



Dear Eltham Family

The academic year continues to fly by and I can't believe there is only one more week left of the Spring Term! Please be aware that our Easter services will be celebrated after the holidays (see dates and time below).

Reading at Eltham Church of England Primary School will always be a priority. Please ensure your child reads the book they bring home every day and record what they read in their reading record. This does not need to be a long read – a few pages when they get home or a chapter at bedtime. We are fortunate that we have a wide range of books that children are able to bring home and we will always access the library in The Eltham Centre, celebrate local authors and World Book Day. We encourage children to read 'real' books rather than read from a screen.

In the Summer Term, we will relaunch our 'Reading Pledge' with a range of exciting activities. Thank you for your support with reading – we truly believe that if your child is a fluent reader and someone who enjoys reading, they will be able to access more opportunities and achieve more.

BOOKS NEEDED: Our Reading Rainforest has been used so well that there are now a few gaps on the shelves. If you have any books at home that you would be willing to donate to the school, they would be much appreciated! We especially need junior fiction, chapter books, non-fiction (information) books and religious books/stories from the Bible.

Whilst on the subject of our wonderful Reading Rainforest, we have a number of 'library monitors' who keep the space tidy and ready for children to access. If you are interested in getting involved with our Reading Rainforest and are able to volunteer an hour of your time every few weeks, please let me or the school office know. We are hoping to label the books and develop a proper library system so any help is always gratefully received.

You will have received an email yesterday from Mrs Leonard, giving details of our revised Summer Term **School Clubs** offer. An email today gives more details of the clubs on offer via Parentmail. Booking will go live next week on Thursday 3rd April at 6pm.

Parents/Carers' Prayer Group – just a reminder that the prayer group meet in the MayWhit Café every Thursday at 9am. This is a time of fellowship for the school community. All members of the Eltham family are welcome.

The last day of term is Friday 4th April – 1:30pm finish.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend with lots of rest and time doing what you enjoy. We look forward to seeing everyone on Monday ready for more exciting learning.

Very best wishes

Matt Wills, Headteacher



Reminder: The clocks go forward by an hour this weekend (Sunday 30th March).

Jesus replied, "What is impossible with man is possible with God." Luke 18 v 27

Calendar Dates

School breaks up - Friday 4th April (1:30pm finish)

Back to school - Tuesday 22nd April

Easter Services - Wednesday 23rd April **Year 1, 2 and 3 at 9:30am** / **Year 4, 5, 6 at 2pm**

WHOLE CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS - Tuesday 3rd/Wednesday 4th June (FULL Summer uniform for all children please!)

INSET Day - Friday 13th June - No children in school