



ELLIS GUILFORD SCHOOL
Creative Education Trust

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PRINCIPAL'S VLOG
Friday 26th September, 2025

Our Socials...



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Ellis Guilford School Open Evening 2025

What an unforgettable night! We were blown away by the incredible number of families that attended and shared positive messages about our school community.

Thank you to our fantastic child helpers – they really were the stars of the show, proudly guiding tours around our school, sharing their favourite subjects and showcasing the amazing opportunities that make our school so special. From buzzing science labs to vibrant art displays, sporty demos to delicious food – the energy was **ELECTRIC!**

Shout Out to Tofunmi in Year 11 who joined Miss Johnson and gave three incredible speeches on the evening to prospective families. ★

Top Guilford Gold

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



Year 7	Max C (7H)
Year 8	Ayma A (8I)
Year 9	Seth R (9F)
Year 10	Diana J (10E)
Year 11	Katie A (11E)

EGS Open Mornings

For any prospective parents, there are a number of opportunities to come and look around the school during the school day.

Please [click here](#) to book.

Community Hub

The Ellis Guilford Community Hub is a welcoming space offering a wide range of structured and drop-in sessions throughout the week. Although based on the Ellis Guilford School site, the Hub is open to everyone in our local community—not just Ellis Guilford families.

Whether you're looking to join adult learning courses, attend support or neighbourhood groups, meet new people over a cuppa, or bring your little ones along to play and make friends, the Hub is here for you.

Stacey Parkes, our Community Hub Lead, is always happy to chat. If you have any support queries, she'll help signpost you to the most appropriate services.

For more information, to get involved, or to share ideas about what our community would benefit from, email Stacey at communityhub@ellisguilford.org.uk

Monday 29th September

3pm – 6.15pm

Support drop-in (including uniform support)

Tuesday 30th September

9am – 12pm, open for drop-in

12:30 – 2:30pm, Crafts for Christmas course with Nottingham College

Wednesday 1st October

9am – 12pm, open for drop-in

3pm – 6:15pm, Support drop-in

Thursday 2nd October

10am – 11am, Little Learners Lounge, stay and play group (booking required)
1:30 – 3:30pm, open for drop-in

Friday 3rd October

9am – 11am, Toast and Tea (weekly)



AMBITION



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 – Max C

Year 8 – Ayma A, Ruqayya A

Year 9 – Seth R, Chioma O, Tadiswa D, Aaron M

Year 10 – Diana J, Riley P, Tristan H,
Dorothy A, Misheck S, Layla D

Year 11 – Katie A, Amelia B-G, Tawananyasha P, Star U

Attendance Principal's Prize Box



We are celebrating children who have been at school **every day** since we returned from the summer 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 – Noah R

Year 8 – Edeva B

Year 9 – Riley L

Year 10 – Lilly C

Year 11 – Jershon A



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **WC Monday 13th October:** EGScellence EGStravanganza Week for all children
- **Friday 17th October:** Flu Immunisations. provide consent by the 3rd October
- **Friday 17th October:** Break Up for October Half Term
- **Monday 3rd November:** Return from Half Term for Autumn 2
- **WC Monday 3rd November:** Year 11 SPARX Maths Assessment Week



SAFEGUARDING – Critical Incident Practice

Last week we completed critical incident fire evacuation practice with all children. I am really pleased to report that all buildings were evacuated quickly, safely and thoroughly. Our children were EGScellent in their conduct – particularly Year 7 for whom this was their first full fire evacuation practice.

This week we will be practicing our critical incident lockdown procedure. In the unlikely event that we need to keep our children safe using an invacuation (for example if there was a serious police incident on Bar Lane with the risk of an intruder on the school site) we would implement a school lockdown. During a school lockdown, children are kept safe in classrooms and external access into buildings is restricted by senior leaders. Our children will receive training and warning prior to the lockdown practice to reassure them that this is simply a drill, and to make sure they know what to do if they hear the alert.

Please talk to your children about critical incidents and the importance of planning for them – both at school and in the home. This could be a good time to review your own fire evacuation planning at home. Please [click here](#) for advice.



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



HELPFUL LINKS...



[Class Charts Login](#)



[Arbor Parent Portal & App](#)



[Free School Meals](#)



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