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This week at Ellowes Hall

THEME OF NEXT WEEK: The Importance of Easter.
HERO & SONG OF NEXT WEEK: Dorothy Round Little & My Saviour by Carrie Underwood and CeCe Winans. **CAREER OF THE WEEK:** Chaplain.



Headteacher's Introduction

As we begin to enjoy the warmer weather and brighter, sunnier days, it has been wonderful to see our sports teams representing the school so successfully in local fixtures. Their commitment and teamwork are making us all proud, and we look forward to even more successes as we move into the summer term.

The improved weather has also allowed us to make full use of our climbing facilities once again. It has been fantastic to see staff refreshing their training and then supporting students as they develop confidence and resilience through climbing.

On Wednesday, all Year 9 students took part in a series of revision workshops led by our core subject staff. These sessions focused on a range of effective revision techniques to support students as they prepare for their Year 9 examinations, which begin next week. We wish them all the very best as they approach this important milestone.

We were also delighted to offer another enriching cultural opportunity this week, with students visiting the Hippodrome Theatre in Birmingham to watch *The Red Shoes*, choreographed by the internationally acclaimed Matthew Bourne. Experiences such as these play an important role in broadening our students' horizons and inspiring creativity.

It was a pleasure to welcome so many parents and carers to the Year 8 Parents' Evening on Thursday.

These events are a vital opportunity to strengthen the partnership between home and school, and it was encouraging to see such positive engagement with staff and genuine interest in students' progress. We greatly value the continued support of our families. Following the Easter break, we look forward to welcoming Year 9 parents and carers, as students begin to consider their option choices for the next stage of their education.

I would also like to extend my thanks to our Year 11 students and staff, who continue to show real dedication through their commitment to after-school intervention sessions. Their hard work and determination will undoubtedly make a significant difference as they strive to achieve and exceed their target grades. Thank you also to parents and carers for your ongoing support in ensuring students attend these valuable sessions.

Finally, a reminder that our Performing Arts Showcase will take place next week as part of our 60th anniversary celebrations. Tickets are available via ParentPay, and we look forward to what promises to be a fantastic evening highlighting the talents of our students.

School will finish at 12:00pm next Friday for a well-deserved break, although I know many students will continue revising and preparing for upcoming assessments.

I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable weekend and are able to make the most of the lovely weather.

5500
Positives
This
Week

Monday 23 March (Week B)

Y9 Exams, KS3 Oracy Week Begins

Tuesday 24 March (Week B)

Y9 Exams

Wednesday 25 March (Week B)

Y9 Exams, Y11 Mock Results Release

Thursday 26 March (Week B)

Y9 Exams, 60th Anniversary Concert

Friday 26 March (Week B)

Y9 Exams, End of Term 12pm Finish



Year 7: Brooke H. **Year 8:** Amy-Jo H.

Year 9: Abigail A, Jacob J, Emerson S. **Year 10:** Alfie C, Ayla R. **Year 11:** Aden W.

If your child is a Student of the Week but we have not included their picture, it means we do not have the necessary consent from you. Please contact us if you would like us to be able to use your child's picture!

Tutor Groups with the Best Attendance

YEAR 7	7DH – Mr Hamilton	96.11%
YEAR 8	8DBA – Mr Barker	97.22%
YEAR 9	9FS – Miss F Scott	98.51%
YEAR 10	10EP – Miss Perry	100%
YEAR 11	11RM – Mrs Ming	97.33%

ABSENT PLEASE RING 01384 686600 Option 1



Another belt in Karate for Lexi W (above) in Year 7. Lexi has taken on Shotokan Karate to improve her confidence and self-esteem and has now past yet another grading.



Although Y9 did not visit the care home this week we still managed to brighten someone's birthday with a few gifts from our students.

Football Results: Last Week Year 7 beat The Link 5-0 and Year 10 beat The Link 3-0. This Week: Year 9 beat The Link 3-1.





Yeah 9 boys played Link Academy this week at football. A superb display saw the boys winning a comfortable 2-0. Excellent teamwork and management drive goes to show that when people work together nothing can stop them.



