



# Weekly Newsletter

Friday 15/12/2023

## Message from the Principal

This is always a very busy time of year in schools and this has certainly been the case at Elstow this week!

Thank you to our families for supporting us this week with all of the performances and Christmas jumper day. There was a wonderful array of designs which made Christmas lunch all the more festive.



At Elstow we are continuing to promote the love of reading. We are excited to announce that forty children have been selected to be a part of our first ever reading team. We are looking forward to what comes next from this team and for them to be sharing their passion for books with others.

Have a lovely weekend. We look forward to seeing you all next week for the last two days of term.

Mrs Ciantar

## Attendance

**Whole school attendance this week is 95.9%. We aim for our children to have 100% attendance.**

Hedgehogs	89.7%	Otters	81.3%
Squirrels	97.7%	Badgers	98%
Hawks	94.5%	Eagles	94.7%
Kestrels	95.8%	Falcons	94.1%
Beech	92.9%	Willows	97.3%
Ash	95.9%	Oak	91.8%

To report an absence, you will need to call the school absence line before 9am ([01234 302300 - extension 1](tel:01234302300)).

## Celebrating success

### The winners of our 'Great Work'

Robins – Athria

Owls – Lily

Hedgehogs – Whole Class

Otters – Angelos

Badgers – Carly

Squirrels – William

Hawks – Ryan P

Eagles – Noah B

Falcons – Martin

Kestrels – Kyle – Paul

Beech – Ashleigh

Willow – Lana

Ash – Isabella T

Oak – Zara

## Dodgeball

Mixed dodgeball tournament at Westfield. Great sportsmanship on display and they won 4 games and lost in the semi-finals.



## Year 6

Year 6 have been working with clay this week in art. After learning about Renaissance architecture and sculptures, they made their own 'in relief' sculptures of il Duomo in Florence.



## Upcoming Dates

Here is a list of key dates for this half term. Please note that new events may be added and that existing dates may be changed or cancelled. We will update you if this is the case.

Date	Event
18.12.23	Years 3,4,5 Carol Performance at Elstow Abbey - 2.00pm
19.12.23	Years 3,4,5 Carol Performance at Elstow School - 9.00am
19.12.23	Last day of term
04.01.24	Children return to school



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