



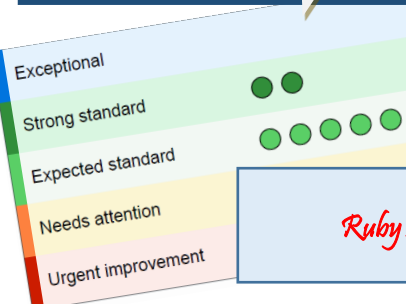
Ambition - Community - Equality



ELMS FARM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

1st May 2026

Proud to be an 'inclusive school'
Ofsted 2026



Ruby says... Article 29 Your education should help you use and develop your talents and abilities.

Dear Parents & Carers,

Next Week

A reminder that **Monday 4th May** is a Bank Holiday and therefore school is closed to everyone.

Thursday 7th May-the school is being used for Polling Day-school is closed for all apart from Year 6, due to the upcoming SATS assessments. A thorough risk assessment has been completed to enable us to have Year 6 on site. Parents and Carers should read the correspondence sent by the Year 6 team. Our usual attendance procedures will be followed for Year 6 on the day.

2026-2027 Term Dates

We have now scheduled term dates for next academic year. We have tried to allocate term dates to support families. Please take a look and book any holidays outside of these dates.

School Year 2026 to 2027

Autumn Term 2026

Term starts: Tuesday 1 September 2026

INSET 1st SEPTEMBER- Children return 2nd September

Half-term: Monday 26 October 2026 to Friday 30 October 2026

Term ends: Friday 18 December 2026

Spring Term 2027

Term starts: Monday 4 January 2027

INSET 4th January-Children return 5th January

Half-term: Monday 15 February 2027 to Friday 19 February 2027

Term ends: Thursday 25 March 2027

Summer Term 2027

Term starts: Monday 12 April 2027

Half-term: Monday 31 May 2027 to Friday 4 June 2027

INSET x3DAYS-19th to 21st July-Children finish school Friday 16th July

'GOLD' For Elms Farm!

We are very pleased to share that following an audit this week, Elms Farm is the very FIRST school to be awarded the 'Gold Inclusive Award'. This award recognises the school and community efforts in supporting everyone with attendance. Well done, everyone!

A special 'Thank you' to our EFPS Attendance Buddies who spoke so well to the assessor and also to our parent and carer attendance group who were also involved in the day. We very much appreciate your support.



Have a wonderful Bank Holiday weekend.
E Baxter
Headteacher

Article of the Month – May

Article 24 – Every child has the right to food, water and health care

This month we will be thinking about Article 24, the right to health care. We will in particular be thinking about the importance of good Mental Health as May is Mental Health Awareness month. At school we do lots to ensure that we look after our mental health for example wake and shake, yoga and mindfulness activities.



Head Teacher Award of the week

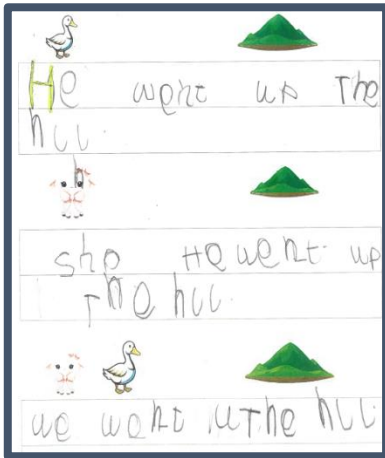
Well done, everyone!

Rec: Donaldson – Aleyna
Rec: Ahlberg – Ayla Rose
Y1: Cadbury – Jacob
Y1: Seacole – Elvis
Y2: O’Keeffe – Connie
Y2: Elgar – Liyanna
Y3: Newton – Kristol
Y3: Hawking – Alfie
Y4: Lewis – Eshal
Y4: Simmonds – Bareera
Y5: Shakespeare – Samiyah
Y5: Bloom – Alishaan
Y6: Duleep – Mariah
Y6: Barnardo – Olivia

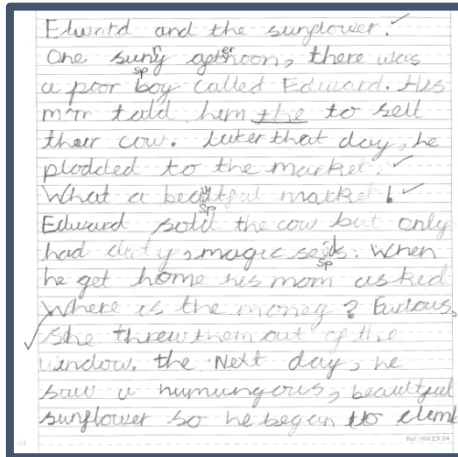
Class Attendance this week

Donaldson	94.1%	8.5
Ahlberg	95.9%	6
Cadbury	90.0%	13
Seacole	94.8%	7
Elgar	94.5%	8
O’Keeffe	94.5%	8
Newton	97.6%	2.5
Hawking	91.4%	9
Lewis	92.8%	10.5
Simmonds	94.3%	8.5
Bloom	97.7%	3.5
Shakespeare	98.7%	2
Duleep	93.4%	9.5
Barnardo	95.5%	6.5
Whole School	95.0	

Writing of the Week!



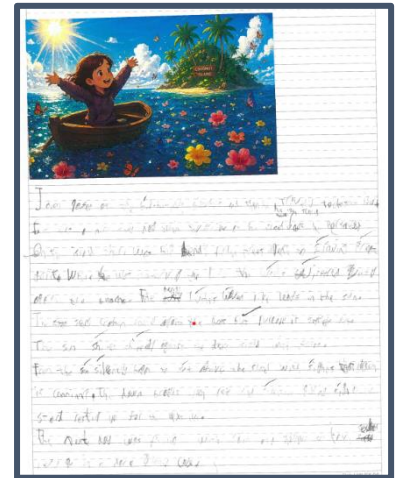
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Key Dates	
Monday 4 th May	MAY BANK HOLIDAY-SCHOOL IS CLOSED
Thursday 7 th May	POLLING DAY-School open to Y6 only, all other year groups remote learning
11 th to 15 th May	Y6 SATS Week
25 th May	HALF TERM
1 st to 3 rd June	Y2 Trip to Dodford Farm
8 th to 12 th June	Y1 Phonics Screening Assessment Week
Wednesday 10 th June	Reception Attwell Farm
Thursday 22 nd – 25 th June	Broadwater Residential Year 4
Friday 26 th June	9am – 11.30am SPORTS DAY Y1 & Y2 1.30pm – 3.30pm SPORTS DAY Y3 - Y6
Tuesday 30 th June	9am-11.30am SPORTS DAY Nursery & Reception
Wednesday 1 st July	Transition Day-Y6 to secondary schools & meet new teachers at EFPS
Friday 3 rd July	EFPS Community Picnic
Monday 6 th July	Reports sent home
Wednesday 8 th July	9am-11.30am Y6 Performance to parents and carers
Thursday 9 th July	Nurse graduation
Wednesday 15 th July	Y6 Disco
Friday 17 th July	9am to 11.30am Y6 Leavers Assembly with parents and carers
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