Elvington Primary School Newsletter October 2019

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Our Christian value for this half term.
Do for others what you want them to do to you.
Matthew 7:12 Genesis 1:26-28

Don't forget Teacher Training Day, Friday 25th October, the school is closed.

Message from Mrs Bland.

Dear Parents and Carers

During my brief time at Elvington, I have been extremely impressed by the fabulous pupils and the dedicated team of staff. It is a privilege to be working here, and I would like to thank the school community for making me so welcome. I have already met many of you, and for those of you that aren't able to make it up to school on a regular basis I will be in school throughout the parents evenings on Tuesday 22nd and Thursday 24th October. My priority this term is ensure stability in the school, and I am in regular contact with Mr Buttery (who is very excited to join the school in January!), so that any changes have his support. I am looking forward to the remainder of my time at Elvington, particularly as there are so many exciting opportunities planned for our pupils.

Best wishes,
Mrs Bland
Working together, we can all achieve success

Times Table Rockstars

Welcome back Rockstars! I hope you've been working hard on your times tables over the summer holidays and are ready to get rocking again.
A big congratulations to the following pupils for gaining the most coins throughout August on Times Table Rockstars.

1. Scott Ellis
2. Thomas Skelton
3. Ava Westgarth
4. Hattie Wells
5. Megan Skelton
6. Emily-Grace O'Keefe
7. Isla Garner
8. Sophie Wilson
9. Chloe Spencer
10 Taylor Camp

Battle of the bands has begun again, please see timetable.
Keep rocking.

Week	Band A	Band B
1—13.09.19-	Year 6	Year 5
2- 20.09.19-	Year 3	Year 2
3- 27.09.19-	Year 4	Year 5
4- 04.10.19-	Year 3	Year 6
5- 11.10.19-	Year 4	Year 2

Change to menu

Thursday 4th October is 'school census day', and lunch choices on that day impact on future funding for the school. Every child in Class 1 and 2 is entitled to a free school meal, and if they have one on census day the school will receive additional funding. To encourage as many of our pupils as possible to have a school meal on that day, we are swapping the menus on Monday 30th September and Thursday 4th October. We are hoping as many pupils as possible will be tempted by Mrs Smith's tasty, freshly home-made cheese and tomato or ham pizza, served with new potatoes, vegetables and choice from the salad bar. Fruit salad, jelly and ice cream is for dessert. Please consider this option to aid our funding.
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School Photographer

Wrates Photographers will be visiting school on Thursday 10th October at 1pm for the afternoon. He will stay after school until approximately 4pm to allow group photos with siblings. Sample pictures will be delivered to school and photos can then be purchased on-line.

Church Services

6th October 10.30 am. Elvington Church Harvest and family thanksgiving. Come and share in this informal service celebrating all that God gives us. 6th October 4 - 5.30 pm. Sutton Village Hall Family Event. Food, activities and worship run by the local churches. All welcome.

School Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Service will take place in church at 2.30 pm on Friday 11th October and is expected to be finished by 3.00 pm. We would be delighted if you could join us. As always your help in walking to the church is very welcome. We would appreciate if you could please arrive at school at 2.00 pm to support us walking down to church. Any donations will be gratefully received by Carecent. This year they are particularly needy of the following items:

Food:
Spam / Ham, Corned Beef, Sugar Baked beans, Tinned fruit Cereal Porridge oats, Squash / Cordial Pasteurised fruit juice, Biscuits

Toiletries:
Shower Gel, Shampoo, Baby Wipes, Razors, Roll-on Deodorant Toothbrushes, Toothpaste

Clothes:
Especially jeans and tracksuit bottoms and also gifts of new underwear please!

Superheroes!

The children in Key Stage 1 are loving the Superhero activities so far. On Monday 7th October Haley Patrick is visiting school to provide a Superhero Dance Workshop.

Monday 14th – Friday 18th October is Walk to School Week.

School Games Gold Award

Elvington School has, for the third consecutive year, achieved the Gold School Games Mark award for commitment, engagement and delivery of competitive school sport in 2018/2019.

After School Sports Activities

Please can we ask all parents to kindly inform a member of staff if their child would ordinarily be attending a club, but aren't that evening. Many thanks for your help with this matter.

Parent Volunteers.

Parent volunteers are really valued and welcomed into school. If you have any regular time during the week to help hear children read, particularly for Class 1, please contact class teachers.

City of York Hockey Club

City of York Hockey Club run beginners sessions on Friday nights from 6-7pm at Huntington School All Weather Pitch from September until March. The first few sessions are free and then it's £65 for the whole season. Click here for more information.
They are also running a course called Hockey Heroes for 5-8 year olds 9.15-10.15am Saturday mornings for 6 weeks starting 28th September. For more info click here.