

# Elvington C of E Primary School Newsletter

## 19<sup>th</sup> March 2021



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



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### Mr. Buttery's Update

#### Running Track

As I am sure your children will have informed you, our artificial grass (all-weather) running circuit is now fully operational.

The track facilitates improved physical, social and emotional wellbeing – regardless of age or ability. Using the track is an enjoyable activity, wherein the children run or jog (at their own pace) in the fresh air with their friends. Children can occasionally walk to catch their breath, if necessary, however the aim is for them to run or jog for ten laps (this equates to 1 mile).



#### Summer Term

There has been little in the way of information from the Department for Education (DfE) about the coming months. We have been advised by the local authority, for the time being, not to book any educational visits and to only make very tentative plans for late June and July. Although the Government's plan is to lift restrictions on 21<sup>st</sup> June, this is only an indicative date and so much has to fall into place before that milestone is reached. After the Easter break we hope to have more details; I will then share with you our own provisional plan for the later stages of the Summer Term.



## School Based Extra-Curricular Activities

Please remember there will be no extra-curricular activities during the remainder of the Spring Term. This is in order to avoid pupils mixing beyond their class bubble. As we undertake further risk assessment exercises (during the first half of the Summer Term) we will keep you updated as to when clubs can safely resume.

## Healthy Snacks

The school operates a healthy snacks policy whereby children choosing to bring a snack for break time should choose fresh fruit or vegetables. Children have been bringing Bear Pure Fruit Yo Yos into school, these are permitted. However, an increasing number of children are bringing predominantly chocolate based snacks into school. I would like to politely request that this stops.

The Foundation and KS1 children receive fruit and vegetables, offered under the Government initiative to provide all infants with free fruit and vegetables during the day.

## 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-covid19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/).

Yours sincerely,



Mr. Andrew Buttery

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

## Golden Book

Class 1 Hedgehogs – Jett Allen  
Class 2 Bears – Sophie Rowntree  
Class 3 Bats – Tabitha Wright  
Class 4 Foxes – Noah Bates  
Class 5 Owls – Lucas Newlove, Ria Power



## Times Table Rockstars

Winning Band: Year 2

Battle Winners;  
Year 2: Seth McCaffrey  
Year 3: Thomas Skelton



## Elvington PTA- Sweetie Friday!

The EYFS and KS1 team would like to thank the PTA for providing them with a new shed to store outdoor resources. We are thankful for their fundraising and support.

On **Friday 26th March**, the PTA will be selling bags of yummy sweets to raise funds. The bags will cost £1, limited to one per child. The sweet bags will be packed in line with government guidance. If your child would like to buy a bag of sweets to enjoy after school next Friday, please send them to school with the money in an envelope or money bag. This will then be passed straight on to the PTA. **Due to the risk of cross contamination at this time, we are unable to collect loose coins.**

Thank you for your support.







## Elvington Scout Group – Daffodil Sale

Mrs Stead and Mrs Wedgewood kindly do an annual 'Door to Door Daffodil Sale', to raise much needed funds for the Elvington Scout Group. Sadly, due to COVID-19 restrictions, this can't take place this year. Instead, they are hoping to sell them from the gates of houses in and around Elvington. On **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March**, there will be a bucket of daffodils outside the school gate. An honesty box will be provided with the suggested donation of £1. You can also donate using the following link:

<https://gofundme.com/f/z3v36-fix-our-roof>

Money raised will assist in the repair of the Scout Hut roof.

## Other news.....

On the 17th July Britain's Got Talent finalist Steve Royle has agreed to do two, one hour family shows at Elvington Village Hall in aid of the Elvington Under 5's .

Tickets are £10 or £35 for a family of 4.

Tickets for the 12pm show are at:

[www.wegotickets.com/event/508964](http://www.wegotickets.com/event/508964)

Tickets for the 1.30pm show at:

[www.wegotickets.com/event/598966](http://www.wegotickets.com/event/598966)



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<https://www.icanplaytennis.net/camps/>



## EASTER

We are looking at the possibility of opening Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April and Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> April – Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> April, if numbers are sufficient. Please let me know as soon as possible if you require a holiday place, so staffing decisions can be made. Bookings can be made by email [info@elvingtonoutofschool.co.uk](mailto:info@elvingtonoutofschool.co.uk) or by calling 07790 480229 (Please text or leave a message when there is no reply, this will always be picked up by 3pm). **Please note this is an independent organisation, bookings cannot be made via the school.**

Thanks, Sue Challis



Some children will be really happy to be back at school with their friends this week, whereas others will be finding it very difficult, but all of them will need lots of help and support from their parents.

The short courses we run give parents the opportunity to meet other parents and find out that they are not alone; to think about what they are doing with their children; and, in the light of the course material and ideas from other parents, decide if they want to make any changes.

The following courses are starting after Easter: **Handling Anger in the Family**, **Time Out for Parents** - the Teenage Years, **Time Out for Parents** - the Primary Years, **Time Out for Dads**, **Separated Parents**.

To book a place or for further information please contact: Helen Atkinson on 07393 147259 email [helenatkinson@fmy.org.uk](mailto:helenatkinson@fmy.org.uk)



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## Elvington Harriers under 7's Need

Calling all budding footballers out there, if you are 6 or under and want to have a whole lot of fun with some football thrown in why not pop along to Elvington sports field on the 3rd April. Boys and girls of all abilities are very welcome.

If you would like more information, please contact Joe on 07986 127066 or via email: [birney1975@gmail.com](mailto:birney1975@gmail.com)

