Welcome to Elm class!

Teachers:	Mrs Bartram (Mon) Mrs Ratcliffe (Tues Weds Friday) Mrs Jarrald (Thurs)
TAS:	Mrs S Harvey (Monday – Friday) Mrs L Harvey (Mon –Thurs morning) and PPA (HLTA) Mrs King (Friday) Mrs Wallace (Tues, Weds, Thurs afternoon)
Daily Routine:	**Mornings:** Line up at 8.50am – teacher will lead children into class **PE is on MONDAY & TUESDAY - Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school all week – ready to be changed into.** PE kit – White T shirt, Blue/Navy shorts, trainers and of course in colder weather your child will need a warm top and track suit bottoms (navy/blue school uniform colours) Monday Morning – children will change into their trainers for a skills PE session Tuesday Morning – Children will change into their PE kit in school ready for their PE session. **Forest School - FRIDAY MORNINGS -** please send your child in suitable old clothing; prepared for ALL weathers and mud. Long sleeves and legs for protection when climbing and from stings and bugs. – Please send in school uniform to be changed into after their forest school session **End Of The Day:** • Your child will be expected to remember all their belongings at the end of the day and we encourage them to organise themselves. (Anything your child brings into school needs to be **clearly named**. This includes all clothing especially JUMPERS, bags, drink bottles, lunch boxes etc.) • Your child will leave school at 3.15pm onto the large KS2 playground. We will let the children go as soon as we can see the adult collecting them; ***if there is a change to whom normally collects your child, please let the the office know.***
Reading	**Reading:** • We will read in class 3 x times a week in our reading practise sessions. The books we read will directly match with the phonics digraphs your child has been learning that week. They will read the same book in the 3 sessions. Learning how to decode, add expression and then showing comprehension; answering simple questions about the book they have read. • On Thursday they will bring home a copy of this book to celebrate with you. They should be able to read the book quite fluently and we encourage them to share with you the things they have learned throughout the week. (please return the copies of books by Wednesday the week following) • Children will bring home a Reading Journal with their phonics book. This is a 2-way book. We will write in any relevant comments about their group sessions during the week. Please feel free to celebrate any reading they have

	enjoyed at home or comment on anything they found tricky. Please keep books and reading journals in bags and bring them into school EVERY DAY – we may occasionally keep journals at school to update but will avoid this where possible. • As well as their phonics book we want children to be "Reading for Pleasure" choosing books that they love to share with you. These can be read to them by you and shared together throughout the week. They will bring home a class sharing book in their bookbag. These can be exchanged in class at any point throughout the week. • We will also visit the school library once a week where the children borrow books and bring them into our class creating an **"Elm Class"** library where they recommend stories to other and discuss why they have chosen them. • We hope to develop an intrinsic love of reading through our "Reading for Pleasure" ethos that is becoming embedded within our classroom and throughout the school.
Keep In Touch:	If you have any questions or need to let us know something we aim to be out at the beginning and end of the day. Please don't hesitate to approach us – we are really very friendly and understanding!