

# Ewell Grove Newsletter



This week the children have been sharing more of their super designs for the KS2 group room mural. It has been brilliant to have everyone's involvement in this exciting project! Today our whole school assembly was based on the story 'I Love Books' written by Mariajo Ilustrajo. In this story a little girl who does not enjoy reading visits the library with her sister. She is then drawn into a world of adventure and this helped her to discover the power of her imagination. Every class at Ewell Grove has a classroom library area to encourage the love of reading and during the Spring term the children will be visiting Bourne Hall Library as one of our local visits.



I would like to inform you of some recent staff changes. We are pleased to announce that Miss Childs, our Year 1 Hedgehog Class Teacher, has taken on the role of EYFS and Key Stage 1 lead while Mrs Jenkins is on maternity leave. Please also see below a reminder of our Progress and Achievement Leads as well as our Designated Safeguarding Leads who work across the whole school.



Miss Rising  
Headteacher  
DSL

Mrs  
Gardiner  
Deputy  
Headteacher  
DSL

Miss Moore  
Inclusion  
Lead  
DSL

Mr Boshier  
KS2 Lead  
DSL

Miss Barnett  
English  
Lead  
DSL

Miss Childs  
EYFS/KS1  
Lead

Miss  
Ahmed  
Home  
School Link  
Worker

**Miss Paula Rising**

## Parents Evening Meetings

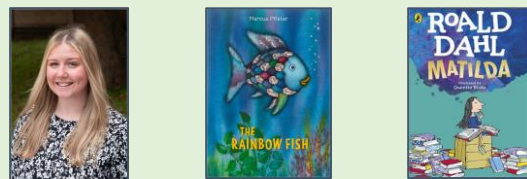
**Reminder:** Parent Evening meetings will take place on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February.**

The booking system will open at **7:00pm** on **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> January** and will close at **midnight** on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February.**

It is important to note that we are now using Tucasi / ScoPay for parents evening meetings. If you have not yet logged into ScoPay, please contact the School Office who will be able to help you. Only one parent, per family, is able to log in and book an appointment.

## A Love of Reading

This week Miss Belstead has recommended two stories you may like to share at home.



One of my favourite books when I was younger was the 'Rainbow Fish' by Marcus Pfister. This is a picture book about a beautiful fish, with shiny colourful scales, who learns the value of kindness and sharing. At the start of the book, he feels lonely, but after learning to share his shiny scales he discovers that true happiness comes from friendship and generosity rather than beauty or pride.

As I grew up, one of my favourite authors was Roald Dahl. My favourite book was Matilda. This story is about a young girl who was not loved by her parents, or liked by her mean Headteacher Miss Trunchbull, but with her love of reading, courage, intelligence and a touch of magic she stands up for herself and classmates discovering justice and the power of kindness.



[Parents Information Booklet](#)



[Calendar of Events](#)



## Subject of the Week - History

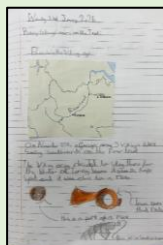
Year 1 have been learning about stories from a distant past. This week they learnt about the story of Owain Glyndŵr. They created their own coat of arms and used animals to represent what they thought was most important when looking for support.



Year 3 have linked History to their art this week. They have created prehistoric cave art whilst laying under the class desk to mimic how it would have been painting the cave walls at different angles. They have also created a historical source representing them out of clay.



Year 5 have started learning about Vikings and the story of 'The Lady of the Mercians.' They also enjoyed learning about Torksey and what a spindle was.



## Recruitment Opportunity

Teaching Assistant – if you are interested in becoming a Teaching Assistant at Ewell Grove, please read the Job Description prior to completing the online Application Form.

The Job Description and online Application Form can be found on the [eteach](https://www.eteach.co.uk) website.

## Smart Watches

Reminder – please ensure that your child does not wear a smart watch to school.

