

ELMLEY CASTLE NEWSLETTER

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Dear Readers,

BELL-BOATING!

What a great way to spend an afternoon—and sadly no one invited me! Here is what Mrs Underwood had to say about the afternoon:

On Tuesday, the sun shone on Key Stage 2 as they spent a glorious morning on the River Avon. Our instructor, Jake, taught us the necessary skills to be a successful team at next month's bell boating regatta. We also learnt how a lock works and tried all sorts of tricks in the weir! The day was great fun but hard work and thankfully no-one got too wet. The children were a real credit to us and Mrs Barker did an amazing job steering us all to safety.

Well done! Mrs Underwood.

Regards, Claire Davies **Executive Headteacher**



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	Harrison
Year 1	Albie
Year 2	Tilly
Year 3	Lacey
Year 4/5	Maddy



Our Value this term is PERSEVERANCE

Perseverance is all about doing our best and trying hard - even when things are difficult. This is most important in our work and in our friendships with each other.



To explore this value fully, we need to look at;

1. The strategies that can help us keep on trying and not give up
2. The importance of always doing our best to stick at a task
3. Seeing a job through to the end; exhibiting endurance
4. How to stop ourselves from being distracted from our work, from our ambitions and from what we are trying to achieve

Here are the children who have been particularly good at demonstrating our Value this week;

Olivia, Izzy-Mae and Ruby

Sports Day Cups

Could all Sports Day Cups won last year please be returned by the end of this half term. Don't forget to have your child's name engraved on it before returning.

Class 3 Trip to Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway—Thursday 25th May

As part of their topic on World War 2 Class 3 will be visiting the GWSR to experience a day as an evacuee. The children will need to be dressed in 1940s style clothing. Further details will follow shortly.

Not coming to school ? Please let us know !

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

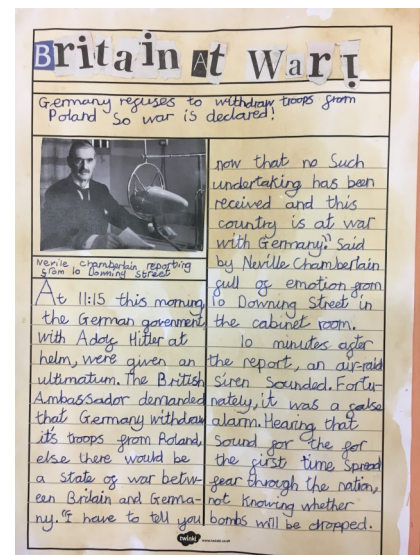
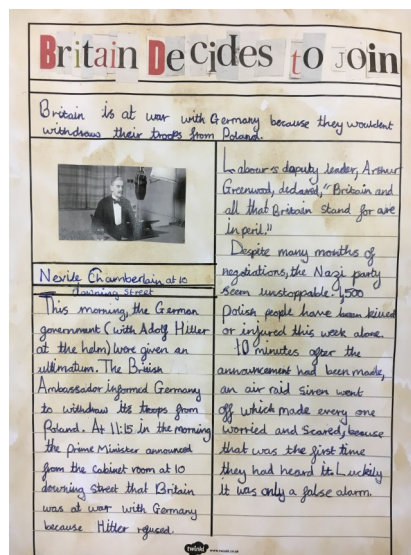
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Class 3 Writing

Class 3 worked hard on their Newspaper reports last week and produced excellent final pieces. They wrote about Neville Chamberlain's declaration of war speech as if they were journalists of the time.

Hopefully you had the opportunity to hear some of them reading out their articles in Friday's assembly.



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	100%

Congratulations Everybody!

IMPORTANT DATES TO PUT IN YOUR CALENDAR

8th May—Assembly in Church
18th May—Multi Skills At Bredon
Hancocks Playing Fields—Class 1
22nd May—Bags for Schools Collection
25th May—Gloucestershire
Warwickshire Steam Railway—Class 3
26th May—Oak Apple Day
28th May—Rev Richard's last Service
5th June—TED Day

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.

Oak Apple Day

Not long now to what everyone is promising to be the highlight of the school year!
Here are a list of the key roles for the day:

May Queen: Ruby
Cavallier: Richard
Page Boy: Kyle
Flower Girls: Maisie, Hebe and Lexi
Crownner: Maddy
Oak Bough Carrier: Bertie

The costumes for these roles are all sorted and we are hoping to see you all on the day. The rest of the children will need to wear the following:

Maypole dancers (Year 5s, 4's, 3's):

Boys will need to wear a white, long sleeved shirt; grey shorts; grey knee-length socks and black pumps. School provides each boy with a green tie to wear.

Girls will need to wear a flower head-band; a pretty summer dress and cardigan; white ankle socks and black pumps.

Younger children who are not involved in the Maypole:

The boys will need to wear their normal white school shirt under their green school jumper; grey shorts; grey knee-length socks and black pumps.

The girls will need to wear a flower head-band; a pretty summer dress and cardigan; white ankle socks and black pumps.

Mon	Breakfast Club After School Care
Tues	Breakfast Club Swimming—YR/1 PE Y2/3 After School Care
Wed	Breakfast Club Forest School—Y2/3, 4/5 Music Club—YR-5 After School Care
Thurs	Breakfast Club PE YR/1, 4/5 Cricket Club
Fri	Celebration Assembly Forest School YR/1

Can any parents help?

I know everyone is pressed for time these days but if we do have any parents able to help out a bit with the following we would be very grateful.

→ Breakfast Club on a Monday or Wednesday morning
→ Swimming with Years R and 1 on a Tuesday morning
→ Please let Mrs Cunningham know if this is a possibility—either weekly or on a rota basis.

Mrs C. Davies

EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER