



ELLIS GUILFORD SCHOOL
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PRINCIPAL'S VLOG

Friday 14th November, 2025



Week 8 Principal's Update

Wow! What a great week we have had!

On Monday, it was wonderful to celebrate Odd Sock Day with children which prompted lots of conversations about uniqueness and differences, and how these should be celebrated!

Tuesday's Whole School Remembrance Service was incredibly moving. Our children showed the utmost respect. Well done to all.

Thursday saw the announcement of our EGScellent Junior Leadership Team (more on page 2) who have been successful following two highly competitive interview processes.

And we ended the week with a fantastic Friday, raising money for Children in Need with a whole school bake sale. Thank you to all children, families and staff who supported this event.

Parent/Carer Voice: I really value feedback from Parents/Carers, and use this regularly to improve our school offer. Feedback can be given via [this link](#) or by scanning this QR Code.



Use
your
Voice

Top Guilford Gold

Well done to the above children who are our top Guilford Gold earners in their year group this week.



Year 7	Joshua M (7D)
Year 8	Ula K (8I)
Year 9	Aaliya A (9I)
Year 10	Moyosola I (10L)
Year 11	Laycie C (11H)

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"Can we look at the one way system and maybe adjust to make it quicker?."

"There is great teaching here in school; lessons are great"

"The extra lessons after school for Year 11 are really helping."

"Can we look at cheaper break time snacks for FSM children who save their money for lunch time?"

Children's Voice in Action

This week, Miss Johnson has loved sitting down again with our children over a hot chocolate to hear their thoughts, ideas, and plans for making EGS even better. We wanted to share just a few of their brilliant comments with you too!

"The support we get from teachers in lessons is great"

Junior Leadership Team

This week, we held interviews for our brand-new Junior Leadership Team — and what an incredible response we had! So many enthusiastic and passionate children applied, making the selection process a real challenge.

After a round of impressive interviews, Miss Johnson and Mr McCalla had the tough job of shortlisting candidates. We are delighted to announce the successful children who will represent EGS as part of this exciting new team.

These young leaders will play a key role in shaping school life, supporting events, and being the voice of their peers. Congratulations to everyone who applied — **your ambition and commitment make us proud!**

Junior Leadership Team; Christofer E, Lacey A, Lacey F, Tofunmi A, Ula K, Ewa B, Qaasim R, Sarim A, Seb W, Al-Imran A, Greatness A and Moyosola I

Junior Principals



Junior Vice Principals



SPORTS

AMBITION



Year 10 Girls Show True Grit at City Basketball Competition!

On Thursday, our Year 10 girls proudly represented EGS at the City Basketball Competition, facing some very tough opposition. A hard-fought draw against a strong Nottingham Academy side was a fantastic result and a real highlight of the day!

Special shout-outs go to:

D'Meisha – for scoring two baskets in our final game against Trinity Matipa – for her relentless defensive running against Nottingham Academy

The girls battled hard, showing grit, determination, and teamwork throughout. We are so proud of their effort and sportsmanship!



The squad: Greatness A, Lisa O, Dorothy A, Deborah O, Precious E, Bella L, Aliyah H, Janet D, Aliyat A, D'Meisha R, Naomi D, Matipa G, Janeta G, Stephanie K

Year 10 & 11 Shine at Inclusive Dodgeball Festival!

Today, a group of our Year 10 and 11 students travelled to Harvey Hadden Stadium to take part in the Inclusive Dodgeball Festival — and what an incredible performance they delivered! Our students worked tirelessly, showing **EGScellent** teamwork and determination, finishing the festival unbeaten and winning all six of their games!



A huge well done to everyone involved — you've made EGS proud!

The squad: Asher A, Stacey B, Ava B, Brooke C, Kian E, Tresora M, Brandon P, Max P & Kaiden V

INTEGRITY



RESPECT



Celebrating our EGScellent children



PARTY WITH THE PRINCIPAL

Our children who have shown EGScellence throughout the week or demonstrated our values or pledges have enjoyed a Party with the Principal today. More detail of their achievements will be shared on our socials.

This weeks winners were:

Year 7 – Joshua M (7D), Ayushi S (7G) and Ross S (7A)

Year 8 – Ula K (8I), Roman H (8H), Zachary D (8G), Ashvin S (8H), Ethan T (8B) and Zohaa H (8H)

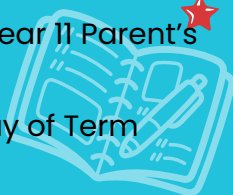
Year 9 – Aaliya A (9I), Joyal L (9F) and Joel V (9H)

Year 10 – Moyosola I (10I)

Year 11 – Laycie C (11H) and Nikan VF (11H)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Thursday 20th November:** Spaghetti Towers House competition in tutor time.
- **Starting Thursday 20th November:** 12-week indoor multi-sports and team games programme with Play and Youth ([click here](#))
- **1st December:** House competition; 'Super Mario Quiz' will be set. 40th Anniversary!
- **W/C Monday 15th December:** **EGScellence EGStravaganza Week!!**
- **Wednesday 17th December:** Year 11 Parent's evening and careers fair
- **Friday 19th December:** Last day of Term



Attendance

Principal's Prize Box

We are celebrating children who have been at school **every day** since we returned from the half term break, and therefore have not broken their streak! Those children were put into a raffle, and we selected 25 winners!

This weeks 1st prize winners were:

Year 7 - Rio W (7D)
 Year 8 - Truly P (8F)
 Year 9 - Rosie S (9E)
 Year 10 - Evie T (10J)
 Year 11 - Regina W (11F)



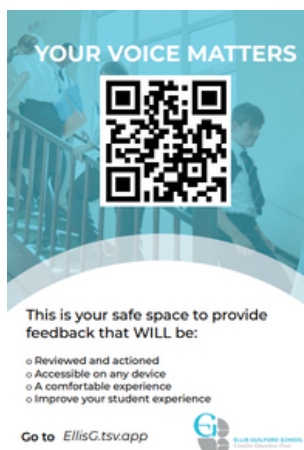
SAFEGUARDING – National Anti-Bullying Week 2025

This week we supported National Anti-Bullying Week through:

- Development of a new Anti-Bullying strategy which clearly states our vision in dealing with bullying
- Development of an Anti-Bullying webpage on our website (look out for this soon)
- Staff anti-bullying training
- Tutor group training on anti-bullying
- Participation in Odd Socks Day Monday 14th November

Please encourage your child to report any and all bullying concerns to a member of staff. They can also report concerns anonymously through The Student Voice platform.

Link here to our [CET anti-bullying policy](#).



Odd socks turn out



Children in Need today!

If you have any Safeguarding concerns, please email: john.williams@ellisguilfordschool.org.uk

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