

Elvington C of E Primary School Newsletter

23rd April 2021



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Our Christian value for this
half term.



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Mr. Buttery's Update

Before and After School Clubs

This academic year we have not been able to hold our usual programme of before and after school clubs. Unfortunately, although both national and local levels have reduced substantially, COVID-19 is still a sizeable factor, which has resulted in recent bubble closures in the York area.

We want to do our utmost to prevent any potential spread of the virus, which could then impact on a larger number of children than necessary. The children have missed many days in school this past year, so our primary aim is to ensure the children can attend school as often as possible for as long as possible. As a result, we will not be reintroducing before or after school clubs until the second half of the summer term (at the earliest).

Please remember that our Breakfast Club is available daily from between 7.45am and 8.45am. This will continue to be held in a partitioned hall (to maintain the integrity of teaching bubbles).

Term Dates 2021-2022

The following are the recommended term dates provided by City of York Council for schools in the City of York area for the academic year 2021-2022. In addition, all schools will also be closed to pupils for a further 5 School Training/Professional Development Days.

Term	Starts	Ends
Autumn 2021 - first half term	Monday 6th September 2021	Friday 22 October 2021
Autumn 2021 - second half term	Monday 1st November 2021	Friday 17th December 2021
Spring 2022 - first half term	Tuesday 4th January 2022	Friday 18th February 2022
Spring 2022 - second half term	Monday 28th February 2022	Friday 8th April 2022
Summer 2022 - first half term	Monday 25th April 2022	Friday 27th May 2022
Summer 2022 - second half term	Monday 6th June 2022	Monday 25th July 2022



2021-2022 Training Days and Bank Holiday Closures

- Monday 6th September 2021
- Tuesday 4th January 2022
- Friday 8th April 2022
- Early May Bank Holiday – Monday 2nd May 2022
- Friday 27th May 2022
- Monday 25th July 2022

A comprehensive overview of Elvington's term dates can be located at: www.elvingtonprimary.org.uk/parents-carers/term-dates

Ventilation

Windows and classroom doors (internal and external) will continue to be left open as much as possible to aid ventilation. Elvington's teachers are planning lots of outdoor learning activities; therefore it is essential that the children come suitably dressed for all weather possibilities. I know that despite the sunshine this week, some children (especially girls in summer style dresses) have been feeling the cold.

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. 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/.

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 – Katie Bainbridge
Class 2 Bears – Anika De Kock
Class 3 Bats – Patrick Brazil
Class 4 Foxes – Emily Bainbridge
Class 5 Owls – Harvey Lawn & Max Rickard



Battle of the Bands is back!....



Week	Band A	Band B
2. 26 th April	Times Table Knockout Whole school Competition	
3. 30 th April – 5 th May	Year 4	Year 5
4. 7 th – 13 th May	Year 2	Year 4
5. 14 th – 20 th May	Year 5	Year 6

Maths Day

A huge thank you to all our parents and carers for the fantastic effort put into the children's outfits for our Maths Day. The children all looked amazing as mini rockstars!

We had a day full of Maths fun! Your child will now have a login for MyMaths and additional information about MyMaths has been sent home this week.

Finally, we would like to say congratulations to the following winners of our design a rockstar art competition that took place on the day. Check out their awesome Rockstar characters in the picture.

Miss Palmer.

Class 1- 1st Ayla Moran, 2nd Katie Bainbridge, 3rd Lydia Brabbs

Class 2- 1st Freya Corps, 2nd Evie Senior, 3rd Emily Owen

Class 3- 1st Rosie Fogg, 2nd Ava Westgarth, 3rd Max Garland

Class 4- 1st Eva Foster, 2nd Alice Green, 3rd Jacob Duncalf

Class 5- 1st Hattie Wells, 2nd Maya Brackenbury, 3rd Dylan Lloyd



Big Pedal 2021



We are taking part in Sustrans Big Pedal 2021, the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. The challenge runs from **19 April to 30 April**. It's free and we would love everyone to be involved.

We would like to encourage your child/ren to take active journeys to school on as many days as possible during the event, and join them on their way. You can scooter, cycle or walk. If you have to travel by car because of where you live, you could always park a short distance away from school to still take part.

Sustrans Big Pedal is a great way to get children active, which is important for physical health and mental wellbeing. Active school runs also help to reduce congestion and air pollution outside the school gate.

Covid-19 has made active travel to school is even more important. The Department for Education have said encouraging active travel to school helps "to enable pupils to be physically active while encouraging physical distancing."

Other news...

Elvington Scout Group – Daffodil Sale

Mrs Stead and Mrs Wedgewood would like to say a huge thank you to all who supported their fundraising, by buying daffodils. A **HUGE £1259.20** was raised in total. It is estimated that the roof will cost a massive £25,000. Donations can be made at any time, all extremely gratefully received.

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





There are still places available on the following courses
starting soon:

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

or you can find more information about our courses on
our website <https://fmy.org.uk/parenting/>

You can also follow us on Facebook, Twitter and
Instagram.



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<https://mailchi.mp/yorklearning.org.uk/free-opportunities-to-a-gain-a-qualification?e=8221850ff>

Elvington Out of School Club

Bookings can be made by email info@elvingtonoutofschooll.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



Cricket is back from Friday
16th April at 6 -7.30pm

Woodhouse Grange CC is your local club offering fantastic opportunities for children to play cricket. Find us at Sandhill Lane YO41 4DF or www.woodhousegrangecc.co.uk

Qualified coaches provide a vibrant and fun environment for children of all ages to play cricket. We have age group teams at;

U9s, U11s, U13s and U15s

Plus the popular ECB schemes; All Stars (5-8 year olds) and Dynamos (9-11 year olds)

