



THE ELMS EXPRESS



MARCH EDITION

Message from Mr Jacques

What a fantastic term here at The Elms. I would firstly like to praise our Year 5 children, who have been without Mrs Caddick-Adams this term due to her breaking her leg. They have continued to work extremely hard and welcomed Mrs Henman to Hawthorn Class. Mrs Caddick-Adam is feeling well, and her leg is healing.

Well done to our Year 6 children, who last week, took on their Mock SATs week. This practise week showed them what the week will entail in May. All Year 6 children worked extremely hard and supported each other showing true resilience.

An action-packed term saw World Book Day being celebrated, Year 4 produced a brilliant assembly, and our second Finance Friday took place to name a few.

I wish everyone a fantastic Easter and let's hope the sun keeps shining!



School Values

This term, our school value was community. I launched the value in assembly by

talking to the children about different communities they are a part of. We also discussed what behaviours are needed to be a good member of the community. Lottie and Ada have shown this value by creating their own litter picking club to make our community look tidier. They have also created their own certificate – litter picker of the week. Thank you, girls, for making sure our community stays tidy!

Science Fair comes to The Elms



The Science Fair Semi-Final were held here at The Elms Primary School. It was a fantastic event, bringing together young scientists from across the Cambrian Learning Trust schools. The children confidently presented their investigations to real scientists, showcasing their hard work and curiosity. Students from Faringdon Community College ran engaging science

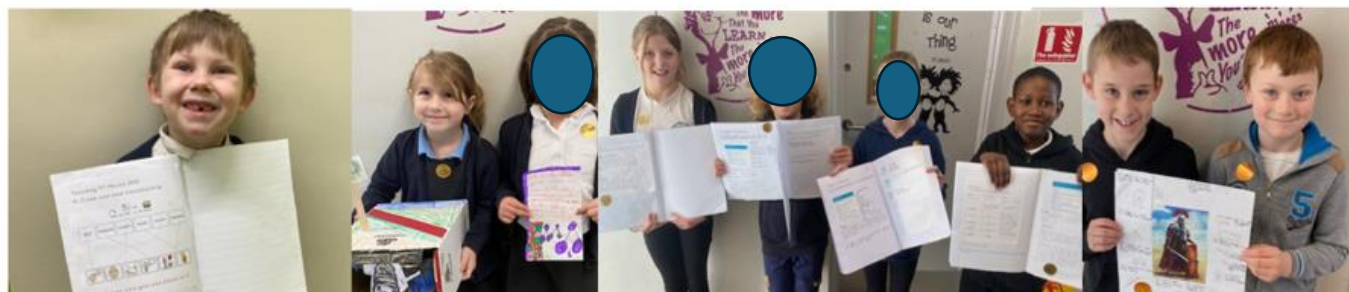
workshops, giving the children a taste of exciting experiments, while Science Oxford delivered thrilling demonstrations in the hall, sparking

even more enthusiasm for the subject. It was a brilliant morning filled with discovery, learning, and collaboration. A huge well done to all the children who took part! We wish the best of luck to those heading to the final on Wednesday 2nd – we can't wait to hear how you get on!



Elms Excellence

Archie was so proud of his writing. Violet and Josie worked incredibly hard to produce a brand new invention. Year 5 children investigated which substances dissolve quickest in water. Sully and Harry had identified the different weapons and armour that Roman soldiers wore. All the children articulated their learning brilliantly and were so proud to show me.



Key Dates

Day	Event	Time
Thursday 3 rd April	Year 3 trip to Avebury Stones	All day
Monday 21 st April	Easter Monday- <u>No School</u>	-
Tuesday 22 nd April	Back to School- Start of Term 5	8:40am
Monday 28 th April	Year 4 trip to the Ashmolean	All day
Tuesday 29 th April	Year 1 trip to Oxford Natural History Museum	11:15am-3:15pm
Tuesday 29 th April	Zoolab visiting Acorn/Blossom	1pm-3pm
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday- <u>No School</u>	-
Tuesday 6 th May	Year 3 Assembly	9:15am
Mon 12 th May - Thurs 15 th May	SATS Week – Year 6	
Thursday 22 nd May	Year 1 Assembly	9:15am
Friday 23 rd May	End of Term	Finish at 3:15pm

***Year 5 assembly, Parent and SEND meetings to be arranged. We will communicate dates and times when we are able to.**

Safeguarding

Last term, we were visited by our Local Community Support Service adviser, Anna Crockford. At times, families may need support from universal, targeted and specialist services. Early help can make the biggest difference. When needs are identified in a timely way, children and families can be supported before problems escalate. Working with a child and their family to address their needs early can reduce risk factors (needs) and increase protective factors (strengths).

Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mr Calum Jacques.

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mrs Shelley McIntosh.

OXFORDSHIRE WALKING WITH YOU FORUM

JOIN OUR SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY!

"Walking with You" is a welcoming, parent-led group for anyone caring for children and young people (up to age 25) facing mental health challenges.

Find a safe space to connect, ask questions, and share experiences at your comfort level. Learn from insightful discussions on topics that matter to you.

