#### **RESPECT**

Our Christian value for the first half term.



# Mr Buttery's Update

#### COVID-19

If your child has a positive COVID-19 diagnosis please inform the school using the following email address, as soon as you find out: <a href="mailto:head@elvingtonprimary.org.uk">head@elvingtonprimary.org.uk</a>. The aforementioned email address will be checked regularly - seven days a week and over half term. The school will always inform you as soon as we can if there has been a confirmed case within your child's bubble and if your son or daughter needs to isolate. However, we will never name the child/staff member who has tested positive.

We must all continue to be vigilant of COVID-19 symptoms: a new continuous cough, a high temperature or the loss of taste or smell. If a child, or any member of their household, has any of these symptoms, however mild, they must not come to school and should seek a test as soon as possible by calling 119 or visiting: <a href="www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/">www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/</a>.

### Parents' Evening

Thank you to all the parents and carers who made themselves available for our phone based Parents' Evening. I hope this provided you with an opportunity to discuss your child's initial progress this academic year. Following your appointment, if there is anything you would like to discuss with me, please call the school, or alternatively I can be reached by email: head@elvingtonprimary.org.uk.

#### Assessments 2020/2021

At the time of writing, the indication is that statutory assessments for this academic year will be taking place as planned. This includes Year 1 phonics screening; Year 2 SATs; Year 4 multiplication tables check and Year 6 SATs tests. Children in Year 2 are also required to complete a phonics screening check after October half term – more details will follow...

The staff agreed that the assessments that would usually take place in the first half of the Autumn Term, would be delayed until the second half of the term. This was to ensure that the children's return to school could be focused on learning rather than assessment. The assessments that will take place next half term will be used to identify gaps in learning and plan bespoke pupil support.

#### **Homework Questionnaires**

I would like to thank you for completing the homework questionnaire that was sent out earlier this term. I will provide you with an overview of the responses after half term.

We will continue to seek and value your views, as this enables lessons to be learned and approaches to be modified.

## **Half Term**

The staff at Elvington Church of England Primary School would like to thank you for your ongoing support this half term. I have been particularly impressed that our average attendance has been over 97% - this is above both local and national comparisons.

School will reopen on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. I hope you all have an enjoyable and safe half term...

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Andrew Buttery

"I have come in order that you may have life – life in all its fullness." John 10:10



Let's stay safe and keep protecting each other







nhs.uk/coronavirus















## Our Christian value for the first half term.



#### Golden Book

Class 1 – Lydia Brabbs Class 2 - Vienna Brazil Class 3 - Jack Povey Class 4 - Emily Williams Class 5 - Felix Westgarth



Band Winners: Year 5 Most valuable players Year 2 : George Handley Year 5 : Dylan Lloyd

Each child will receive an E-Certificate via Parent's/Carer's email address

> W.C. 02/11/2020 Week 2



## **Community News**

The Great Elvington Halloween Trail



Please visit the website

# **Bethany Feasby...**

...is bravely having her lovely locks cut off and very kindly donating 12 inches of hair to Little Princess Trust for children who lose their hair through cancer treatment. She wants to raise as much sponsorship as possible to help with the cost of making the wig. If any of her friends, teachers and their families want to sponsor her, please use the following link. https://justgiving.com/fundraising/Bethany-Feasby Well done Bethany.

### Children in Need

# Friday 13th November 2020

The theme this year is "children's mental wellbeing". Children can come to school wearing fancy dress, sports kit or anything non-uniform based, in exchange for making a donation to this wonderful charity.













## **Rock Star News**

This week, Elvington Primary School hosted the Times Table Knockout finals. The top 6 children in each year group battled against each other to find the speediest Rockstar. A huge congratulations to the winners in each year group.

Another big well done to all of the children who have taken part in the Knockout. Watch this space for more exciting Rockstar news after half term. Keep rocking!

Miss Palmer



# **PTA Sweet Sale**

A huge thank you to all the children who brought money in to buy sweets last Friday. We managed to raise £101 for the PTA, which will be spent on resources in school. Thank you for your continued support.

## Congratulations

A big well done to the School Council for winning 2<sup>nd</sup> prize in a competition entered before lockdown. The £500 cash prize was awarded by the Rotary Club. The Council successfully put forward a case for improving and extending the play area, to include a bark chip surface where tyres, logs and other natural resources can be used. In the future, they would like to add a summer house, raised beds and reflection area. This money will help kick start this project.













