



ELLIS GUILFORD SCHOOL
Creative Education Trust



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PRINCIPAL'S VLOG
Friday 25th September, 2026

Our Socials...



Week 4 Principal's Update

We are really looking forward to showing prospective families around our school this Wednesday for our open evening! Please do come along and see us!

This week, we have shared the great news of our successful Junior Leadership Team. The children worked so hard to apply and their interviews were fantastic. Well done to all!

I enjoyed meeting with Year 10 Group 1 this morning for Hot Chocolate. We spoke about them feeling particularly supported as their GCSE journey gets underway. We talked about our rewards in school, and discussed some EGSciting opportunities that they'd like to make a reality! Watch this space!

A reminder to encourage your child to sign up to Ellis Electives. These are free, really great opportunities for our children to build relationships with other children and with staff, whilst doing something they enjoy!

Top Guilford Gold

Congratulations to the children listed below, who are this week's top Guilford Gold earners in their year group.



We celebrated their achievement at a special party with the Principal!

Year 7	Skylar-Rae S (7A)
Year 8	David E (8F)
Year 9	Ayomiposi S (9B)
Year 10	Evangeline A (10J)
Year 11	Mohammed C (11G)

Children's Voice in Action

This week, our **Year 10's** shared their thoughts, opinions and ideas with Miss Johnson at Hot Chocolate and Chat. The children also made some great points and provided insights into what school means to them...

"Could we get Tennis Balls in the swap shop please?"

"The one way system is good - it's making there is less congestion!"



"The EGScellence centre is well stocked - there are lots of resources. The teacher is there to help us and keeps the space calm."



"Can we have ellis-electives in the school gym?"

The family breakfast serves hot chocolate - this makes sure we've had something warm in the morning

INTRODUCING OUR JUNIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM.

NEW



It is EGScellent to be celebrating Our New Junior Leadership Team!

We are delighted to announce our newly appointed Junior Leadership Team, a group of outstanding young people who are ready to make a positive difference across our school community.

Firstly, our Junior Principals are:

- Greatness A, 11E
- Moyosola I, 11I

Selected for their enthusiasm, commitment, and leadership potential, our new team members have already demonstrated a passion for helping others and improving school life. Their aspirations reflect the values we champion every day; ambition, integrity and respect.

The positivity our Junior Leadership Team will bring to their roles is truly inspiring. You will see them around the school, at events, and out in the community, proudly wearing their team uniform and representing everything that EGS stands for.

Congratulations to each and every one of you on this fantastic achievement. We are EGScited to begin working alongside you and look forward to seeing the impact of your first project and the many successes that will follow.

AMAZING

Wow! TOP 10 PRINCIPAL!

We are extremely proud to share that our very own Miss Johnson has been recognised in the Top 10 School Principals in Europe ...

This is a well deserved accolade for our Principal and we would love for you to take a read for yourselves.



The article cites *"Gemma Johnson, the Principal of Ellis Guilford School, brings extensive leadership experience across teaching, pastoral leadership and whole - school improvement. She is committed to raising educational standards, developing high-performing teams and fostering an inclusive culture where every child can thrive."*

The full article, which is featured in the 'Education Insider' publication, can be read here [Click Link](#)

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.

This weeks winners are:

Year 7 - Skylar-Rae S (7A), Muhammad A (7G) and Leylan L (7G)

Year 8 - David E (8F), Livana A (8G) and Nataliya H (8G)

Year 9 - Ayomiposi S (9B) and Ula K (9F)

Year 10 - Evangeline A (10J), Ritsuka B (10H), Ella A (10G) and Evangeline A (10J)

Year 11 - Mohammed C (11G), Aakash A (11E) and Nate A (11B)

THIS WEEKS ATTENDANCE WINNERS!

Congratulations to this weeks attendance winners!

Year 7

Nevaeh-Mai (7B)
Roman H (7C)
Marnai J (7F)
Muhammad K (7C)

Year 8

Brooke B (8A)
Maddies G (8G)
Taylan S (8B)
Letaya W (8B)

Year 9

Matias D (9A)
Anne-Marie P (9G)
Alfie W (9E)
Evie J (9G)

Year 10

Margaret G (10J)
Tristain L (10G)
Grace S (10A)
Leo S (10G)

Year 11

Teal A (11J)
Mason F (11D)
George M (11A)
Chloe W (11A)

DON'T BREAK YOUR STREAK



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Wednesday 30th September:** "Spread the word", its our **OPEN EVENING! 5-8pm**

- **Our Open Morning Tours:**

Monday 5th October 9:30am-10:30am

Friday 9th October 9.30am-10.30am

Monday 12th October 9.30am-10.30am

Tuesday 13th October 9:30am-10:30am

For Booking please [click here](#)

- **W/C 12th October: EGScellence**

EGStravaganza



SAFEGUARDING – Harmful sexual behaviour

This week in safeguarding, our children have been learning about harmful sexual behaviour (HSB). The focus has been on recognising what HSB is and how it can present in school.

The important concept of consent has been discussed, and children signposted to clear lines of reporting and support should they be a victim of HSB. We reminded all children that Ellis Guilford School has a zero-tolerance approach to HSB.

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



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.



[NHS Advice on Sickness](#)

Our Attendance Team: 0115 9131338



Tuesday saw a group of our children travel to Harvey Hadden to participate in the RELAY CHALLENGE.

Our children worked incredibly hard throughout the event, demonstrating EGScellent determination, teamwork and resilience. The boys completed an impressive 15 laps, while the girls went one better with 16 laps, meaning both teams set a new school record!

Every child represented the school EGScceptionally well and should be proud of their efforts and achievements on the day. Their positive attitude and commitment were evident throughout the competition, and they were fantastic ambassadors for the school.

WELL DONE to: Grace C, Kian E, Margret G, Maxx H, Ruby N, Corbon O'H, Max P, Kaiden P, Lilly S and Lacie T. A massive shout out must also go to our Sports Leaders, Mason B (9F) and Ula K (9F), who were phenomenal in helping to lead the event. Their enthusiasm, support and leadership played a key role in the success of the day.

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This is your safe space to provide feedback that will be:
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Where EGScellence thrives, and the EGScceptional shine

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