Sessions are led by Parent Peer Support Workers and held online via Microsoft Teams, with occasional coffee mornings. Drop in and out as needed.

Look forward to special guest events with professionals from CAMHS leading some of our sessions.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY	GET OUTSIDE & SUMMER ACTIVITIES
02	12PM - 1PM ONLINE
JUN	COFFEE MORNING SOUTH OXON
06	12PM - 1PM - LOCATION SHARED WHEN BOOKED
JUL	SLEEP
04	12PM - 1PM ONLINE
AUG	WELLBEING WALK
13	LOCATION AND TIME SHARED ON BOOKING

**TO REGISTER FOLLOW
THE LINK OR QR :**



WWW.OXFORDHEALTH.NHS.UK/CAMHS/INVOLVEMENT/OXON/WWY/




Oxford Health
NHS Foundation Trust


ONLINE COFFEE MORNINGS

JOIN OUR SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY!

Parent/Carer Peer Support Forum

... Weekly Coffee Morning Drop-In ...

 **17** Wednesday | 11am - 12:30pm
Online

 Limited to 10 spaces per session

To book follow the link or QR code

[HTTPS://WWW.OXFORDHEALTH.NHS.UK/CAMHS/INVOLVEMENT/OXON/WWY/](https://www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/camhs/involvement/oxon/wwy/)



Join our friendly, supportive space to connect with other parents and carers, share experiences, and get guidance from our Peer Support Workers. Whether you're navigating CAMHS or looking for ways to support your young person's mental health, we're here to help.

✦ Choose a Wednesday that works for you and drop in! ✦

Reserve your spot today! ❤️

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Supportive Steps
CAMHS
Child and Adolescent
Mental Health Service

Easter Holiday Activities

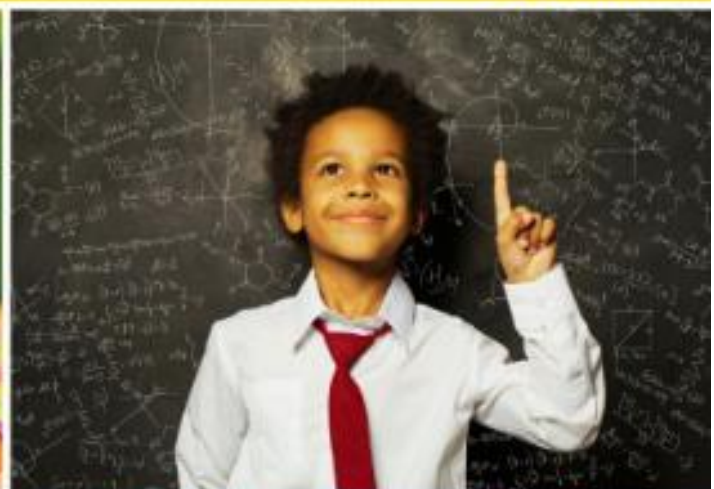
5 - 21 April 2025

Join us for a fantastic line-up of family fun Easter activities, including **The Sand Dragon: Puppet Show & Puppet Making Workshop**. Get hands-on with **egg-cellent Science** and step back in time with our **Anglo-Saxons workshops** for an unforgettable experience. With even more hands-on fun to discover, there's something for everyone to enjoy! Plus enjoy our **Easter Egg Trail** on every day of the holiday.

Discover more at discoverbucksmuseum.org
or scan the QR code



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Play, Discover, Learn!
this Easter holiday in
the Roald Dahl
Children's Gallery

Monday 7 April & 14 April – Eggcellent Science
60 minute workshop. Timed slots available.
Suitable for ages 5-11

Tuesday 8 April – Hatch A Dinosaur
10am – 3pm, drop in. Suitable for ages 4-11

Wednesday 9 April – Bucks Back In Time: Anglo-Saxons
10am – 3pm, drop in. Suitable for ages 4-11

Thursday 10 April – Make A Pinhole Camera
10am – 3pm, drop in. Suitable for ages 4 – 11

Friday 11 April – Matilda's Brilliant Bookbags
10am – 3pm, drop in. Suitable for ages 3 – 11

Tuesday 15 April – Get Inspired
10am – 3pm, drop in. Suitable for ages 3 – 11

Wednesday 16 April – The BFG's Dream Bottles
10am – 3pm, drop in. Suitable for ages 3 – 11

Thursday 17 April – The Sand Dragon: Puppet Show & Puppet Making Workshop. 90 minute workshop. Timed slots available.
Suitable for ages 4-9

Friday 18 April – Eggcellent Egg-Hunters
Timed slots available. Suitable for ages 3-10

Sunday 20 April – Easter Biscuits
12pm - 2pm, drop in. Suitable for ages 3-11

For more event
details, charges and
to book please scan
the QR code
or visit
discoverbucksmuseum.org

Enjoy our Easter
Egg Trail on
every day
5 - 21 April

Light Fantastic Hands-on Science Exhibits!

Experiment with lenses, lightning and luminosity and discover brilliant exhibits on colour and optics. Investigate how images merge into moving pictures and how your brain influences what you see. Also on display are the wonderful entries and competition winners in our Bucks Photography Exhibition.

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