**The Y8 girls played extremely well against Beacon hill winning 12-0. They showed real promise to continued development as a team. Player of the match - Hope CB
Miss Parker and Mrs Watson player of the match
Sophie Smallman**



Year 9 girls attended the T1 rugby training at DK again. The coaching was engaging and gave the girls a taste of T1 rugby and hopefully they will all get to play again.



"Some of our Year 9 Sports Leaders represented the school exceptionally well on Thursday at this year's Primary School SEND Superhero event at David Lloyd. They oversaw multiple activities supporting students' engagement in physical activity."



Who: Years 7, 8 & 9

When: Every Tuesday after school

(Begins on Tuesday 14th April – After Easter)

Where: Behind the sports Hall



- In this time you will learn how to use the ropes, belay and climb.
- **Spaces are limited.**
- Collect and return your consent form to Mrs Harris.

Jujutsu Self-Defence Club

With 6th Dan instructor Shihan Robert Tiene, with over 40 years of experience and part of Taijutsu Kai Schools of Jujutsu.

**LIMITED
SPACES
BOOK NOW!**

**Come and join us on:
(1st class is free)**

When: Every Monday @ 3.30pm

Where: Sports Hall

For who: All Year groups

Cost: £7 per session

Speak to Mrs Harris for more info.

An opportunity not to be missed!

JUJUTSU

**Come and join Art Club
with Mrs Harris**

Who: All year groups

When: Tuesday Lunchtimes

Where: D5

**ART
CLUB**

AND EARN
FREE
BOOKS
FOR OUR
SCHOOL

Find your **NEXT**
FAVOURITE READ
at the **BOOK FAIR**



Enrichment Activities – Spring Term 2026 (Feb - Apr)

*Free books are subject to terms and conditions.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School	Breakfast in the Diner 8.00 – 8.40am				
		Equality Ambassadors in E3 from 08:20 (BH)			
11:15		Break Time Thrive Grace Foundation (ES)	Break Time Drop in Grace Foundation (ES)	Break Time Drop in Grace Foundation (ES)	
Lunch Time Clubs & Activities	The Library open to all every lunch time				
	Y7 Football in PE (Astros) & Year 11 in Sports Hall	Y11 Football in PE (Astros) & Year 10 in Sports Hall	Y10 Football in PE (Astros) & Year 9 in Sports Hall	Y8 Football in PE (Astros) & Year 7 in Sports Hall	Y9 Football in PE (Astros) & Year 8 in Sports Hall
	Choir in X1 (WJ)	Drama Scriptwriting Club in X4 (EH)	Drama Games Club in X4 (EH)	Beginners Guitar in X1 (WJ)	KS4 Dance Drop-in in X3 (RG) PE Kit Needed
	DT Club in D3 (DBA) & Textiles Club in D7 (TJO)	Christian Union / Drop in Grace Foundation (ES)	Drop in Grace Foundation (ES)	Equality Ambassadors & Space in E3 (BH)	Y7/8 Dance Club in X3/X4 (EH/RG) PE Kit Needed
	Boost in Ethos Room 1 (Invitation from VR)	Digital Ambassadors in V3 (OM) KS3 programming club in V3 (DJ)	Keyboard Club in X1 (WJ)	Nurture in SEND (MS/SW)	Orchestra in X1
	Connect - invite only (VR/MS) In Safeguarding Office	Working Tuesdays (Careers and Health Ambassadors) in V6 (ATP/SR)		Drama Performance Club in X4 (EH)	
	KS4 Drama Rehearsal in X4 (EH)	Art Club in D5 (HHA)		Y7 Drop in Grace Foundation (ES)	
	Media Ambassadors in E8 (KRI)	Chess in S2 (DH) Psychology Club in E8 (Week B) SRI		The Lunch Bunch in Ethos 2 (MST & VR)	
	Science Sparx HWK Club in V7 (DH)	Producers Club (WJ)			
	After School Clubs Activities		Bright Sparx in V2 (PJ)	Lego Club 15:15 – 16:15 – Grace Foundation Rooms (VR)	Dodgeball (Y7 – 10) in Sports Hall (LK)
		Baking Club 15.15 – 16:15 D6 for KS3 See Miss Harris due to numbers	Volleyball in Sports Hall (WJ)	Eco Ambassadors 15:15 – 16:15 in D4 (JMI)	Y11 Dance Rehearsals in X3 (RG) PE Kit Needed
		Netball Y7 – 11 15:15 – 16:15 (JOP)	Basketball (Y7 – 10) 15:15 – 16:15 in Sports Hall	Badminton Y7 – 11 15:15 – 16:15 (LM)	
		Barcelona Training on Astros (RG)	Y7, 8 (X4) & 9 (X3) Dance Club (RG/EH)	Girls Football 7 – 11 15:15 – 16:15 (JW)	
Rugby Y7 – 11 15:15 – 16:15 (JEV)		Musical Theatre Club in X4 (EH)		Parallel Club 15:15 – 15:45 in M10 (AR)	
Film Club 15:15 – 16:15 – Grace Foundation Rooms (ES)					



