



# Elland C of E School

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## NEWSLETTER 22nd July 2021



### HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

Emily H —Year 4

Well Done!

#### Attendance Winners

Whole School— 93.7%

Winners—Year 3—99.6%

#### House Points Winners

Winter—374 points

Well Done!



#### PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Last week the Pupils of the Week were :

Nur: Esme W

Rec: Mitch R

Yr 1: Krystian J

Yr 2: Dexter E

Yr 3: Cobie P

Yr 4: Victoria L

Yr 5: Lucas B

Yr 6: Luke B

#### Wow Workers of the Week

Rec: Max C

Yr 1: Jack K

Yr 2: Molly W

Yr 3: Matthew L

Yr 4: Aleisha M

Yr 5: India N

Yr 6: Lucas M

As we reach the end of a difficult year, I wish you all a relaxing summer break. A rest and a battery recharge will do everyone the world of good as we prepare for our new term.

The new school term begins for children on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September**.

As you are aware, restrictions have been lifted and, from the new term, school will be able to operate more closely to as we did prior to the pandemic. You will shortly receive information regarding arrangements for September. We will be cautiously phasing the return of some of the activities that have not been able to take place over the past 18 months and ask you to bear with us during this time. We will keep you informed via our weekly newsletter.

I would like to say a huge thank you to the entire school team; teachers, teaching and support assistants, pastoral, admin, catering, premises staff and governors have all done an amazing job in school, under trying circumstances.

Thank you to parents and carers – your support during school closures and dedication to your child's learning has been remarkable. I know it has not been easy.

Finally, thank you to the children for their hard work, their kindness, their resilience and for just being fabulous.

I look forward to seeing you all again in September.

Miss L Hartley

### Farewell Year 6

Year 6, this has been a different end of year to what we would have hoped for you all. I am, however, happy that you all here together for your final few days of Primary School.

It has been a pleasure to know, teach, learn and laugh alongside all of you. You have shown a maturity this year that has made me proud and I know you are ready for your move to Secondary School.

As you take this next step, remember to be kind, be respectful and be a hard worker. Above all, be you!

Have a great time at your new schools – we will miss you.

Miss Hartley

- ◆ Our Leavers' Assemblies will be held at **10.30am and 1.30pm on Thursday** (please bring your tickets)

**NON-UNIFORM DAY**—On **Friday** we are having a belated Pride and end of year celebration day. All children can come to school in brightly coloured clothes - the brighter the better!

### Church Links

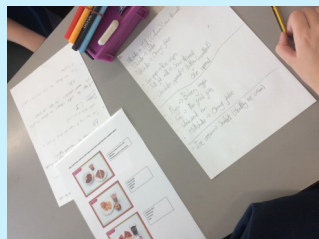
This week in Collective Worship the children learnt about Hope/Aspirations.

## Reports

Reports were sent out last week via SchoolPing. If you have not managed to access your child's report, please check your junk mail. Make sure you download the app for the best usage. Please note—reports will come off the system at the end of August, so please print or download a copy of you want to keep it. Thanks

## Year 6

Helena from Phunky Foods visited Year 6 to talk about Healthy Food Choices in preparation for making their own food choices at Secondary School.



## Summer Reading Challenge

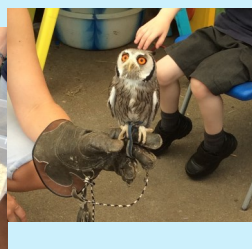
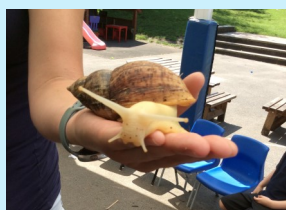
<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Watch the Wild World Heroes video trailer. Wild World Heroes, Summer Reading Challenge 2021 is here! Get ready for a summer of reading fun with the official video trailer.



## Early Years

On Tuesday Nursery and Reception enjoyed a visit from Northowram Birds as their end of year treat. Steph brought an African giant land snail called Zuri, a Chilean Rose tarantula called Incy Wincy, an African pygmy hedgehog called Spike Fury, a white faced owl called Diago and a tawny owl called Scout. The children got to stroke the snail and the owls and Mrs Kelly, Mrs Kitchen and Mrs Tordoff were brave enough to hold the tarantula! We had a fabulous time learning all about the different animals and getting to look closely at each of them.



