

World Book Day 2026

Thank you to the FOEG for organising the World Book Day Book Giveaway.
The children had a wonderful day!





Ewell Grove Newsletter

A message from Jo Roberts, Chair of Directors

Dear Parents,

We are writing to announce that Mrs. Mary Ellen McCarthy, Executive Principal and Founder of the Lumen Learning Trust, will be retiring, effective December 31st 2026, after 40 years of public service.

Mrs. McCarthy has served our Lumen school communities with distinction since she founded the Trust in 2013. We thank her for the dedication and leadership that has guided and strengthened our schools and her commitment to inclusive education and academic excellence.

While we will miss Mrs. McCarthy's exceptional leadership, we are thrilled for her as she embarks on a well-deserved retirement.

The Board of Directors has already begun the recruitment process for a new Executive Principal to ensure a seamless transition and continuity of leadership. News on the successful outcome of the process will be shared with families by your school leaders towards the end of the current academic year.

Jo Roberts, Chair of Directors

This week the children and staff had lots of fun celebrating World Book Day! On Thursday, Miss Barnett shared a wonderful assembly inspiring the children to become brilliant authors! Each class has been given the task to create their own story, which will then be shared with the rest of Ewell Grove!

During our whole school assembly on Friday Mr Boshier shared the questions 'What does being in control of your emotions mean?' and 'What can it feel like when you are not in control of your emotions?'. Emotional regulation means being able to understand and respond to your feelings in safe, healthy ways. The children shared the following reflections. Emotional regulation could be pausing and taking some deep breaths, taking a movement break and doing some gentle stretches. You may like to share and discuss emotional regulation techniques that work for you at home.

Have a lovely weekend and let's hope we have some more of that beautiful sunshine!

Miss Paula Rising



Useful Online Website Links



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A Love of Reading

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



'The Proudest Blue' by Ibtihaj Muhammad is a beautiful and empowering story about a young girl watching her older sister wear her hijab for the first time. As a hijabi myself, I really value how this book celebrates identity, confidence, and being proud of who you are. It's a lovely way to introduce children to the importance of kindness, respect, and embracing differences.

'Hey Warrior' by Karen Young is a fantastic book that helps children understand what anxiety is and how it can affect their bodies and minds. It explains big feelings in a simple, child-friendly way, helping children feel reassured and empowered rather than overwhelmed. I love how it gives children the language to talk about their emotions and reminds them that they are stronger than they think.

Subject of the Week – Music

Each year group has been enjoying singing sessions in class with the whole school coming together weekly to sing a Motown Medley.

Year 1 have been using both tuned (glockenspiels) and untuned instruments (triangle, tambourine, drum, wood block, guiro) - finding the pulse, long and short notes, and accompanying different songs.

Year 2 have started learning the recorder. They have learnt the notes B, A and G. Using their knowledge of the recorder and Glockenspiel, they have played pieces of music in two parts.

Year 3 have also been using Glockenspiels and are exploring the use of sharps in their playing.

Year 6 have also enjoyed exploring the use of the ukuleles.



Reading Buddies

This week, Year 6 have started their new role as Reading Buddies. Sharing stories with the children in KS1 encourages the love of reading across the school. The books were enjoyed by all!



Friends of Ewell Grove



We would like to say a massive thank you to FOEG and all of the parent volunteers who moved the 4 heavy bench planters from the school carpark to the patio at the back of the KS2 building.

We were in awe of the huge response for help and appreciate all those who turned up this morning. We are looking forward to growing various colourful plants over the next few weeks ahead of Summer!

Smart School Council

We would like to introduce you to our Year 5 and 6 Smart School Council representatives.

This year, we have new teams within our council. These are the:

- **Communication Team:** deliver the meetings in the classrooms to provide the Ideas Team with their discussion points.
- **Ideas Team:** use the data from the Communication Team meetings to come up with a list of suggestions for the action team to work on.
- **Action Team:** these children implement the suggestions through creating posters, writing letters or gathering further views from the Ewell Grove community.

We would also like to say 'Thank You and Well Done' to all the children who applied. The response received was overwhelming and all were at a very high standard.



Children and Phone Safety – NSPCC

The NSPCC's guidance on children, mobile phones and online safety is a useful resource for parents to draw on. It addresses one of the most common questions asked: when is a child ready for a phone and how can families manage the risks?

The guide offers balanced, practical advice on readiness, boundary-setting, parental controls, and ongoing conversations about safe and responsible use.

