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Congratulations to the following children who have received either an Assistant Head Teacher's/ Headteacher's Award this term:-

Year 3: Molly Atkinson, Bluebelle Baldwin, Joseph Bowen, Frankie-James Brant, Kara Cantlow, Harrison Carr, Jenson Clarke, Robyn Cooke, Jude Goddard, Marley Haines, Lexi Hammond, Ellie Hoskins, Dylan Meredith, Aaliyah Moth, Evie Perry, Isabelle Peters, Lottie Shemmell, Oakley Ridley-Stedman, Grace Stone, Lilly Taylor, Max Ware, Isla Waterman and Emily Wingrove.

Year 4: Charlie Jerrard, Hayden Parsons and Lilly Scott.

Year 5: Eva Cooke, Charlie Dade, Joshua Elbourn and Taylor Kenny.

Year 6: James Bolger, Erin Brewer, Bonnie Collins, Finlay Cousins, Taylor D'Arcy, Alfie Haines and Keira-Louise Wiles.

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Elson Values Trophy for Lower School is awarded to Lily Curtis.

Lily has been given this trophy for always showing aspiration because she tries her best in all lessons and always listens to feedback to improve. Well done Lily.

Elson Values Trophy for Upper School is awarded to Aimee Reed.

Aimee is an incredibly kind and thoughtful person. She always thinks about others and helps them if she is able. She always puts 100% into her work even if she finds it challenging. Aimee always follows instructions and completes what is asked of her without complaining. An excellent student. Well done Aimee.

Elson Sports Cup for contribution in PE and sport is awarded to Evie Yarwood

Evie has worked incredibly hard in her swimming lessons with Mrs White who has seen a huge improvement in her confidence, skills and determination to improve. Well done Evie.

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Elson Performing Arts Trophy is awarded to James Richards

James has superb concentration and determination during his drumming lessons. Well done James.

Year 3

Wow! We cannot believe it is the end of the year already! Year 3 have worked so hard all year and we are extremely proud of how far they have come. In the final weeks of year 3, the children have been enjoying their coasts topic. We have recently had a brilliant topic day. We walked to Hardway and the children had the opportunity to look at its features and think about how it compares to Stokes Bay. Back at school, the children created group collages inspired by beach scenes.

In maths, the children have been consolidating their knowledge of addition and subtraction. They have had a go at using 4 digit numbers in preparation for Year 4.

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The children were very enthusiastic about their transition days in Year 4 where they did some activities to prepare them for their first topic. They have enjoyed meeting their new teachers and getting to know everyone in their new classes.

We would like to thank you for all of your support throughout this year and for being so enthusiastic about your children's learning. We will miss them in year 3 but look forward to seeing how they are doing in year 4. All the best for a lovely summer holiday.

Year 4



We have all really enjoyed our River Topic this half term. Ask your children about the different features of rivers to find out how knowledgeable they have become. We have also enjoyed taking our Art lessons outside to paint in the style of Impressionist artists. It was very tricky to adapt to a different way of working but with perseverance, we have all improved. In P.E. lessons we have been playing Rounders and it has been lovely to see some excellent teamwork and children supporting each other to succeed.

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All the children have worked very hard in Year 4 and it has been lovely to see them developing into confident, resilient learners. We hope they will enjoy relaxing over the Summer Break and come back fresh and up for the challenge of Year 5 in September.

Congratulations to all pupils who have earned Homework Certificates this term and thank you to all parents for your continued support with your child's learning at home.

Over the break, please keep Reading with your children (the Hampshire Library Summer Reading Challenge - Space Chase - is a good incentive) and keep the Times Table facts ticking over. Have a lovely break!

Year 5

In literacy this month, we have been working on excerpts of the text, 'Holes' by Louis Sachar. The children have written two letters from Stanley to his Mum. One letter told the truth about Camp Green Lake and the other told his Mum that he was having an amazing time. The children then debated on which letter Stanley should send and why. They came out with some very convincing reasons for their choice.

In maths we have been focusing on place value. Last week the year 5 children had the opportunity to spend two days with their teachers in year 6. This went very

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smoothly and consequently the children are eager to start in year 6.



Due to pool issues at Brune Park School swimming last week did not happen, so all year 5 children had their final swimming lesson this week. The children have all made progress and their confidence in the pool has grown. Thank you to Mrs White and Mrs Clarke for being amazing swimming teachers.

We hope that your child has enjoyed their time with us in year 5, we have certainly enjoyed teaching them. Have a lovely summer holiday.

Year 6



The children in Year 6 have worked very hard this year and definitely deserve their summer holiday. The final week at Elson has seen them celebrating their time here with the annual inflatable party, picnic and BBQ. The children absolutely loved their end of year treat from PATCH and all had a great time.

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This week has also seen the children showing a sense of determination participating in their end of year performances to the rest of the school and parents. The two performances of 'Just So' were incredible and we cannot thank the children enough for all of their hard work, teamwork and creative skills to provide us with a show that is worthy of any West End stage.

The future holds so many opportunities in store for these young people if they continue to work hard and everyone at Elson Junior School wishes them good luck for the future.

Sports Round Up

As the end of the school year comes to a close I firstly want to say a huge thank you and well done to all the children who have represented the school this year in any of the sporting events we have taken part in, it has been a great pleasure watching you all succeed in something you love doing and representing the school with such pride and passion.



