

ELEMENTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter – 18th March

Dear All,

We have enjoyed the sunshine this week and the children have been very busy. From making 'marvellous medicine' in Year 2, to learning about Phileas Fogg's epic journey in Year 1, we have loved bringing our 'Lost in a Book' topic to its 'final chapter'.

We have added new information to the newsletter this week. We have a 'Sounds for Year 1' section, where you can find out the phonemes that your child has been learning or reviewing in school.

If you would like to know what you have to prepare in readiness for your child's learning, please look at the 'Events for Your Diary' section. We know that these newsletters are jam-packed with lots of information. My personal top-tip is making a list of things to do after you've read it.

Have a restful weekend,

Mrs Martin



Meet Mrs Pickin!

Mrs Pickin's role in school is to provide support, advice and information to the families within the wider community. Sarah is our Pastoral Lead at Elements; she has worked at Elements for three and a half years. She can help with any worries that you might have in relation to your child's education, behaviour and well-being.

She is also someone you can talk to if you need it. She may not have all the answers but hopefully she can help you work out how to find them.



Sarah believes every child should learn and grow in a safe, nurturing environment where the potential of every child can be developed and realised as fully as possible, cultivating a positive and happy self image that encourages them to dream big, work hard and be kind.



SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

- Providing information and signposting to other services
- Liaising with a range of external services such as Social Care and the Cluster Team
- Attendance, school support and other agency meetings
- Advice support in promoting positive behaviour at home

SUPPORT FOR PUPILS

- promote good attendance and punctuality
- Promoting confidence and self esteem
- Promoting positive behaviour and constructive attitudes to learning



Events For Your Diary

- 21st-1st April – No Curriculum clubs (Football & Ballet/dance paid clubs will still run)
- 22nd March – Coffee Morning
- 29th March – Movie Night
- 30th March – Year 1 trip to National Railway Museum
- 31st March – Year 2 Book Launch!
- 1st April – Year 1 Dress Up Day



Coffee Morning

We are holding an informal coffee morning for parents and carers to come to. This is a great opportunity for you to meet Miss Green our interim Executive Principal and Mrs Martin our Assistant Principal.

Different teachers that work with you child will be available through the session. This will take place on Tuesday 22nd March at 9am – 10am

Attendance

Stars	83.1%
Diamonds	90.4%
Shine	95.1%
Dazzle	93.3%
Inspire	92.2%
Discover	90%
Motivate	93.7%
Excel	96%
Whole school	91.6%



STOP

Driving Safely

We have had reports from parents and local residents about unsafe driving in the area and inside school. Please drive and park safely to prevent accidents and to be considerate to the local residents



We are here to help

We are always happy to speak with you about any concerns or questions you have regarding your child or the school.

In the first instance we ask that you speak with your child's class teacher. If you wish to then speak with Mrs Martin please contact the school office to arrange an appointment.

Please contact Mrs Miller the PA to the Executive Principal to arrange an appointment with Miss Green our interim Executive Principal.



Medication

If your child requires medication during school, please bring this to the main office and complete a medication form.

You will be able to collect the medication at home time from the main office.

Please note we can only give medication that has been prescribed by a doctor.



Year 1 - Carnival of the Animals

On Friday 1st April, Year 1 will be having a dress up day to help us launch our new topic 'Listen' in which we will be exploring 'The Carnival of the animals'. On this day we would love it if Year 1 could come dressed up as one of these animals: lion, hen, donkey, tortoise, elephant, kangaroo, fish, bird.

Here are some pictures to help inspire you!



Year 1 - Phonics

Miss Turner - Dazzle

This week in phonics we have been learning lots of different sounds. We have looked at 'air', 'ar', 'oo' (as in look in a book) and 'c' (as in ice).

Mrs Lee - Shine

This week in phonics we have been recapping on our split digraphs. We have revisited e-e (delete these) a-e (shake the dice for the game) u-e (luke is rude) i-e (in a while crocodile) and o-e (Hope it's home time).

Year 2 are Published Authors!

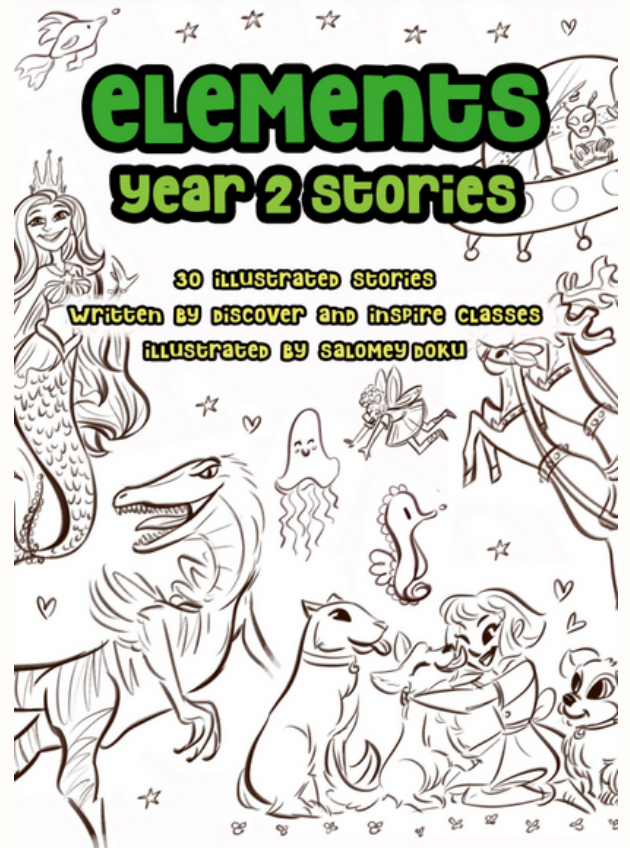
Year 2 are very excited to invite their loved ones to their Book Launch!