## Sports Day





## Uniform

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3. Collect or donate

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Calderdale Council

## Donations

If anyone has any good condition uniform (which is no longer needed), we would be very grateful for donations to school.

Thank you

## Summer Activities

**COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR CALDERDALE**  
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**TAGS**  
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**FREE HEALTHY HOLIDAYS CALDERDALE**

TAGS is delighted to have partnered with Community Foundation Calderdale and are able offer FREE child places on our Summer Holiday Sports Programme. If your child is eligible for free school meals through qualifying benefits and is between 5-11 years you are entitled to a FREE place on our sports camps this Summer. Your child will receive a nutritious meal and have opportunities to take part in sport activities on our camps, throughout the whole Summer starting 26th July

**JOIN THE FUN THIS SUMMER AND ENJOY A HEALTHY HOLIDAY!**

Scan the code to book your FREE Summer place or visit [www.tagsprogramme.co.uk](http://www.tagsprogramme.co.uk)

## Morrisons

**Cricket-EAT**  
HEALTHY HOLIDAYS FOR CHILDREN

AIMED AT 7-13 YEAR OLDS

**FREE**

Cricket-EAT includes 2 hours of physical activity and a free packed lunch. Please wear clothing and shoes suitable for physical activity. Booking on to activity is essential - please contact ben.tyler@yorkshirecricketfoundation.com or 07842 313803 for more info.

Elkland Cricket Club, The Cricket Ground, Hullen Rd, Elland, W5 0DY

From 26th July - 3rd September  
Monday to Friday  
10am to 12pm



Kat, our Morrisons Community Champion, has very kindly brought several donations for our Breakfast Club over the last few weeks.

We would like to say a big

**thank you**

to Morrisons and Kat for all their support over this year!

## Tiktok

TikTok is a video-sharing social media app which lets people create, view and download looping 15-second clips. Typically, these are videos of users lip-synching and dancing to popular songs or soundbites (often for comic purposes), enhanced with filters, effects and text. Designed with young people in mind, TikTok skyrocketed in popularity in 2018 and has featured near the top of download charts ever since. It now has around 800 million active users worldwide.

**AGE RESTRICTION 12+**  
Under 18s require parental consent

**What Parents & Carers Need to Know About TIKTOK**

<b>AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT</b> Most videos appearing on a child's feed are light-hearted and amusing. However, some clips have been reported for featuring drug and alcohol abuse, themes of suicide and self-harm, or young teens acting in a sexually suggestive way. The sheer volume of uploads is impossible to moderate entirely - so it is possible for a child to be exposed to explicit and age-inappropriate content.	<b>EXPLICIT SONGS</b> TikTok primarily revolves around videos of users lip-synching and dancing to music. Unsurprisingly, some featured songs will contain explicit or suggestive lyrics. Given the app's young user base, there is a risk that children may view older users' videos and want to imitate any explicit language or suggestive actions.	<b>TIKTOK FAME</b> The app has created its own celebrities. Charli D'Amelio and CJ Ross K, for example, were catapulted to fame by exposure on TikTok - leading to many more teens attempting to go viral and become "TikTok famous". While most aspiring users hoping to go viral need trying will find it difficult, setbacks may be hard enough for them to go to even more drastic lengths to get noticed.
<b>HAZARDOUS VISIBILITY</b> Connecting with others is simple on TikTok - including commenting on and reacting to users' videos, following their profile and downloading their content. The majority of these interactions are harmless, but - because of its abundance of teen users - TikTok has experienced problems with predators contacting young people.	<b>ADDICTIVE NATURE</b> Like all social media, TikTok is designed to be highly entertaining - but that also makes it hard to put down. As well as the punchy nature of the short video format, the app's ability to keep you intrigued about what's trending next means it's easy for a 5-minute visit to turn into a 45-minute stay.	<b>IN-APP PURCHASES</b> There's an in-app option to purchase "TikTok coins", which are then converted into digital rewards for sending to content creators that you like. Prices range from 10p to over £100. Buying coins is now restricted to over-18s - but TikTok doesn't require users to verify their age on sign up, so a young person could easily access this feature if they were determined to.

