

Thankfulness Our Christian value for this half term.



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Mr. Buttery's Update

Today will be a day of mixed emotions as we are saying goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 pupils. They are an amazing group of young people with a huge range of talents, and I know that they will go on to further success in their high schools. A leavers' video link was sent via email, to the parents/carers of Year 6 children earlier this week. Please can I remind everyone that the video should not appear on social media or be shared more widely. Thank you for your cooperation.

The last academic year has resulted in unprecedented challenges across all aspects of society. Throughout the aforementioned period my staff team have shown commitment, resilience, generosity and good humour. I could not be more proud of them, nor more honoured to lead them. Whatever the guidance that has been received; whatever the new demands placed on them, they have risen to it, adapted their practice and maintained high standards of pedagogy. Without exception they have worked creatively and without hesitation to ensure that the needs of our school community have been met; that all children could continue their education; that our school is a safe place to learn/teach; that parents/carers have been supported and our vulnerable children protected.

Understandably, parents/carers have faced enormous pressures to do their very best for their loved ones – to keep them safe, in good health and support their education. Home schooling is incredibly challenging; especially when you are attempting to juggle your own work commitments. The shifting sands of home learning can be exhausting and overwhelming, however, I am hugely appreciative of all the support you have provided during these challenging times. A great deal of what we do in school cannot be achieved without you and your co-operation and backing.

I would also like to thank the children for their hard work, adaptability and perseverance; as well as the Governors for their continued support of the school and our pupils.

You have received information about how our school will operate in September:

www.elvingtonprimary.org.uk/general/schools-covid-19-operational-guidance. I would urge you to read this carefully and consider the implications for your child/children. I will of course monitor any new guidance throughout the summer holidays and make you aware of any changes, should they occur. If you have any questions please contact me via email: head@elvingtonprimary.org.uk

Staff News

I know you will all join us in wishing Miss. Palmer well as she starts her maternity leave. I will let you know when Charlotte's baby is born...

We are also saying goodbye to Mrs. Harvie today. Christine will be sadly missed by everyone associated with our school. I am sure you will join us in wishing her all the best, when she relocates to the North East over the summer. Mrs. Saddler will also be leaving us today, after doing such a wonderful job covering Miss. Palmer's third trimester.

I am pleased to inform you of three exceptionally strong additions to Elvington's staff team from September:

- Miss. Miles will be covering PPA and Subject Leader time (Mrs. Marjoram's previous Thursday afternoon and Friday role). Sarah is a talented and inspiring teacher with a Master's in Education.













- Miss. Croasdale will be working as a Teaching Assistant in Class Two. Juliette will also provide ELSA support. In addition, she is a qualified teacher.
- Mrs. Leach will be supporting children on a 1 to 1 or small group basis, and has extensive primary experience.

The staff would like to wish all the children, parents/cares and members of the parish a very happy summer holiday. Thank you to everyone for their support this year and generous staff gifts.

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 until **Sunday 25th July**, after this date will not be required to inform me of a positive case. 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 all its fullness." John 10:10



Clean Air Outside School

What can you do to improve air quality outside school?

Vehicle idling is an offence and an unnecessary source of air pollution. It damages the health of children and unborn babies. If you drive to school please help improve air quality by switching off your engine whenever you are waiting, and politely remind others to do the same.

Many thanks for your cooperation.

There is lots more information about air quality and how to improve it on the Clean Air Day website: https://www.cleanairday.org.uk/free-resources















Please let's start next term 'all labelled up!'

It would be wonderful if all the children could start the new term with all their possessions labelled.

A lot of the school day can often be wasted by looking for belongings, please help us optimise the time your child is in school by clearly labelling anything coming on site. Online companies offer many different variations, iron-in, sew-in and stick-on, for less than £3. If this is not possible, please use a permanent marker or biro to put initials on labels.

Many thanks for your assistance in this matter.

PTA FUNDRAISING

Elvington Fete

The sun shone brightly at the Fete last Sunday and the amazing members of the PTA raised a whopping £351.65

This was a combination of the raffle, sweet stall, face painting, and the school S.T.A.R. Shop sales on the day.

A huge thank you to them and everyone who supported them on the day.

All proceeds from the event will be used to assist pay for additional fun and educational resources/visits for the children.























Other news...



Elvington Out of School Club

We are closed for two weeks of the summer break, weeks commencing 2nd and 9th August. For the remaining weeks we will be exploring the outdoors, enjoying sport, games and craft activities. Bookings can be made by email info@elvingtonoutofschool.co.uk or by calling 07790 480229. (Please text or leave a message when there is no reply.)

Sessions must be booked to enable us to staff appropriately.

See you there!

Thanks, Sue Challis



















Marie Curie are aware of the typo!

Is your child starting school in September 2021?

This 4-session workshop is perfect for them!

ightharpoonup Fun, high-energy and interactive classes which will give little ones a gentle introduction to the sounds from Autumn term in Reception

Robot Reg will show them how to blend and segment the sounds, through games and activities -not a worksheet in sight!

A great way to learn about phonics together whilst giving a little confidence boost ready for their first term.

all resources provided, including a take home pack each week with follow up ideas

Run by a qualified teacher (and mum!)



Where: Clifton Moor Church & community Centre

When: 27th,29th July & 3rd, 5th August

9.30am-10.30am

Cost: £32

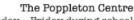
Online version also available

Contact Sam: Email: sam@robotreg.co.uk or book on at www.robot reg.co.uk/pages/york





A full 5 day program of drama & crafts, which will finish with a short performance devised by the children taking part.



Monday - Friday during school holidays, 9.30am to 4.30pm

£125 for 5 full days of learning, creativity and confidence boosting.













