Issue 5 - Monday 20th November

# Elsworth Extra!

*'...act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with your God.' Micah 6:8 (b)*

## Headteacher Awards

**Well done to the following children who have received their Headteacher awards.**

**Friday 13th November**

**Sapphire class - Agnes and Gabriel**

**Emerald class - Phoebe and Elodie**

**Ruby class - Juliet and Isaac**

**Aquamarine class - William, Jasmine, Efie, Beatrice P**

**Diamond class - Darcey-Rose**

**Friday 20th November**

**Sapphire class - Winter and Jenson**

**Emerald class - Stella and Lottie**

**Ruby class - Felix and Annabel**

**Aquamarine class - Ethan and James R**

**Diamond class - JJ and Sienna**

The children and staff enjoyed wearing odd socks last week as part of 'Conflict Resolution' week. We welcomed Laura Barnes from the PHSE service to school on Thursday. Laura worked with and trained up our children in Years 5 and 6 who volunteered to be a Peer Mediator.

On Friday 13th November, the hall was the brightest we have ever seen it! Thank you to Junior Travel Ambassadors (JTA) for organising a fantastic Be Bright, Be Seen day.

Children in Sapphire and Emerald class have been practising songs for their Nativity called 'The Nativity'. It has been lovely hearing the songs in school.

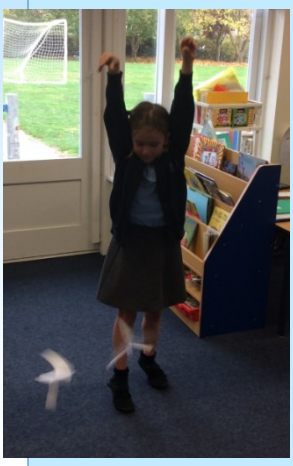
We have had an amazing turn out for the Cross Country training in Key Stage 2. The children have shown motivation and courage as we have put them through their paces. Good luck to all our runners this week. 45 children in total are representing our school.

**On Wednesday 11th November at 11:00am, our school came together to take part in a 2-minute moment of silence to honour those affected by war. You may remember (from our last edition of Elsworth Extra) we took part in our Poppy Parade two weeks ago. Our beautiful poppies will be positioned around the war memorial for another couple of weeks should you wish to take a walk that way to see them.**



# Science Learning in Emerald Class

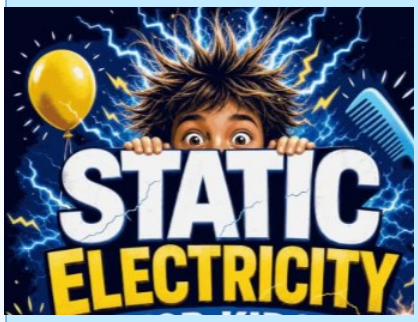
This half term, the children in Emerald class are learning about Isaac Newton (in Science) and Cambridge University (in History). Last week, the children learnt who Isaac Newton was, when he lived and about the famous falling apple story. They then shared their knowledge of gravity and we conducted an investigation involving paper helicopters. The children dropped helicopters with different numbers of paper clips to see which fell to the ground first. They all concluded that the helicopters that weighed more (had more paper clips) landed on the ground first. It was wonderful to see their team work as well as their scientific working skills, particularly around how to make sure that it was fair and one paper helicopter wasn't "cheating".



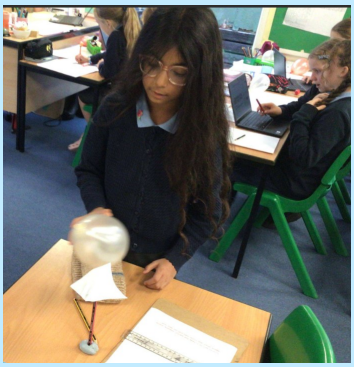





## Science in Diamond class




Diamond class had a fantastic afternoon investigating static electricity! The children researched and answered a range of questions about electricity, then worked in lab pairs to investigate four different static electricity scenarios. They had lots of fun charging up balloons on synthetic material (and themselves!!) to pick up salt and pepper, small pieces of paper and to turn a paper umbrella. They also discovered that when two objects are similarly charged, they repelled each other.









# Art inspired by JMW Turner - Diamond class

As part of their Railway topic, children in Diamond Class have been studying the work of JMW Turner - an English painter, who is regarded as one of the greatest British painters of the 19th century! Did you know he features on a £20 note?