**Advice for Parents & Carers**

<b>TALK ABOUT ONLINE CONTENT</b> Assuming your child is above TikTok's age limit, but to them about what they're viewed on the app. Ask their opinion on what's appropriate and what isn't, explain why they shouldn't give out personal details or sexual details, and what information like their school or home address, in the long run, could lead them to be in trouble. It's important to explain that what they see on TikTok could help them to become social media savvy.	<b>MAINTAIN PRIVACY SETTINGS</b> In early 2020, TikTok changed the default setting for all under-18 accounts to 'private', keeping it that way in the latest updates. It means only users who your child approves can watch their videos. The 'strict' (which is the default for most other social media apps) means that anyone can see their own and their friends' (where you build an account by connecting with other users) videos alongside their original features are now only available to over-18s. This might clash with your child's ambitions of social media stardom, but it will surely help their account against predators.	<b>LEARN ABOUT REPORTING AND BLOCKING</b> With the correct privacy settings applied, TikTok is a relatively safe space. However, if you notice something about a video through, make sure your child knows how to recognise and report inappropriate content and get them to come to you about anything upsetting that they've seen. TikTok offers users to report anyone breaching its guidelines, while you can also block individual users through their profile.
<b>ENABLE FAMILY SAFETY MODE</b> TikTok's Family Safety Mode lets parents and carers lock their own TikTok account to their child's. Through your mobile, you can control your child's safety settings remotely - including limiting screen time, managing their account's privacy settings, and controlling what content they see. TikTok released its Safety Centre in May 2020, providing new resources for parents and carers to support online safety among families. These resources can be found on their website.	<b>USE RESTRICTED MODE</b> In the app's 'Digital Wellbeing' section, you can filter out inappropriate content (specific content creators or hashtags, for instance) using 'Restricted Mode'. This can then be locked with a PIN. You should note, though, that the algorithm moderating content isn't fully dependent on it - so it's wise to stay aware of what your child is watching.	<b>MODERATE SCREEN TIME</b> As understanding as TikTok is, you can help your child to manage their time on it in the 'Digital Wellbeing' section. Under 'Screen Time Management', you can limit the daily permitted time on the app (in increments ranging from 45 minutes to 1 hour). This preference can also be locked behind a PIN. That way, your child can get their regular dose of TikTok without accessing the whole day.

**Meet our expert**  
Parveen Kaur is a social media expert and digital media consultant who is passionate about improving digital literacy for parents and children. She has extensive experience in the social media arena and is the founder of Kids N Click - a web resource that helps parents and children thrive in a digital world.

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## Free Online Courses

Due to Government Funding in the Adult Education Budget, The Aim Group have offered Elland CE several **Free** online Level 2 Accredited Courses available to Parents and Staff to help better understand some key issues around young people's mental health and wellbeing.



Here's some of our most popular subjects available:

- **Understanding Children and Young Peoples Mental Health** (Understand factors which may affect Young Peoples mental health, the impact that they have and how to support them with these issues)
- **Understanding Autism** (learn how individuals process sensory information, understand characteristics, understand conditions, learn how speech, language and communication differ in people with Autism)
- **Understanding Behaviour That Challenges** (supporting positive behaviour, effective communication & how to manage challenging behaviour)
- **Understanding Specific Learning Difficulties** (understand characteristics of ADHD, ADD, Dyslexia & Dyscalculia, importance of early diagnosis, assessment methods available to diagnose learning difficulties)
- **Adverse Childhood Experiences** (tailored to understand how separation, divorce and death in a family can influence a child's mental health)

On average the courses take between **20-40 hours** to complete (dependent on everyone's learning ability) within a **6-week window** and are completed on a laptop or computer at the learner's home. No Exams, end point assessments are involved, the courses are purely Q&A based and are available to you 24/7. **You can do as many as you like**, however you can just do one at a time.

The only criteria the learner must meet to be eligible, is the following..