Congratulations to the netball team who have won the league scoring an impressive 125 goals. I have loved working with the team this year, as it has been great seeing how much they have progressed and how much passion they now have for the game, I

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hope they continue to love playing the game and look forward to seeing them turn into stars of the future netballing world. They will certainly be a team that will be hard to match next year.



Congratulations to all the children who took part in the Hampshire School it was an amazing achievement to represent the school on such a big sporting stage. The Athletics team came in impressive 20th position, which I currently our highest Hampshire ranking. Our netballers played amazingly well winning their first 3 matches. We have yet to receive our placing but know that we have would have finished between 4th and 8th place. All the children competed hard and represented the school with pride.



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Row Club



Over the last term some of our year 6 children had the opportunity to take part in an after school club at Oarsome Chance in Gosport. Oarsome Chance is a charity that promotes resilience and life-chances for children through 'on the water' and nautical based activities.

Last week Oarsome Chance held their annual Row Off competition, open to all children involved with the charity over the past year. Phoebe Hull from Elson Junior School won the Gold in both the 1000m sprint and the 4 minute challenge, she is now the new record holder in both. Well done Phoebe.

Book Fair



Thank you for all your support for the Book Fair on 12th July. Book sales on the day amounted to an amazing £553.00. As a result of this we will choose some lovely new books by way of commission that will be added to our library for everyone to enjoy very soon.

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Library Books

Recently we have recalling all library and reading books. Whilst many home been returned there are still some outstanding. If this applies to your child they would have had a letter earlier this week with the details. Please continue to look for them over the holiday, it is never too late to return a book. Thank you.
Mrs Smith
Library Manager

Space Chase

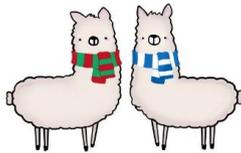


This year's Summer Reading Challenge started on 13th July and runs until 15th September so now is an ideal time to pop along to your local library and take part.

Children only need to read 6 books of their choice over this period and collect stickers (including some smelly ones!) to add to their collectors folder. Those who complete the challenge will be presented with a medal and certificate.

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Wellbeing And Family Support



HAPPY LLAMA-DAYS

Happy Llamas, young carers group, had a lovely day out at CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service) FitFest last week. They had a fun day learning about physical and mental well-being and all the enjoyable ways we can keep our bodies and minds healthy. I received lots of lovely comments from CAMHS afterwards about how impressed they were with the children's behaviour and understanding of well-being and emotions. Well done Happy Llamas - as always.

We celebrated the end of the year and said goodbye to our year 6 children by having an ice cream party. Good luck to our year 6 Llamas in their Secondary School adventures and I look forward to seeing the rest of the Happy Llamas in September.

If you think that your child is a young carer due to challenges at home please contact Mrs Hull.

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ELSON EXPLORERS

Our new club, Elson Explorers has been a great success this term. The children requested to make stress-balls as their end of term treat. We usually meet on Thursday lunchtimes.

Elson Explorers is open to any child who has parents from other countries / ethnic backgrounds. We would welcome any new members.



ELSON HEROES

Elson Heroes celebrated our first year of collaboration with the veterans of First Light Trust this week with a picnic at the Falkland Gardens in Gosport. The children and veterans loved blowing bubbles, playing boule and having an ice cream together.

I look forward to seeing all the Elson Heroes again in September.

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The school is hosting the Family Links Course in September. It has received very positive feedback from the parents who have attended so far. If you fancy learning more about family well-being please contact Mrs Hull and join the course in September. Refreshments and a free book are provided.

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School Absence

If you have previously received a penalty notice and take further unauthorised absence, please be aware that Hampshire County Council no longer allow us to simply issue another fine. Instead, we must now refer the absence to the Absence Legal Panel at Hampshire County Council who will then assess the case and decide whether to pursue legal action.

School Meals



School meals will go up to £2.40 with effect from 1st September 2019.

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Non-uniform Day

Thank you to everyone who took part in the non-uniform day to help raise funds for Connor's younger brother. In total we raised the fantastic sum of £318.95.



School starts on Thursday 4th September 2019 - We wish you all a very happy summer holiday.

SCHOOL DIARY 2019-2020

Monday	22.07.19	INSET Day 4
Tuesday	23.07.19	INSET Day 5
Wednesday	04.09.19	INSET Day 1
Thursday	05.09.19	School Starts 0845
Week beg.	09.09.19	Yr 6 Residential to Osmington Bay
Friday	25.10.19	School breaks up at 1515
Week beg.	28.10.19	Half Term Week
Monday	04.11.19	INSET Day 2
Tuesday	05.11.19	School starts at 0845
Friday	20.12.19	School breaks up for Xmas
Monday	06.01.20	School starts at 0845
Friday	14.02.20	School breaks up at 1515
Week beg.	17.02.20	Half Term Week
Monday	24.02.20	School starts at 0845 Year 4 Residential to Stubbington Study Centre until 26.02.20
Friday	03.04.20	School breaks up for Easter 1515
Monday	20.04.20	School starts at 0845
Monday	30.03.20	Year 5 Residential to Stubbington Study Centre until 01.04.20
Monday	04.05.20	School closed - Bank holiday
Thursday	07.05.20	INSET DAY 3 - Polling Day - School Closed
Friday	22.05.20	School breaks up at 1515
Monday	01.06.20	INSET Day 4
Tuesday	02.06.20	School starts at 0845
Friday	26.06.20	INSET Day 5
Wednesday	22.07.20	School breaks at 1515 for Summer break