

Dear Ellacombe Families,

Thank you to all those parents/carers who joined us for our three sports days this week; it is great for the children (and the staff!) to know you are so supportive. Thank you also to those parents/children who either donated or purchased cakes from our year 1 cake sale last week.

Next week is our "Ellacombe Through the Decades" show at the Lyceum Theatre where the children will be singing and dancing their way through the previous 4 (or 5 or 6?) decades. It would be lovely if you were able to come along and join in with this end of year fun. Tickets are on sale on the app with a few left to purchase. Years 3-6 (and choir) will be in both performances, year 1 just at the 10.15am one and year 2 just at 1.15pm performance. It would be lovely if the children were to come in next Wednesday 'dressed up' for this performance . . . either in clothes through the decades OR just in something bright and sparkly!

The children will also be meeting their new classes, class teachers and classrooms next Thursday; this is part of our transition plan this side of the holidays for the children to start to get ready for the next academic year in September.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Regards, Ms Alison Helm: Headteacher

## July

Tuesday 8th July	Year 2 LAP PE Event at Ellacombe Academy
Wednesday 9th July	Ellacombe Through the Decades at the Lyceum Theatre Years 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6 - 10.15am Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 - 1.15pm
Thursday 10th July	Meet your (children) new teacher morning and pupil reports out
Monday 14th July	Celebration of Learning for EYFS to Year 2 - 2pm to 2.45pm <b>Parents/Carers Welcome</b>
Tuesday 15th July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly at 9.15am
Tuesday 15th July	Celebration of Learning for years Yr3 to 5 2pm to 2.45pm <b>Parents/Carers Welcome</b>
Wednesday 23rd July	EYFS Beach trip
Friday 25th July	Last day of term <b>We are ALL still in school up to, and including, the Friday of this week!</b>
Wednesday 3rd September	All children back to school

Dates for your  
diary ...




## Attendance Awards

We are working really hard to make sure all our pupils are in school, every day and on time. Obviously we all get sick, every now and then, but if we are well, we need to be in school!

Well done to **Eagles, Swans and Little Lions** classes for excellent attendance this week.



CLASS ATTENDANCE		HOUSE ATTENDANCE	
Little Bears	91.23%	Christie House	95.74%
Little Lions	91.5%		
Little Foxes	94.21%		
Little Tigers	96.8%	Darwin House	93.74%
Unicorns	92%		
Dolphins	95.39%		
Little Horses	92.64%	Kingsley House	95.13%
Eagles	95.39%		
Swans	95.33%		
Herdsmen	98.8%	Singer House	94.77%
Heroes	95.83%		
Hunters	97.25%		
Warriors	94.44%	<div>The winner is ... <b>CHRISTIE HOUSE</b></div>	
The winner is ... <i>HERDSMEN</i>			

## PTA

### (FRIENDS OF ELLACOMBE)

We are looking to form a PTA/Friends of Ellacombe group in the new school year. If this is something you might be interested in being part of, please could you mention it to our Family Support Team or drop us a message. We will then look to have our first meeting in September.

### Year 4/5 Residential Trip

19 year 4 and 5 children have been lucky enough to be selected to visit some of our LAP partner schools in Cornwall this week. We have visited their schools, made some new friends, learnt about living in Cornwall and tried some new activities. The children have been wonderful ambassadors of Ellacombe.

I'll send some photos through



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### E-bike confidence building

Bought an e-bike and want to get out on it a bit more? Maybe you need a bit more confidence cycling on the road?

Feeling e-bike curious? We will hire an electric bike for you to try!

Weds at 10.30:  
23, & 30 June,  
6 Aug  
10, 17, 24 Sept

Meet at Torquay  
Harbourside,  
sign up via  
Eventbrite

[BigBikeRevival.org.uk](http://BigBikeRevival.org.uk)  
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# The Ellacombe Weekly

4th July 2025



## STARS OF THE WEEK



	<b>Little Stars</b>	Aurelia for her amazing progress in all her learning and development but especially Maths! Well done Aurelia
		Charlie for being such a caring friend and really demonstrating our trust values - well done
	<b>Little Bears</b>	Blakely for great progress in writing and always bringing his energy and enthusiasm to
	<b>Little Lions</b>	Isaac T for his positive attitude to learning.
	<b>Little Foxes</b>	Lola - for her incredible effort on sports day where she had a go and joined in! Super job
	<b>Little Tigers</b>	Kendrick - for a fantastic week all round, his positive attitude to his learning, effort during
	<b>Unicorns</b>	Elsie for trying her hardest with all her work especially her writing!
	<b>Dolphins</b>	Eilidh for being so supportive to all her friends at sports day!
	<b>Little Horses</b>	King for settling into Ellacombe so well!
	<b>Eagles</b>	Mollie- for her effort in sports day and for being a fantastic role model
	<b>Swans</b>	Ayush for always working hard in class and being an excellent role model to others.
	<b>Herdsmen</b>	Harry for his fantastic improvement in his handwriting. Well done Harry!
	<b>Heroes</b>	Eliza - for her incredible hard work over the year.
	<b>Hunters</b>	The whole of year 6 for coping so well with their transition days for secondary school
	<b>Warriors</b>	

## Our own World Famous Author!



As part of World Book Day, Mr Martin (who is a parent in the school) came to talk to the children about being a published author. Mr Martin has recently has his book 'Loki's Blessing' published and it was a wonderful opportunity for the children to ask questions about being a 'real author' and start to think about the fact this is something they could also do. As a school, we are obviously very keen to support Mr Martin with his amazing children's books. If you would like to purchase one of his books, log into MCAS, go to products and the book is listed there.

Starting this September, eligible working families with children under 3 will see their funded childcare increase from 15 to 30 hours per week.

Families can apply for 30 hours of childcare from the term after their child turns 9 months old, continuing until they start school. Under this funding, children can begin attending our nursery from the day they turn two.

This expansion is designed to support your child's early education and help you better balance work and family life. It's the final phase of the childcare expansion, which could save families up to £7,500 per year.

Apply for your childcare code by 31 August to start using the support from September

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## Concerns around some online content

**Bombardino Crocodilo** is a fictional meme character, a fusion of a crocodile and a military bomber plane. This meme contains inappropriate content including swearing and audio which talks about bombing within Gaza. This content could also be known as 'Tralalero Tralala' both videos have been heavily criticised on social media over their offensive audios. The content appears to be unfiltered so is getting through any restrictions you may have in place on your children's devices. Please be aware and checking what your children are watching on their devices. Any concerns or questions regarding this please feel free to speak to a member of the Safeguarding and Family Support Team.



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