

Elvington Primary School

Newsletter

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Message from Miss Collier

This half term we will be focusing on the Christian value of trust. Children will be learning about this value in our collective worship, throughout the curriculum and in class discussion.

With the warmer weather this week, the children have enjoyed having lunch outdoors and opportunities to play on the front field. An abundance of daisy chains have been made during break times. As you can imagine, they have loved this! Long may it continue. Please can we ask that you ensure your child has sun protection on for the school day and a named water bottle in school every day. Water bottles are available to buy from the school office for £1.50 or children can bring their own.

With no rain this week, it has also meant that our planned work in the Infant outdoor classroom has been completed. It looks great! With new grass flooring the children have made the most of working in their new and exciting outdoor learning environment.

With best wishes for a wonderful weekend.

Miss Collier

Working together, we can all achieve success

Message from the Governing Body

The governors would like to congratulate Miss Collier for successfully completing her Ofsted Inspector training in July 2017 and for undertaking in a number of varied school inspections since.

The training involved a lot of additional, out of school hours, for our already busy headteacher. We are confident that our school has greatly benefitted from the increased knowledge of the Ofsted framework and the inspection process. Inspections have also increased Miss Collier's exposure to best practice in schools beyond York Local Authority. All **this will greatly** benefit our school's future. The additional income generated for our school is also more than welcome when school budgets are so tight.

In her role as an Ofsted Inspector she will be required to be away for mandatory Ofsted training and school inspections. Inspections normally take one or two days and this will be infrequent. Miss Collier has done a considerable amount of work to enable this to happen without distracting from the effective management of the school, leaving the school in Miss Richard's very capable hands.

As Governors, we will continue to keep this arrangement under review.

Mr Bill Pigg

Vice-Chair of Governors

Mathletics

After recent consideration regarding the use of Mathletics across school, we have decided we need a new vitalising challenge! Although the children have enjoyed using Mathletics over the years, we feel that many families have lost the motivation and incentive to use the program to its full potential. Therefore, the current Mathletics subscription will cease on 27th April 2018.

As a staff, we have all aware of how important it is for the children to know their Multiplication tables confidently. Maths is a big subject and we appreciate there is more to it than times tables and there is more to times tables than learning them off by heart. However, a lot of rich and interesting maths is all about the multiplicative relationships and these are hard to fully grasp without fluent recall of the tables. For that reason, learning tables is fundamental-they are a key facilitator to the maths that sits on top.

During the summer term, we will introduce the children to a new exciting program that they can use both at home and school. Times Tables Rock stars is a carefully sequenced programme of daily times table practice. This format has been successful in boosting times table recall speed for pupils and comes highly recommended by colleagues from other schools. Further information will be sent out shortly.

I hope you will support these changes and that you will welcome the change positively.

Mrs N Granger

- Monday 7th May
School closed
- Monday 14th May
Year 6 SATs Begin
- Sunday 10th June
Summer Fete Maypole
- Friday 15th June 2:00pm
Fathers in School
- Wednesday 27th – Friday 29th June
Y5/Y6 Residential
- Tuesday 3rd July
Sports Day (Afternoon)
- Monday 9th July
Meet Your New Class
- Tuesday 10th July 6:00pm
Wed 11th July 2:00pm
Thursday 12th July 6:00pm
KS2 Play
- Monday 9th July am
Meet your new class
- Friday 13th July am
Meet Your New Class
School Reports
- Wednesday 18th July 2:30pm
EYFS Graduation
- Wednesday 18th July 5:00pm – 6:15pm
Class 1&2 PTA Disco
6:30pm – 7:45pm
Class 3,4& 5 PTA Disco
- Thursday 19th July 2:30pm
Leavers' Assembly
- Friday 20th July 2:30pm
Leavers' Church Service

Dates added or changed this week are shown in red

Golden Book

- Class 1 Emma Duncalf
- Class 2 Ella Lochhead
- Class 3 Ted Agutter
- Class 4 Danny Broster
- Class 5 Evie Southby
- Mathlete of the Week**
Abigail Venton
- Headteacher's Award**
Georgia Bojke

Sharing assemblies

Every Friday at 2:50pm.

- 20th April – Class 5
- 27th April – Class 4
- 4th May – Class 3
- 11th May – Class 2
- 18th May – Class 1



After School Clubs:

Summer Term, First Half
All clubs finish at **4:15pm**, with the exception of KS2 Cricket which finishes at **4:00pm** and Rainbows which finishes at **4:30pm**.

- Monday
KS1 Rugby
- Tuesday
Gardening Club
KS2 Tri Golf
Eco Club
- Wednesday
Athletics
KS2 Tennis
Rainbows
- Thursday
KS2 Rounders
- Friday
KS2 Dance Club



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Week 3

Reminder: Northumberland Residential

A reminder to all parents of Year 5 and 6 children that the final payment for Northumberland was due by Monday 9th April. Please can all outstanding payments be made via Parentpay as soon as possible. If you have any questions please contact the office.