Having studied many pieces of his artwork, children began to explore how to create paintings using the same style as he did. We practised using different types of water colour techniques for different effects. As part of our work, we also learnt how to create distance using perspective. Our outcome piece of work was putting everything together and I think you will agree that the children have created some masterpieces! Well done Diamond!












# Panathlon event

On Friday 6th November, some of our Year 6 children took part in the South Cambs School Sports Partnership Panathlon Multiskills event. This was held at Swavesey Village College (in their new sports hall). There were a variety of fun activities set out for the children to rotate around.

Our team had lots of fun and they put so much energy and excitement into the activities they competed in! They worked well as a team supporting and encouraging one another.

The children were thrilled when they were announced as 3rd place winners – taking the bronze medal! We are very proud of them. Well done to all of the children who took part.








## Children in Need Fundraiser



You may remember, in our last edition of Elsworth Extra, we featured one of our Year 5 pupils, who was keen to raise money for BBC Children in Need. Crochet bows and additional products were on sale for two days and it was lovely to see lots of children and members of staff looking very smart, around school, wearing their new fashion accessories!

Well done to Amelia for coming up with the idea and producing so many crochet bows. Well done also to the children, who made and contributed other products to be sold. Business was good and the total amount raised was over £50.00.





# Junior Travel Ambassadors

## Be Bright Be Seen day



On Friday 13th November, our school was awash with bright colours. It was so bright some members of staff needed sunglasses!

Our Junior Travel Ambassadors (JTA) organised the day and invited all children to wear bright clothes to school and dress up their teddy in a bright homemade outfit. The outfit had to be made from recycled fabric or materials. The teddies were extremely well dressed.

The purpose of the day was to remind children, staff, parents and carers to wear bright clothes in the evenings and early in the morning now it is getting dark.

**Remember – Be Bright, Be Seen when you are walking or cycling around your local village.**














# Diary Dates

| Day and time | Event |
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| **Tuesday 24th November** | **FOREST SCHOOL - Diamond class**<br>**Children will need to bring wellies and Forest School clothes** |
| **Wednesday 25th November** | **KS2 Small Schools Cross Country Championships - Milton Country Park** |
| Friday 27th November | Decoration morning - parents are welcome to join us for the morning to help with your child/ren's DT Christmas project. There will also be an Online Safety presentation. |
| **Tuesday 1st December** | **FOREST SCHOOL - Emerald class**<br>**Children will need to bring wellies and Forest School clothes** |
| Saturday 5th December | PTA Wreath Making |
| Sunday 6th December | 9.30am Breakfast Church |
| **Tuesday 8th December** | **FOREST SCHOOL - Ruby class**<br>**Children will need to bring wellies and Forest School clothes** |
| Wednesday 9th December | 9.30am Sapphire and Emerald class Nativity performance |
| Thursday 10th December | 1.30pm Sapphire and Emerald class Nativity performance |
| **Friday 11th December** | **Santa Dash - Children are invited to bring in their Santa hat or Festive Head Gear**<br>PTA Christmas Fayre - Elsworth Sports Pavilion |
| **Tuesday 15th December** | **9.30am Christingle Service at Holy Trinity Church**<br>**Christmas lunch** |
| **Wednesday 16th December** | **RE Enrichment Day** |
| Thursday 17th December | Whole school trip to the Pantomime at The Arts Theatre |
| **Friday 18th December** | **Last day of term** |
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| **Monday 4th January 2027** | **INSET DAY** |
| **Tuesday 5th January 2027** | **Children return to school** |
| **Wednesday 13th January** | **Year 4 Parent and carers meeting about the Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check** |
| **Thursday 21st January** | **Year 6 English Challenge - more information to follow** |
| **Tuesday 2nd February** | **Year 5/6 trip to Young Voices** |
| **Tuesday 9th February** | **Quick Sticks Hockey competition pm - more information to follow** |
| **Thursday 11th February** | **Life Education Bus - more information to follow** |
| **Friday 12th February** | **Life Education Bus - more information to follow** |

## Our School Prayer

Heavenly Father,

Thank you for this wonderful world: for the animals, plants, seasons and the food we have each day. Thank you for the life we have been given. Thank you for our homes, our friends and our families. Thank you for our school, our classrooms, our teachers and all the learning we do here.

Let our school be full of peace, happiness, kindness and laughter. Let everyone be full of love and joy. When people are hurting, help us to care for them. May our school make all feel that they are welcome and safe here.

Sorry for when we are careless with our words and actions and for when we are not kind or respectful. Help us learn from our mistakes and to forgive one another.

Help us to be kind to our friends and respect them. Help us to care for our wider community. Help us to make this world a better place through our love and care for it.

Amen