We hope that you find this information useful to reduce any anxiety surrounding this topic and help support a shared approach to online safety.

[NSPCC - Guidance for Online Safety](#)

September 2026 Nursery Spaces Available

15 Hour & 30 Hour Sessions

Ewell Grove Nursery offers a wealth of opportunities for children aged 3 to 4 years, learning as they play whilst following the EYFS framework in an engaging, creative, friendly and encouraging environment.

The Ewell Grove Nursery is a thriving part of the mainstream school.

For more information please either call the School Office on 020 8393 4393 or email office.ewellgrove@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk

Friends of Ewell Grove Events

March

Friday: 20 th March	FOEG Paint & Sip evening (fundraiser) ➤ Letter and tickets available – 4 th February
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Thursday 26 th March	FOEG Book Club ➤ 'Fundamentally' by Nussaibah Younis
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April

Friday: 24 th April	FOEG Quiz Night (fundraiser) ➤ Information letter to be emailed - 12 th March ➤ Tickets live – Sunday 15 th March at 7:00pm
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June

Saturday 27 th June	Ewell Grove Summer Fair - 11:00am – 3:00pm ➤ SEN Families 11:00am – 12:00pm ➤ 12:00pm – 3:00pm Open to all
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For your information:



Kids Club at Bourne Hall Museum
bringing the past alive!

A Viking in Ewell!
Saturday 11 April 1pm - 2.30pm


Clothing, Comfort and Colouring.

Join us in the year 883. Discover the secrets of how a Viking lived, what he wore and the skills he needed to survive.




£6.50 per ticket
Scan the QR code, visit our website bournehall.org or pay on the day


For more details, contact: Susan Dalloe
sdalloe@epsom-ewell.gov.uk
020 8394 1734
Bourne Hall, Spring Street, Ewell, KT17 1UF

Kids Club at Bourne Hall Museum
bringing the past alive!


Become a Roman!
Saturday 14 March 1pm - 2.30pm

Step back in time and experience life as a Roman! Get ready to immerse yourself in the world of ancient Rome as you explore what it was like to live as a Roman in Ewell. From the clothing they wore to the weapons they used, discover all the fascinating details that made up a Roman's daily life.



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K-POP DANCE CAMP

MOTION DANCE




Tue 7th April - Wed 8th April 2026
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
St Clement's Catholic Primary School
Ewell, Surrey

<https://motion-dance.classforkids.io/camps>

COME JOIN OUR EASTER EGG TRAIL

AGE CONCERN EPSOM & EWELL

at Rosebery Park
on Sat 28th March, 10am - 2pm

£4 per child

ADVANCE BOOKING:
<https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/eastereggtrailatroseberypark2026>

OR YOU CAN TURN UP ON THE DAY
SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY

FIND THE CLUES TO REVEAL YOUR PRIZE!
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EWELL CRICKET CLUB

Looking to develop your Cricket skills? Or want to try a great new sport this summer?
Join your local team this 2026 season, starting mid-April!

Mini Cricket
For Girls & Boys aged 4-8
Training starts 22/4
Two sessions available every Wednesday:
6.00pm - 6.45pm
6.45pm - 7.30pm
Enjoy building Cricket skills through a fun and interactive coaching programme.
Run in partnership with award-winning Mini Crickets.

Junior Cricket
For Girls & Boys aged 9-16
Training starts 30/4
Every Thursday 6.30pm - 8pm
Develop your Cricket skills through weekly qualified coach-led training sessions focusing on batting, bowling and fielding. Build your confidence and teamwork skills in a friendly, inclusive environment.
We have 8 Junior teams, creating the opportunity to play Junior League Cricket.

Please join us for our registration season start social event, on Thursday 9th April at 6pm at The Pavilion

For further information about Junior & Adult cricket please contact us:
The Pavilion, 27 Ruxley Lane, Ewell, KT19 0JB : info@ewellcricketclub.co.uk
: www.ewellcricketclub.co.uk : @ewellcricket

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME




EASTER ADVENTURE CAMPS

FROM 30 MARCH - 10 APRIL
THOMSON HOUSE SCHOOL
BELL FARM SCHOOL
COBHAM RUGBY CLUB

BOOK NOW . BOOK NOW . BOOK NOW !

ZOO LAB IS COMING
THOMSON HOUSE ON 1 APRIL
BELL FARM ON 2 APRIL

NERF WARS & LASER TAG
WHO IS GOING TO BE THE SHARPEST SHOOTER?

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