

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are already into February and there is not long left of the Winter. The children have worked hard this half term with their learning and I would like to say how proud I am of them for achieving their reading milestones. Some children have read 150 times since September! Next half term we welcome back our Seals student Miss Crump and say goodbye to Mr G in Seahorses. Mr Neal will be welcoming his new baby in February and will therefore be away from class for two weeks after half term. We wish him and his family all the best at this exciting time.

PLEASE REMEMBER: WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL. Please can you check that no lunch box items contain nuts.

Booking Parent Consultations

Booking for parent consultations are open now for Seahorses parents and will be open from Monday 6th February to Friday 10th February. This time you have the opportunity to book either a face to face meeting or a telephone meeting.

Seals –Tuesday 21st February - telephone, Thursday 23rd February- face to face

Dolphins –Wednesday 22nd February –telephone, Thursday 23rd February face to face

Seahorses- face to face **Thursday 9th February**

Starfish – Thursday 23rd February face to face, Tuesday 21st February telephone

Nursery- Thursday 23rd February telephone 1-3pm, Thursday 23rd February face to face 3.20-5.50pm

Welcome new Governor

All of our Governors continue to work hard behind the scenes. We are pleased to welcome a new governor to our team: Amy Dolan who is a parent governor.

If you feel you would be interested in this role we still have one place on our supportive and friendly team.

See our website for further information.

Children's Mental Health Week

The 6th – 10th February – Please look on our website for ways to support you and your child's wellbeing.

<https://www.elinginfant.co.uk/emotional-health-and-wellbeing/>

Year R Requests

Year R would like any old pairs of tights and trousers for using as spares.

They would also like any good condition decking planks for the children to use to build bridges!

Mid-Year Reports

We will be sending out the children's mid-year reports on for Seahorses on Friday 3rd February and for all other classes on Friday 10th February.

If you wish to discuss this report with your child's class teacher then please ensure you book a parent consultation via the ARBOR app.

NSPCC Maths Day

Thank you for your generous donations. The children looked fantastic in their 'number' costumes. The school raised over £50 for the NSPCC.

Nursery spaces

As parents of the school we would like to give you priority booking in our nursery. We currently have limited spaces left for the summer term (after Easter) and would like to give you this opportunity to register before we advertise to the wider community. Any child registered with our nursery have additional school admission priority.

<https://www.elinginfant.co.uk/nursery-handbook/>

Remember 20th February INSET day.

Return to school Tuesday 21st February 2023

Many thanks for your continued support.

Trina Sillence Headteacher