**PERFORMING
ARTS
SHOWCASE**

60th anniversary special

THU 26TH MARCH

ELLOWES THEATRE

JOIN US AS WE ENJOY
PERFORMANCES SPANNING THE
ARTS FROM THE LAST 60 YEARS

£3 on ParentPay

inc. light refreshments





“Last Wednesday, Year 9 students took part in a two-hour revision workshop, where they explored a range of effective study techniques. Some students also won Easter egg prizes that were up for grabs.”





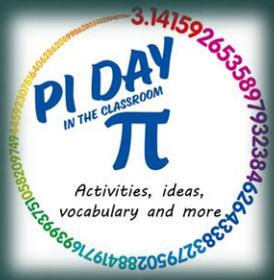
Over 40 students from different year groups travelled to Birmingham Hippodrome on Wednesday to watch the dance performance 'The Red Shoes'.





$$\pi = 3.14$$

Happy Pi Day



Pi Day is an annual celebration of the mathematical constant (3.14159...) held on March 14th (3/14). Founded in 1988 by Larry Shaw, the day promotes enthusiasm for math and science through activities like eating pie, reciting digits of and educational events. It also coincides with Albert Einstein's birthday. Our students celebrated this through a range of activities.



POETRY

**Our Poetry by Heart
Superstar
for March
is
ISSAC LAWRENCE
year 8**

POETRY

Death is Inevitable

Death is something inevitable
family will always find it.
Memorable!
Because on the day you die
they want to deny
but forget that it always comes by.

As your funeral arrives they
hide in sorrow.
But nothing changes until tomorrow.
But sooner or later
their pain has paused,
until it bites you back with claws.

A beautiful poignant poem by Isaac that really captures the essence of grief.

Remember! If you want to be a Poetry by Heart **superstar** bring your poem to **Miss Britten-Jeavons** in E2. It can be a **topic of your choosing**, or you can relate it to our tutor theme of the week.

DUDLEY! THIS IS YOUR NATIONAL YOUTH STRATEGY!

JOIN US TO EXPLORE THE NATIONAL YOUTH STRATEGY AND
WHAT IT MEANS IN YOUR LOCAL AREA.

OPEN TO ALL YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WANT TO LEARN MORE,
SHARE THEIR VIEWS, OR GET INVOLVED IN SHAPING THE
NATIONAL YOUTH STRATEGY IN THE WEST MIDLANDS.

30TH MARCH 2026
1PM – 3PM

DUDLEY COLLEGE
BROADWAY
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CRANSTOUN
Engineering People. Empowering Change.



SEEN AND HEARD

THE NATIONAL YOUTH
STRATEGY IN THE WEST
MIDLANDS



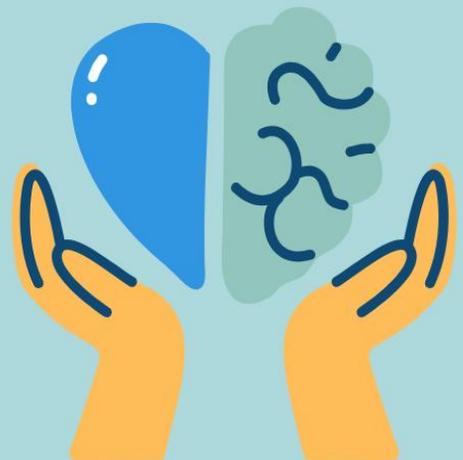
REFLEXIONS DROP-IN SESSION



Drop-in with Reflexions is open to all students who want support on any issues which are impacting on mental health in a confidential space.