On Thursday 31st March, we will be hosting a very special event to celebrate the hard work of our Year 2 children in their writing. From reading exciting excerpts, to enjoying yummy drinks and treats, we can't wait to show you the amazing things we have been doing!

Events:

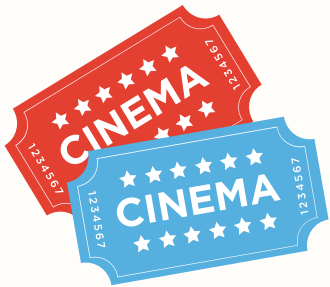
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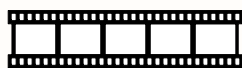


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Movie Night



We are holding a movie night for the children on Tuesday 29th March

If you would like your child to attend it's £5 a ticket which includes a hot dog, popcorn and a drink.

Reception & Year 1 will have their movie night at 3pm to 4:15pm

Year 2 & 3 will have their movie night at 4:45pm to 6:15pm.

Children who are attending the later session must go home as normal and return for the event unless registered for touchdown.

We have limited spaces for this and it will be on a first come first served basis.

You can now purchase your ticket from the office. CASH ACCEPTED.

Stars of the Week

Well done to our stars of the week!



Weekly Class Snapshot

Reception – Stars

This week in reception the children have really enjoyed using their hands and fingers to paint. They have all enjoyed making various pictures such as Ghosts which links to theme this week as well as hand prints linking to our school rules of 'Safe Hands' and the story book 'We are Kind'.



Reception – Diamonds

In phonics, the children have enjoyed playing an interactive game on the smart board matching CVC words to the pictures as well as feeding the hungry dragons words which are grammatically correct.

Year 1 – Dazzle

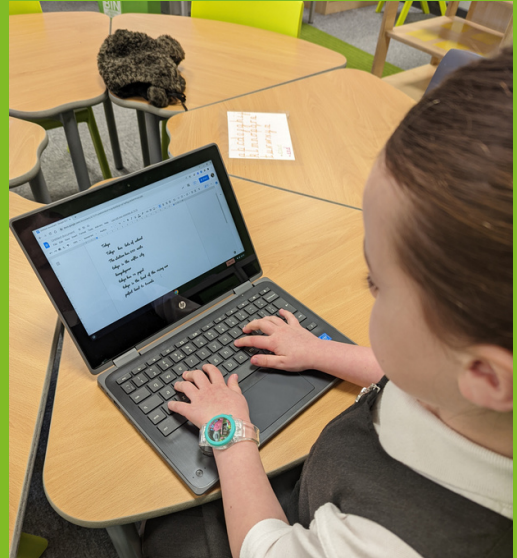
In our creative project this week we have been creating the New York City skyline. We loved using the oil pastels to create our sunset backgrounds. We had lots of fun blending the colours together!



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Year 1 – Shine

This week the children have worked on their computers! They have loved creating their own fact file on Google Docs and have been logging in, opening a document and typing independently.



Year 2– Inspire

In our Stem project, we decided to make our own bottle of marvellous medicine! First we explored how different liquids don't always mix together and then we used this information to create our own magic medicine!.

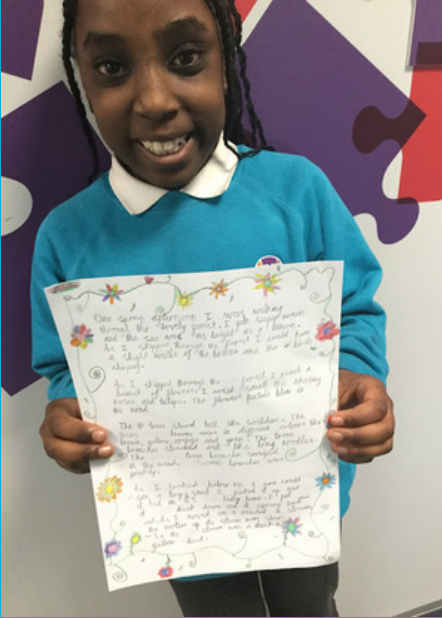


Year 2 – Discover

We have been practising our throwing and catching skills in PE this teaching block.

This week we put those skills to the test and played a game of bench ball in two teams. We learnt about attacking and defending and had lots of fun working collaboratively.

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Year 3 – Excel

The children have been working exceptionally hard to apply their learning surrounding personification and similes into some brilliant story settings. They edited and redrafted their work using green biro, enhancing their already written work with ambitious adjectives and adverbs, before writing up their beautiful settings into a “polished piece”. To finish, they added a lovely flowering border.

Year 3 – Motivate

The children have enjoyed being ‘lost in a book’ this week in partner reading. They have been reading *The Pebble in my Pocket*. The children worked really hard with their partners to sound out some tricky words!



Touchdown

This week in Touchdown we have been playing lots of different games and using lots of different resources. We are always so happy to go into Touchdown and the staff are all friendly and welcoming. Look at how much fun we are having!

