18.05.21 - Tempest whole school photo 23.06.21 - Tempest sibling and catch up photos

Tour of the Foundation Stage for prospective Parents can be found at: <u>https://</u> www.elburtonschool.com/ web/virtual tour/518203



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MKC Heroes Armed Forces Day Virtual Badge Competition 2021

The past year has brought many changes and challenges. It has certainly been a year we won't forget! And, as we're heading towards a brighter future, we'd like to celebrate by opening up this year's Armed Forces Day competition.

As you may appreciate, circumstances are still not assured so we've taken the decision to create a **virtual badge** competition this year, with the winning creation being displayed on Plymouth's Armed Forces website.

Entries should be sent digitally (a clear picture or scan of the drawing) to MKC Heroes -

mkcheroes@britishlegion.org.uk by 21st May 2021.

Please include the entry information below along with your image.

Aim for a simple, bold design that includes the words: Armed Forces Day 2021. Use A4 paper and send to <u>mkcheroes@britishlegion.org.uk</u> Your badge may be any shape and colour. Think about the Armed Forces taking part. Please do not include images of guns or fighting.

Entry Form

Name.....

Age.....

School/Parent/Carer Contact Name.....

Contact Details.....

Please send this information, along with your design to mkcheroes@britishlegion.org.uk

*The winning designer may be asked, by the Royal British Legion and local media, to contribute towards publicity for the event, including photographs and, potentially, video/TV. Parental permission will be required and sought as appropriate.