



Newsletter

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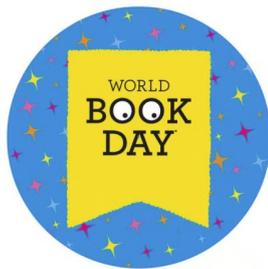
Welcome back! We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable half term.

Please take a moment to check this week's newsletter for full details about Elm Grove School's World Book Day celebrations and the exciting opportunity to enter the Royal Academy Young Artists' Summer Show. We'd love to see as many children as possible taking part!

We are also beginning to collect donations of Easter eggs, which will be gifted to the children's hospital. Any contribution—big or small—will be hugely appreciated.

Thank you.

Admin Team



We will be celebrating World Book Day with our traditional dressing up assembly on **Friday 6th March 2026**.

Children are invited to come to school dressed up as their favourite book character. There will be a small prize for the most inventive costume in each year group.

If children do not want to / are not able to dress up, they can come in their pyjamas with a copy of / picture of their favourite book.

We will be doing a "stop and read" event during the week, classes will pair up and younger children will be invited to enjoy reading with older children.



Elm Grove School has registered for pupils to take part in the Royal Academy Young Artists' Summer Show. This national programme invites UK artists aged 4–19 to submit artwork that expresses their own voice. There is no set theme, and entries can include anything from drawing, painting, printing, photography and sculpture to textiles, fashion, animation or video.

The deadline to submit artwork is 4th March 2026.

- You can submit **one artwork per student**
- For each submission you'll need one image of the artwork plus details including a **title, medium and a short description**

Please see the additional information attached on guidance for submissions.

If you would like to enter one of your child's pieces of art, please send any artwork to:

admin@elmgrove.brighton-hove.sch.uk FAO Miss Ahmed.



Mr Waring's Sports News



We took a group of Y5/6 girls to an indoor cricket competition recently. They picked up the rules and tactics of the game impressively quickly and, as always, did themselves and the school proud, winning one of their three matches. Well done to: Betty, Nina, Dulcie, Momo (Oak); Ripley, Mei (Elder); Estelle, Ruby M (Rowan).

FRIDAY 6TH MARCH
ELM GROVE WORLD BOOK DAY

THE PTA ARE HOSTING THE ANNUAL

BOOK BONANZA!

This is a lovely opportunity for every child to go home with a FREE book for them to keep. But WE NEED YOUR HELP!

This week please clear your bookshelves and donate good quality children's books for the bonanza

Donations can be placed in the PTA shed opposite the Pantry from

MON 2ND - WEDS 4TH MARCH
NEXT WEEK!!

If you'd like to volunteer to help sort books or be a part of the Book Bonanza please email becs.elmgrovepta@gmail.com

THANK YOU!

Easter Egg Donations

We are collecting Easter eggs to donate to the children's hospital. Please bring donations to the school office.

Thank you.

Child Absence. If your child is unwell, please remember to report this absence either on the Arbor App, on the school absence line (01273 708004) or email the school office (admin@elmgrove.brighton-hove.sch.uk).



Golden Book Merits

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|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Beech | Fallon, Iris, Raphy |
| Birch | Cohen, Orson, Grace |
| Baobab | Elijah, Aoife, Sorrel |
| Bonsai | Tommy, Zoe, Manon |
| Holly | Zofia, Red, Gethin |
| Horse Chestnut | Esmae, Lizzie, Harper |
| Cedar | Buzz, Rudy, Lula |
| Cypress | Lottie, Mia, Nate |
| Redwood | Eddie, Esmae, Robyn |
| Rowan | Talula, Zen, River |
| Elder | Gabriel MB, Charlie, Kieran |
| Oak | Victorie, Raya P, Misha |

Hot Chocolate Club

- Olivia from Beech
- Leo FD from Birch
- Remi from Baobab
- Jax from Bonsai
- Lighten from Holly
- Otto from Horse Chestnut
- Kara from Cedar
- Frank from Cypress
- Freddie from Redwood
- Ava-Rose from Rowan
- Ripley from Elder
- Momo from Oak



REMINDER

We have several children in school with nut allergies that are also airborne. Please do not send any foods /packed lunches which contain nuts into school.

Key Dates:

| Event | Date |
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| 3rd and 5th March | Parent consultations |
| 6th March | School World Book Day |
| 20th March | Headteacher for the Day |
| 20th March | Year 5 VE day picnic |
| 21st & 22nd March | Workshop build days for Children’s Parade |
| 27th March | Y3 Cake sale & non-uniform |
| 30th March—10th April | Easter Holidays |
| 13th April | Back to school |
| 1st May | Y1 Cake sale. NOT non-uniform |
| 2nd May | Children’s Parade |
| 4th May | Bank Holiday |
| 16th May | Spring Fair |
| 22nd May | Reception Lolly sale & non-uniform |
| 25th —29th May | May Half term |
| 1st & 2nd June | Inset Days |
| 3rd June | Back to school |