

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are nearly 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!

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



Attendance

We had a great start to the school year with regards to attendance. Well done everyone. It really is a community effort.

We can really see that when the children are in school all day, every day then the learning they achieve is phenomenal. They are capable of great things.

Sadly, attendance has fallen dramatically since November. Please can I remind you that your child has to be in school everyday they are well.



Arbor

If any of your details change please don't forget to log onto Arbor and make the changes or contact the school office. It is important that we have up to date contacts, address details and medical information, to keep your child safe.

Early collection

Please remember that early collection from school (2.50pm) should only be for those families who need to collect from other local junior schools. Any other families collecting at this time have to have prior agreement from Mrs Sillence. Obviously remaining in school until 3pm is the preferred plan as the children will be missing their daily storytime.

Birthdays

We understand that having a birthday is a really special occasion for the children and we always make a fuss of them in school. They get their birthday award in assembly but we kindly ask that sweets or cake are not brought in to school as we have a number of children with severe food allergies. Thank you for understanding.

Parent consultations

We look forward to seeing you all at our parent consultations the week we return to discuss your child's targets for the rest of the year. Booking will open on Monday 9th and close at midday 13th February This is a great opportunity to discuss with your child's teacher how their learning can be supported at school and at home.

NSPCC Maths Day—Thursday 5th February

On Thursday 5th February we will be taking part in NSPCC Maths day. The children will have a day packed with lots of number fun. Please remember to come dressed as a number for a small donation to the NSPCC.

Nursery spaces

We are now taking bookings for September 2026. Any child registered with our nursery has priority school admission.

<https://www.elinginfant.co.uk/topic/eling-nursery-class>

We are looking for someone to join our Nursery Team! See our website or speak to Mrs Sillence if you are interested.

<https://www.elinginfant.co.uk/staff-vacancies>

Return to school **Monday 23rd February 2026**

Diary dates for next half term are attached

Many thanks for your continued support.