

# Elvington C of E Primary School Newsletter 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020



**Friendship**  
Our Christian value for this  
half term.



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[www.elvingtonprimary.org.uk](http://www.elvingtonprimary.org.uk)

## Mr Buttery's Update

### COVID-19

If your child has a positive COVID-19 diagnosis, or is having a test/required to self-isolate, please inform the school using the following email address, as soon as you find out: [head@elvingtonprimary.org.uk](mailto:head@elvingtonprimary.org.uk). The aforementioned email address will be checked regularly - seven days a week and over holidays. 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: [www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/).

### Christmas Arrangements

The necessary protective measures for schools mean that we are unable to hold our usual range of events, services and celebrations. We are determined, however, to celebrate Christmas and to enjoy events that comply with COVID-19 guidance for schools.

**Animated Objects Theatre Company** - On Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December the children will enjoy separate performances in their class bubbles. Precautions are in place to ensure that we will enjoy the Christmas performances, in the knowledge that Animated Objects will be delivering the activity safely for all involved.

**Christmas Lunch** - On Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December our kitchen team will be cooking a Christmas lunch for the children to enjoy in class bubbles. If you would like your child to have a Christmas Lunch please book this on Parentpay, in the usual way, by 8<sup>th</sup> December. If you have any problems with booking, please contact Mrs Greening. This will also be Christmas Jumper Day, children are invited to wear a Christmas Jumper or a bright coloured/sparkly top. Apart from the aforementioned, children should wear normal school uniform. There will be no donations collected within school, however, those of you wishing to make a donation could visit [www.christmasjumperday.org](http://www.christmasjumperday.org).

**Christmas Parties** - On Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December (Classes 3, 4 & 5) and Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December (Classes 1 & 2), the children are invited to come to school wearing their party clothes. They will have party games and fun activities within their class bubbles.

**Christmas Cards** - With COVID-19 restrictions in place, we will need to distribute Christmas Cards a little differently this year. I would like to request that from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020, children bring their Christmas Cards into school on the Monday and Tuesday of that week e.g. **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November, Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December, Monday 7<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December** etc. The last day to bring cards into school will be **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December**; cards will then be distributed weekly on a Friday. Could you please ensure that envelopes clearly show the recipient's full name and class; this will help us to deliver cards efficiently.



**Christmas Carols** - You will have received a letter, via email, detailing our plans to record individual class carols this Christmas. Could I please request that the slip is returned via email ([office@elvingtonprimary.org.uk](mailto:office@elvingtonprimary.org.uk)), by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November, at the latest – thank you. You can also access the letter by following this link: [www.elvingtonprimary.org.uk/general/christmas-carols](http://www.elvingtonprimary.org.uk/general/christmas-carols).

**Gifts for Staff** - The generosity of parents and carers at this time of year is always appreciated, although in no way expected. Any gifts sent into school will need to be quarantined. Therefore, we invite parents/carers who would like to send a gift into school to do so on either Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December or Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December



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



**HANDS**



**FACE**



**SPACE**

[nhs.uk/coronavirus](https://nhs.uk/coronavirus)





**Our Christian value for this half term.**



**Golden Book**  
**Class 1 – Polly Elson**  
**Class 2 – Erin McEwan-Wright**  
**Class 3 – Rebekah Miller-Preston**  
**Class 4 – Lorna Ellis**  
**Class 5 – Ria Power**



**Winning Band: Year 4 Battle Winners;**  
**Year 4: Archie Wilson**  
**Year 2: Seth McCaffrey**  
 Each child will receive an E-Certificate via Parent's/Carer's email address



### Christmas Diary Dates

**30<sup>th</sup> Nov/ 1<sup>st</sup> Dec –**  
 Christmas Post  
**2<sup>nd</sup> December –** Animated Objects  
**4<sup>th</sup> December –** KEY  
 Donations please  
**7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> December –**  
 Christmas Post  
**10<sup>th</sup> December –** Special Surprise  
**14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> December –**  
 Christmas Post  
**15<sup>th</sup> December –**  
 Christmas Lunch/ Jumper Day  
**16<sup>th</sup> December –** Key Stage 2 Christmas Parties  
**17<sup>th</sup> December –** Key Stage 1 Christmas Parties

**W.C. 30/11/2020**  
**Week 3**



## Tree Donation

We would like to say how extremely grateful we are to Ms Stroud (Creatives in the Attic) and Mr Hutchinson (Fields Garden Centre) for the wonderful donation of a Christmas Tree for our children to enjoy. Due to the effects of Covid, like many, the school has faced unprecedented financial challenges. Such acts of kindness assist us in providing well deserved treats for our school community.

<http://creativesintheattic.com/>

<https://www.fieldsgardencentre.co.uk/>



## Christmas Craft Day

Today, **Friday 27<sup>th</sup>**, is Christmas Craft Day! The children will be using their artistic talents and enjoying crafting in their class bubbles. Each child will create a decoration for the school Christmas Tree, which they will hang up next week when it arrives. The children will be able to take this home at the end of term to put on their own tree.



## Donations needed please.....

Elvington Primary PTA are asking pupils if they'd like to donate an item to the 'Kitchen for Everyone' Christmas Appeal. K.E.Y is a registered charity and provides food and other essential items to the homeless and vulnerable families in York. Please send your child to school with something from the list below on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December.**

For more information visit <https://kitchenforeveryoneyork.org/>  
 Tinned meat, tinned pies, tinned soup, tinned fruit. Rice, pasta, pot noodles. Tea, coffee, sugar, fruit squash. Cereal, chocolate. Nappies, wipes, toiletries, deodorant. Thermal hats and gloves. Please do not donate any fresh food items. Many thanks in advance for your contributions.



## Please help us to avoid missing uniform....

Please can we ask that all items of clothing, shoes and wellies that come into school, are clearly labelled. This doesn't have to be a personalised printed label, marker pen on the manufacturers label is equally effective.



## Message from Mrs Challis – Elvington Out of School Club

It has been amazing to re-open Elvington Out of School Club in the current situation. We are all enjoying the sessions immensely. As we approach Christmas time we have taken the decision to close for the holidays, to enable our staff to spend time with their families, meaning our last session will be 18<sup>th</sup> December. We will re-open on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January, Teacher Training day. Please me know if you would like to book this day and/ or any future sessions next term by calling or texting 07790 480229 or emailing [info@elvingtonoutofschoo.co.uk](mailto:info@elvingtonoutofschoo.co.uk) (not the school office) Please visit the website for further information.

