

ELMLEY CASTLE NEWSLETTER

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Dear Readers,

Mothering Sunday Reminder—Mothering Sunday is this Sunday—the 26th March and Rev Richard cordially invites all families to join in the service at St. Mary's Church at 10am on this day to celebrate. Do come along if you can.

We have had workmen in school this week sorting out the roof for the Class 1 outdoor space. There has been a slight gap from the roof of the building to the start of the outdoor space which has meant that we have not been able to use the space fully during rainy weather. We are hoping this issue has now been solved. Overall, we have achieved a lot in terms of making the building safe and secure for all our children this year. Work so far has included; Finger guards on all internal doors, replacing the gate to the inner playground and making this more secure, removing all the sharp bits from the metal fence around the school, replacing/removing broken furniture, tightening door handles, removing a wasp's nest, mapping out fire routes in case of an emergency, placing a wooden gate at the end of the grassy lane up to the field, mending the fire escape exit for Class 2, replacing a cracked window in Class 2, re-boarded the flower beds and ensuring no nails are sticking out to catch anyone unawares, removing the rotten shed on the field and replacing the wobbly/rotten posts in our climbing frame. We will continue to be vigilant in terms of identifying and acting on all issues. Any help you can provide in pointing out any potential or real hazards would be appreciated. We can't afford to be complacent in such matters. **Regards, Claire Davies Executive Headteacher**

Mon	Breakfast Club Sports Endurance Club—Y2-5 After School Care
Tues	Breakfast Club Swimming—Y2-5 PE YR-1 After School Care
Wed	Breakfast Club PE—Y2/3, 4/5 Forest School—Y2/3, 4/5 Music Club—Y1-5 After School Care
Thurs	Breakfast Club Multi-Skills Club—Ye1-2 Netball Club
Fri	Celebration Assembly

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

We are proud of all our children but this week we are especially proud of the following children who received certificates for **Good Work** or **Good Behaviour** last Friday.

Reception Olivia
 Year 1 Hebe
 Year 3 Louis & Will
 Year 4/5 Bertie & Maddy



World Poetry Day Tuesday 21st March

I felt very privileged on Tuesday afternoon when I arrived at ECFS in time for the poetry recitals in the hall. Each child in Classes 2 and 3 had completed a learning log where they had written out their favourite poem—or created their own. To celebrate all this creativity, the



children took turns to read out their poem to an audience. Class 3 had even gone to the trouble of memorising their poems and could recite them without the words.

This board here is Josie's and you can see the effort she has put into displaying her favourite poem in an interesting way.

Not coming to school ? Please let us know !

We like to know our pupils are safe so please report their absence before 10am.

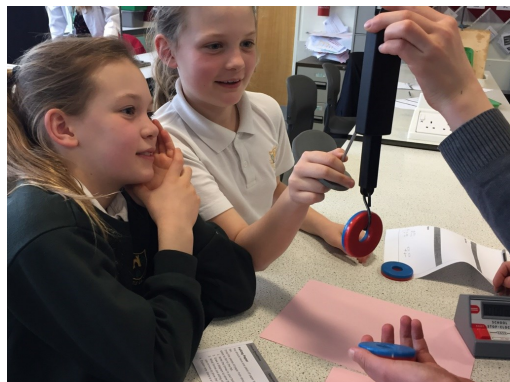
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Science at Bredon Hill Academy Wednesday 22nd March 2017

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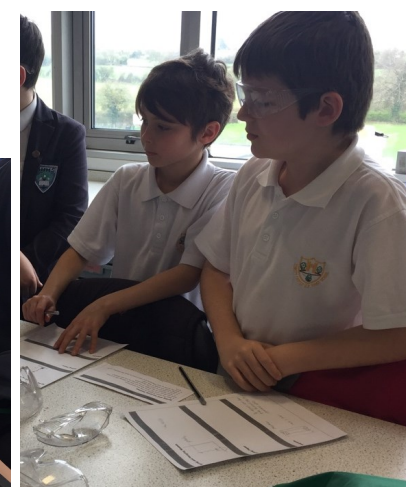
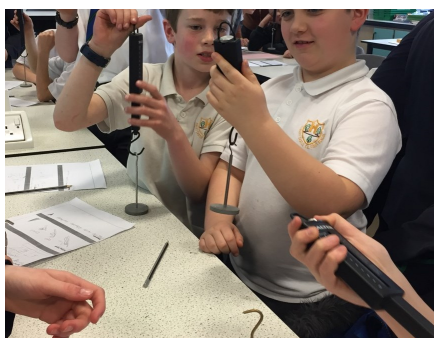
Wednesday afternoon Class 3 travelled to Bredon Middle School for a Science Workshop, run by the Head of Science Mrs Huntley. We learned about the different Forces and what forces can achieve. We also carried out lots of different investigations about magnetism, friction, gravity, up thrust, air and water resistance.



We were also able to use Newton Meters to measure different objects in Newtons (1N = 100g).

The whole afternoon was amazing, a lot of fun and really interesting. We also had a quick look around the school which was very large and confusing!

By Class 3

**ATTENDANCE**

We will keep you informed of your child's attendance percentage at the end of every half term. Our target for every child and every class is 95% or over. Please make sure your child is in every day unless they are genuinely ill. Thank you. The attendance percentages for the last five days are:-

Year R	100%
Year 1	100%
Year 2	100%
Year 3	100%
Year 4/5	98%

Congratulations Everybody!

Class 1 Trip to Coventry Transport Museum

Class 1 enjoyed a fabulous day out on Monday when they visited Coventry Transport Museum as part of their topic on Transport. The children were able to find out lots of information about different vehicles through the ages and took part in a workshop on the history of bicycles. As you can see from the photos below there was even dressing up involved—always the mark of a good day out! I know our staff are always very proud of our children when they take them off site and Mrs Roberts tells me this trip was no exception. The children were engaged, interested and asked lots of pertinent questions. Well done!



If you would like to receive your newsletter by email, please make sure the office have your current email address.

Important letters and newsletters come home every Friday.
Spare newsletters are kept in the entrance for one week.
Please help yourself.

Mrs C. Davies
HEADTEACHER