Every Thursday

**Physical and Sensory Room
1:30 - 2:15**



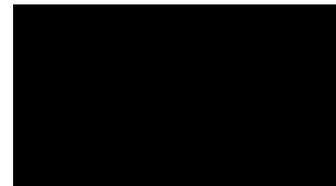
Sparx

Parent/Carer Guide

How to log into Sparx to complete homework from home

Weekly homework will be set on the following days and then due on the same day the following week.

- Monday: Sparx Science
- Wednesday: Sparx Maths
- Thursday: Sparx Reader

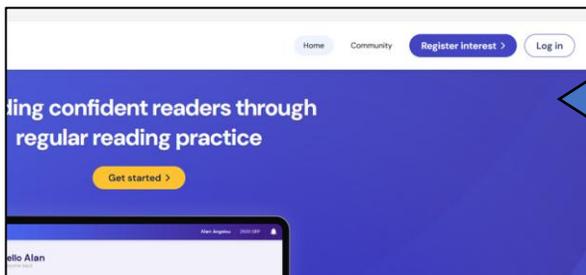
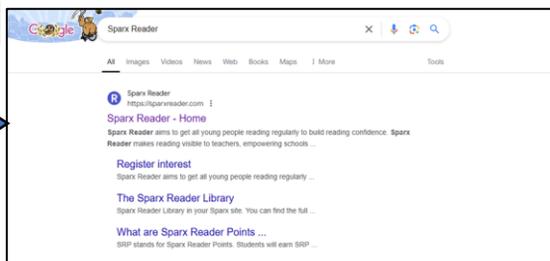


Students can log into Sparx through either [the link on their Arbor page](#) or through a search engine such as Google.



Subject	Homework set	Homework due in	Detention Night
Maths	Wednesday	Wednesday	Thursday
English	Thursday	Thursday	Friday
Science	Monday	Tuesday	Tuesday

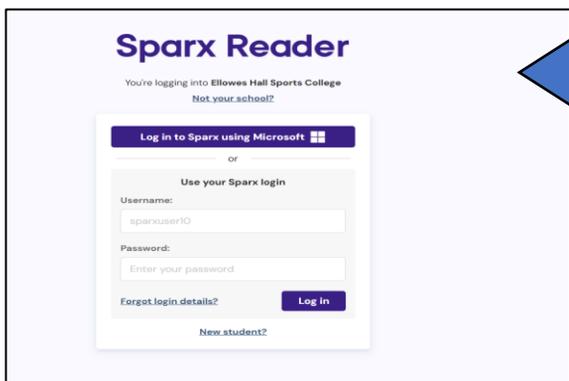
If accessing via Google, students will need to type Sparx Science/ Sparx Maths/ Sparx Reader into Google and select the first search result that appears.



Once they have clicked on either the link on Arbor or the search result on Google they need to click the white log in icon in the top right corner and then select student log in.



They will then be asked to select their school, which will appear as they start typing in Ellowes Hall Sports College



They can then click the purple box that says 'log in to Sparx using Microsoft' and then use their school email and password to log in. Their password is the same password that they use to log into any computer in school.

Any homework students have been set will appear. Students can continue to read on Sparx Reader even after their homework has been completed, and we would encourage them to, especially if they are really enjoying the book they have chosen.

Carousel Homework for Geography and History

- One quiz per week per subject.
- Set and due Thursdays. Monday night detentions.
- Link set by Miss McCormack and Miss Perry to your email. Click this and login with your Microsoft email.
- You have to revise before you can take the quiz (say the answer to each flashcard aloud and then click 'show answer' to test yourself. Self-mark and then move on).
- Take the quiz and self-mark your answers. Be honest as your teacher can see!