- Aged 19 or over on or before 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020
- Have lived in the UK/EU for 3+ years
- Not already on a Government funded course (Apprenticeship for example)

The course is completely free, but the learning provider reserves the right to charge a drop out fee in the event a learner enrolls but then drops out without providing a reason (please note this is down to the individual and NOT the school - this will be highlighted when I call them once registered). **That said, the college will grant extensions if the learner has a reason as to why they won't be able to complete it within the 6 weeks.**

If you are interested in undertaking one of these Free Online courses, then please complete the following link asap. This will then allow me to contact you and send over the relevant Enrolment details and of course, answer any questions you have.



### [Free Online Courses](#)

We need to have heard back from you ASAP to ensure we get you set up and enrolled on your chosen course

Any questions you may have **Shane Conlon** will be in touch once you are registered to walk you through everything and make sure you are happy.

## Wellbeing World

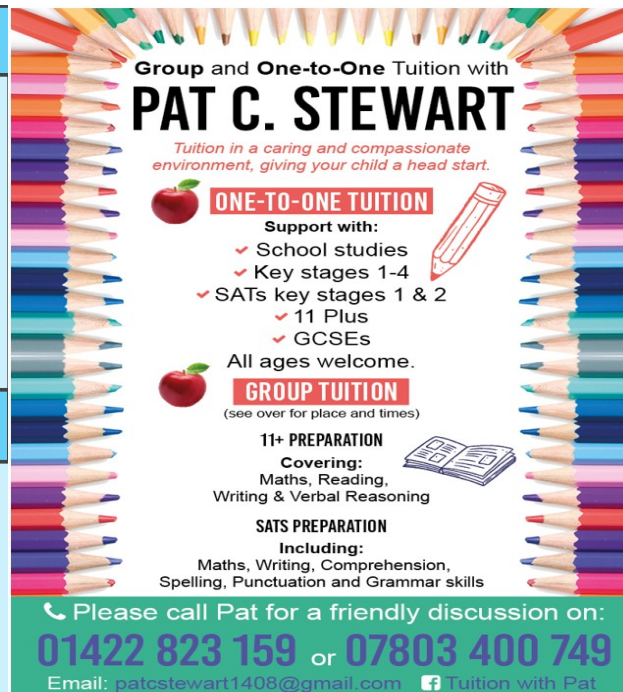
Last week, we told you about Jason, Tommy, Joe and Harley who worked on a project which was supported by the Police and tasked groups with developing an idea to support young people's wellbeing, due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Kat, our Community Champion for Morrisons, very kindly dropped off a gift bag for each of the boys to congratulate them on all of their hard work!

## Free School Meals

We have been informed by the Welfare and Benefits service that they will not be writing to parents regarding their ongoing FSM award for the new academic year.

All existing awards will continue and they will only advise those parents of children changing schools or starting school in September of their new FSM awards at their new schools.




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## Health Update

Children with simple cold symptoms such as runny noses or sore throats **without fever** should not be tested for COVID-19, and can attend school if they feel well enough to do so.

Anyone with any of the three main symptoms of COVID-19 should stay at home and arrange testing.

Please contact school to advise us of any absence.

Please note that unless advised otherwise, only people who present with **any of the three main symptoms of COVID-19 should be tested**.

Testing must be conducted within the first 5 days of the onset of symptoms.

If someone is being tested in your household, **ALL** family members will need to isolate until a negative test is returned.

When you receive your test result, **please email [admin@elland.calderdale.sch.uk](mailto:admin@elland.calderdale.sch.uk)** with details before your child returns to school. Children can return to school as soon as a negative test is received.

If your child develops any of the key symptoms for COVID-19 in school, we will contact parents/carers and ask for you to arrange a test. This is in line with Government guidelines.

### Symptoms

High temperature  
New continuous cough  
Loss or change to sense of taste or smell

## Upcoming Events

**Thursday 22nd July**—Y6 Leavers' Assembly 10.30am and 1.30pm

**Friday 23rd July**—Pride/End of Term non-uniform day—wear bright colours!

**Friday 23rd July**—End of Term

**Tuesday 7th September**—School reopens

