Ambition – Community – Equality

ELMS FARM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

25TH September 2026

Proud to be an 'inclusive school'

Ofsted 2026



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

Dear Parents & Carers,

The E.F.P.S. Ambassadors have been very busy this week organising their first fundraising event of the year in aid of MacMillan Cancer Research. This is a very important charity to our school community and we are very proud of the Ambassador team. Thank you all for your donations, we will update you with the amount raised in the coming week.



We have welcomed lots of parents and carers into school this week for our reading & phonics workshops. It has been wonderful to share the E.F.P.S approach with you and we hope that it has been useful in supporting your child with reading at home.

Head Teacher Award of the week

Well done, everyone!

Rec: Donaldson – Ziyaad
Rec: Ahlberg – Dear
Y1: Cadbury -Alisha
Y1: Seacole – Santiago
Y2: O'Keeffe – Aria
Y2: Elgar - Riley
Y3: Newton – Hafsa
Y3: Hawking – Logan
Y4: Lewis – Marley
Y4: Simmonds – Zayvier
Y5: Shakespeare - Ella
Y5: Bloom – Imraan
Y6: Duleep – Joey
Y6: Barnardo – Yameen



Class Attendance this week		
Donaldson	95.5%	4.5
Ahlberg	**97.7%**	**2.5**
Cadbury	99.3%	1
Seacole	93.2%	9.5
Elgar	**99.6%**	**0.5**
O'Keeffe	97.8%	3
Newton	96.0%	6
Hawking	92.0%	12
Lewis	93.1%	7
Simmonds	93.8%	6.5
Bloom	94.8%	7.5
Shakespeare	93.6%	9
Duleep	98.4%	2.5
Barnardo	**99.3%**	**1**
Whole School	96.0%	



Attendance Messages

Broken Weeks is the number of weeks your child has not completed a full week and as a school we track this information. We currently have 47 children who have only completed 2 / 4 weeks. If you need any support, please speak to your class teacher who will be able to provide you with useful tips and guidance

Did You Know?

- 90% attendance means a child misses around **19 school days** across the year.
- Missing just **one day every two weeks** can significantly impact learning over time.



Term Dates 2026-2027

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

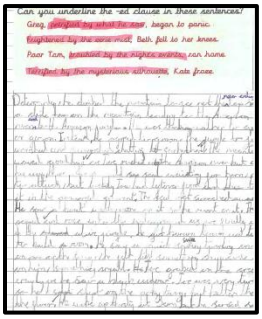
Term starts: Monday 12 April 2027

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

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

Writing of the week!



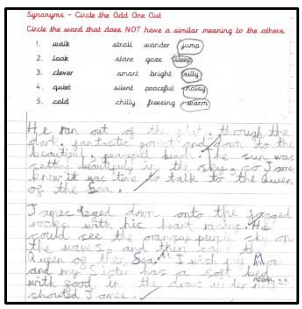


Asiyah – Year One

Natalie – Year Three



Afra – Year Five





Autumn Events 2026

28th September	PSHE School Bus for pupils
29th September	2.30 Reception Open day – Arts & Crafts
1st October	Pupil Photograph Day – Special Lunch
5th October	2.30 Reception Open day - Cooking
13th October	9am Speech and Language parent workshop
13th October	Parents evening
14th October	Parents evening
19th to 23rd October	British Values Week: Mutual Respect
26th October to 30th October	Half Term
3rd November	2:30pm Diwali Workshops EYFS
4th November	2:30pm Diwali Workshops KS1
5th November	2:30pm Diwali Workshops KS2
7th December	Y6 Winter performance at Church
16th November	ODD Socks Day
20th November	Christmas card competition - Deadline
8th December	9.15am Nursery & Reception winter performance 2.30pm Y5 Winter performance Winter Disco for KS1 – after school
9th December	Winter Disco for KS2 – after school
9th December	9.15am Year 1 & 2 Christmas Performance 2.30pm Y3 &4 Winter Performance
10th December	Christmas/Winter Jumper Day & Christmas school dinner
16th December	School pantomime performance
Friday 18th December	Last day of term