## Communicating with Teachers and SLT

Small problems can become much larger in the minds of children if left and not dealt with. Please support us, by reminding your child that they must talk to a member of staff if something makes them unhappy during the school day.

Talk to your child's Class Teacher as soon as possible. If this does not resolve the issue then please make an appointment to see the Phase Leader.

Following these two steps being taken you may contact the School Office to make an appointment to meet with a member of the Strategic Leadership Team (SLT).

## Pupil Premium

Pupil Premium funding is a valuable resource for schools aimed at enhancing educational opportunities for disadvantaged students.

If you think you may qualify, please follow the [link](#) provided for details on the application process and to learn more about the potential benefits for your child's education.

## Year Group Meetings

Online and in the School Hall starting at 9:00am

Nursery	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February
Reception	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> February
Year 1	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> February
Year 2	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February
Year 3	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March
Year 5	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March
Year 6	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February



# ASK THE HSLW



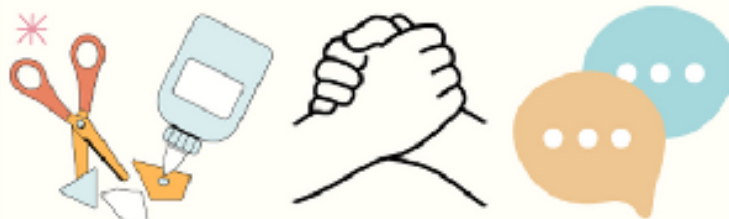
Ask the HSLW, a space where we'll answer common parenting questions and share practical, evidence-based tips to support families with everyday challenges.

## My child is a Young Carer. What can I do?

A young carer is a person under the age of 18 who helps to look after someone at home. This may be a parent, grandparent or a sibling, including a brother or sister with SEND. Children who care for siblings can sometimes be overlooked, but their role is just as important.

### Register

Registering a child as a young carer with the GP is optional, but may help professionals better understand and support your child's needs. They can help with all sorts of things like offering you appointments to suit your timetable and free flu jabs.



BE READY FOR...

## YOUNG CARERS CLUB

### Action for Carers

They offer practical advice, emotional support and activities/clubs specifically for young carers under 18.

<https://www.actionforcarers.org.uk>

First Thursday of Every Month  
9:00 - 9:30AM

### SIBs

A UK charity supporting siblings of disabled children. They provide information, advice and resources to help siblings understand their experiences, manage feelings and feel less alone.

<https://www.sibs.org.uk/>

- Supportive group sessions with other Young Carers
- Opportunities to talk in a safe place
- wellbeing activities, games and creative tasks
- Support with managing worries and feelings

Sign up via Young Carer Champions: Miss Ahmed & Miss Grover



### Carer's Assessment

Families may also wish to request a Carer's Assessment. This is a way to tell the council about the care a child provides, to help ensure the right support is in place for both the child and their family. For further information, contact Children's Services via C-SPA.

### At Ewell Grove

In line with the Lumen Learning Trust Young Carers Policy, our school is committed to identifying and supporting young carers so they feel safe, listened to and supported.


Children already known to the school as young carers will be automatically invited to the Young Carers Group.

If you feel your child may be a young carer and is not yet known to us, please contact the school office.

For your information:

**BARNADO'S** Changing childhoods. Changing lives. Surrey Paediatrics Parenting Service

## Surrey Paediatrics Parenting Service



The Paediatrics Parenting Support Service has been commissioned by Surrey Heartlands Trust to offer support to parent/carers and their families living in Surrey whose children aged 5 and under who may be neurodivergent, exhibiting challenging or avoidant behaviours, or are seeking help to improve their child's social and emotional skills.

Empowering parents/carers with the support and tools they need to allow their children to thrive.

# SING IN OUR CHOIR

*We are waiting for you!*

This new project will start as soon as we have sufficient numbers at St Mary's Ewell on Fridays from 6pm to 7pm during term time.

