Elder Class Newsletter

Autumn Term (1st half) - 2026

Miss Faires- Class teacher

Hello I am Miss Faires and welcome to Elder Class. I am really looking forward to teaching you again. I still very much love my pet dog Obi and I love to read.

I am currently pregnant with my first child. I will be going on maternity leave at the end of September/ beginning of October where Elder will be taken over by the wonderful Miss Huxtable. I know she is really looking forward to coming back and teaching again!

Miss Huxtable- From October

Miss Huxtable has been travelling for the last year and we are sure she will return with many exciting and interesting stories to tell. She is really looking forward to coming back and teaching year 4, a year group she is very familiar with. We are delighted to welcome her back to the school.

P.E. Days

Tuesday and Thursday

Homework

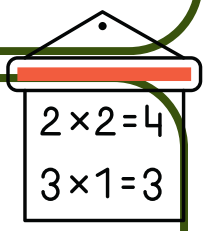
Handed out on a Friday, due the following Thursday. Please read x2 a week. The reading record *must* be signed.

Upcoming Dates

Return to school
3rd September 2026
Parent consultations
Week commencing 19th October
Half term
26th October - 30th October 2026

Optional Homework Activities

Art- create your own image inspired by Picasso
English- write your own story focusing on suspense and setting.
History- create a fact file about Ancient Greece.
Science- create your own investigation about sound.



Useful Links

Times table rockstars:
https://ttrockstars.com/
Hit the button:
https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button

This half term Elder class are learning about...

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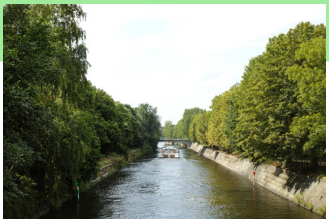
English:
Our Talk for Writing unit is called The Canal. The children will be focusing on setting and suspense.



Maths:
In maths, we will be focusing on the following topics:
Place value: order and compare numbers beyond 1,000, rounding, estimation and magnitude, securing addition and subtraction mental fluency and securing formal written addition and subtraction fluency

Art:
In art, we will be looking at the artist- Picasso. We will be looking at his style of art and we will eventually try and replicate it.

History:

Ancillary question:
The Story of the Trojan Horse: historical fact, legend or classical myth?

We will be looking at the events that led up to the Trojan Horse. We will be exploring what ancient Greece was like and also looking at Greek gods and goddesses.

RaW:
Big Enquiry Question:
Is it possible for everyone to be happy.

We will be exploring the life of Buddha, the 8-fold path and ways to stay happy.

Science:
Our unit for this half term is sound. We will be investigating the following:

- identify how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating
- recognise that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear
- find patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produced it
- find patterns between the volume of a sound and the strength of the vibrations that produced it
- recognise that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source increases

P.E:

We will be learning the basic skills of: quick sticks and basketball.