Y7 GEOGRAPHY WEEK 1

QUIZ BY MISS PERRY
CLASS: YEAR 7 GEOGRAPHY

REVISE

TAKE QUIZ

Your teacher has locked the quiz.
You must complete the flashcards before you can take this quiz.

Click REVISE to get started.



9 COMING UP!

Define 'political geography'

SHOW ANSWER

I GOT THIS...

WRONG

NEARLY
RIGHT

RIGHT

HOMEWORK

**ELLOWES HALL
KEY STAGE 3
LOVE TO LEARN
HOMEWORK BOOKLET**

This booklet contains a range of tasks from each of your non-core subjects. You will need to use this as part of your homework. Please show your teacher on completion of a task for rewards.

Check in weeks 2025-2026
Autumn term : w/c **8th December**
Spring term: w/c **16th March**
Summer term: w/c **22nd June**

PE LOVE TO LEARN CHECK LIST	
1. Complete a 30-minute walk	
2. Successfully complete 10 minutes of	
3. Complete a 10-minute walk	
4. Attend a PE Club for one half-term	
5. Attendance at a local fitness club	
6. Attend a PE Day this academic year	
7. Attend a PE Day in a special of your choice	
8. Visit any sports facilities in the city	
HOME CHALLENGE: Write a poem about your favourite sport	

Drama LOVE TO LEARN CHALLENGES	
Create a Poster of the Physical Skills and their addresses	
Design a costume for a new action movie	
Attend a Drama Club for a half term	
Get involved in a Performing Arts Showcase (either writing or backstage)	
Write your own dialogue for a play	
Design a new set for your favourite TV show or film	
Home Challenge: Watch a musical on YouTube and get a photo of judge your own award certificate	

KS3 Students (Years 7-9) have also been issued with Love to Learn Homework tasks. These will be checked at 3 checkpoints throughout the year, with effort scores shared with home. Prizes will be awarded for excellent participation!



YOUTH SERVICE EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

AWESOME!

ENROLL YOUR CHILD TODAY

YES!

APRIL 2026

LET'S GO!

TUES 7TH - FORGE MILL FARM

WED 8TH - BRITISH CYCLE & HYDRO POOL

THURS 9TH - BLACK COUNTRY LIVING MUSEUM

FRI 10TH - PUNK CHEF

TIME 10AM - 2PM (SUBJECT TO CHANGES)

**D/DEAF, HOH,
DEAFBLIND, COCHLEAR USER**

AGE: 8 - 17 **FREE!**

HOT/COLD FOOD WILL BE PROVIDED.

YEAH!



**PLEASE REGISTER YOUR INTEREST, AS IT IS FIRST-COME
FIRST SERVED AND PLACES ARE LIMITED.**

**Book via QR code or copy & paste the link below.
Make new friends and have fun this Easter!**

<https://app.holidayactivities.com/parent/providers/sandwell-deaf-community-association>



Register Now



**Sandwell
Deaf Community
Association**

**New Deaf Centre,
Summer Lane,
West Bromwich, B71 4JA**

If you would like more information, please get in with:

**Craig Potheary
Wellbeing Coach**

**Email: craig_potheary@sdca.co.uk
Text / WhatsApp / FaceTime: 07791 921011**





Time2Breathe

Take time out in nature on a relaxing wellness walk in
2026

Every last Friday of the month at 1-2pm

January 30th - Fens Pools Nature Reserve

February 27th - Wrens Nest National Nature Reserve

March 27th – Bumble Hole Nature Reserve

April 24th - Saltwells National Nature Reserve

May 29th - Barrow Hill Nature Reserve

June 26th – Wrens Nest National Nature Reserve

July 31st – Leasowes Nature Reserve

August 28th – Cotwall End Nature Reserve

September 25th - Saltwells National Nature Reserve

October 30th - Leasowes Nature Reserve

November 27th - Barrow Hill Nature Reserve

December 18th - Saltwells National Nature Reserve

Details to be released each month.

Please call 07971 065712 for further information