Go to [www.stmarysewell.com](http://www.stmarysewell.com) to find out more details, Get ready to have fun, and pocket money for singing! Download the application form at the link below <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1H5LLFDvEOKRf5rC3652TfBSqr5gg8mqH83Puk-p5E/edit>

OR SCAN ME!



**ST MARY'S EWELL IS STARTING A CHILDREN'S CHOIR AGES 7 TO 15 WELCOME**

No musical knowledge or previous experience needed, just a desire to learn, sing and have fun!

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## Surrey Paediatrics Parenting Service

**Is your child experiencing:**

- Big emotions
- Sleep difficulties
- Sensory difficulties
- Speech & Language difficulties

**We can offer you support! Contact our team today!**

You can find out more information and how to refer into the service at [www.Barnardos.org.uk](http://www.Barnardos.org.uk) or scanning the below QR Code:



**SURREY HEARTLANDS** Health and Care Partnership **SURREY** COUNCIL

Bianca Downey: 07354200290 Jo Hernandez: 07394 865 632  
Fleur Howlett: 07856 479486

TUESDAY 10 FEBRUARY, 7PM - 8PM [eduthing.co.uk](http://eduthing.co.uk)

## CLICKING WITH CONFIDENCE: HELPING CHILDREN STAY SAFE ONLINE

FREE Parent & Carer Online Safety Webinar

**eduthing** in conversation with **SCREENSAFE**  
IT Services for Education

We are excited to again be celebrating the upcoming Safer Internet Day by hosting a virtual parent & carer support session with Anna Sarjantson, ScreenSafe and experts from the eduthing Professional Learning team, and you're invited!

Join us in conversation as we explore the best ways to support our children and young people navigating the online world covering topics such as:

- Artificial Intelligence - What to know and how to support your children and young people
- Resources to facilitate discussion with children and young people on online safety
- Top Tips and Tricks for Parents & Carers
- Particular Apps or Features to be aware of
- Interactive Q&A Session

**ABOUT SCREENSAFE**

I started Screen-Safe to help more parents, carers, teachers and anyone working with children, have access to support, the information they need now and the tools they need for the future when it comes to keeping our children and young people safer online. As a parent myself, I know just how challenging and sometimes, overwhelming it can be to navigate the digital world our children are growing up in. The online world can provide incredible opportunities but also some serious risks, especially where children are concerned.

We want them to be able to recognise the risks, be able to call out fake profiles or misinformation and have the confidence to say NO and get away from anything or anyone online that doesn't feel right or safe to them.


**ABOUT EDUTHING**

eduthing are a leading technology provider to schools across the UK. As well as providing technical support to ensure teaching and learning runs smoothly, eduthing work with teachers, parents, carers and students with Computing, EdTech and Online Safety support and workshops.

We are passionate about ensuring the safety of children and young people when they experience the online world and immerse themselves in a safe and measured way.

**SESSION REGISTRATION**

Click here to register for the upcoming session: <https://eduthi.ng/SIDW-2026> Please note that this is a live session.



**KOOSA KIDS** FUN, ACTIVE HOLIDAY CLUBS FOR CHILDREN AGED 4-13 **BOOK NOW!**

## UNDER THE SEA!

February 16th to 20th

**KOOSA SCIENCE** **GO KARTS!** **ART + CRAFT** **8 DISCOVERY ACTIVITIES**

**FIN-TASTIC FRIDAY!** **ACTIVE GAMES**

**Friday 20th February under the sea fancy dress!** Dress up is always optional!

**YOUR LOCAL KOOSA KIDS HOLIDAY CLUB CAN BE FOUND AT:**  
**WALLACE FIELDS INFANT SCHOOL, EPSOM**  
See page 2 for venue dates

**OVER 350 ACTIVITIES!** Including... Go Karts, Drama, Rounders, Science, Golf, Uni Roc, Cricket, Crossbow Challenge, Arts & Crafts, Football, Relays, Parachute Games, Water Play, Space Hoppers, Lego, Obstacle Challenge, Paint Party, Nature Run. Plus hundreds more!

**From just £30.00 \* Per day! \***

**UNLIMITED FUN!**

VISIT [WWW.KOOSAKIDS.CO.UK](http://WWW.KOOSAKIDS.CO.UK) OR CALL 01276 21884

## Friends of Ewell Grove Events

### February

Thursday: 5 <sup>th</sup> February	School Disco Day (Reception – Year 5) ➤ A letter with full details was emailed to all parents yesterday with ticket sales now open. ➤ If your child is entitled to Pupil Premium, please email the school office confirming your consent for your child to attend.
Friday: 6 <sup>th</sup> February – 7:30pm	FOEG Book Club: 'The Safekeep' by Yael van der Wouden
Monday: week commencing 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Nearly New Uniform – online link live
Monday: week commencing 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Nearly New Uniform – order sorting
	Book donations (ages 3 – 12 years)
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> and Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	The Little Recyclers Collection (fundraiser)

### March

Monday: 2 <sup>nd</sup> March – 3:15pm	Nearly New Uniform – playground sale
Monday: 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Book donations: sort day
Thursday: 5 <sup>th</sup> March – all day	FOEG Free Book Swap (World Book Day)
Friday: 20 <sup>th</sup> March	FOEG Paint & Sip evening (fundraiser)
	➤ Letter and tickets available – 4 <sup>th</sup> March

### April

Friday: 24 <sup>th</sup> April	FOEG Quiz Night (fundraiser) ➤ Information letter to be emailed - 12 <sup>th</sup> March ➤ Tickets live – Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> March at 7:00pm
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## Let's get this new term **STARTED!**



**WHAT A WAY TO KICK START 2026!** I'm still in awe of what the school community managed to raise last term..... **£12,500??** - **what a result!** Thank you so much to every single person who supported our endeavours - **look at what we can accomplish as a team!** Now let's get going with the Spring term...



### Next Meeting

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March  
9am

Orchard Room  
All parents & carers  
welcome!

*A term of success and fun! Above left: Christmas Wreath Workshop, Right: The completed patio*

## CAN YOU HELP?

*The Friends of Ewell Grove committee are hard at work planning the Spring and Summer term events, and we'd appreciate extra help with:*

- **Sourcing raffle prizes**
- **Sourcing chocolate eggs**
- **Finding business sponsorships**
- **Match funding for events**



*If you would be happy to lend us a hand, please email [foeg.ewellgrove@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk](mailto:foeg.ewellgrove@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk)*



## Time for a New Year clear out?



If you are having a post-festive clearout, there are events coming up where your unwanted **clothes, books, toys and games** can help the school and our families (letters with full details will be sent nearer the time):

- **The Little Recyclers - Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> and Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February**

Give us your unwanted clothes, shoes and bags to raise money for the School!

- **FOEG free Book Swap - Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March**

Donate books suitable for ages 4-12 years old from Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> - Fri 27<sup>th</sup> February

- **Summer Fair - Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June**

Donate your soft toys/teddies and games/toys for stalls at the Summer Fair!



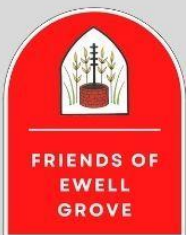
## Coming up...



**School Disco Day (Reception - Yr 5) Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February** - tickets are available via [www.pta-events.co.uk/foeg](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/foeg) (see letter for full details).

**FOEG Book Club - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February** Come and join the group as they discuss 'The Safekeep' by Yael van der Wouden - BYO drinks and nibbles!

**Paint & Sip evening - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March** 'Easily Does It' is back to host this brilliant fundraiser! Tickets go on sale at [www.pta-events.co.uk/foeg](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/foeg) **Weds 4<sup>th</sup> Feb** - there's limited availability - don't miss out! (Zero artistic talent required!)



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*Building Community,*  
ENRICHING EDUCATION,  
& *Raising Funds*

for  
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Primary & Nursery School