

# Elvington C of E Primary School Newsletter 22nd October 2021



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



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## Mr. Buttery's Update

### Parents' Evenings

Thank you to all the parents and carers who made themselves available for our Parents' Evenings. I hope this provided you with an opportunity to discuss your child's initial progress this academic year.

Following your appointment, if there is anything you would like to discuss with me, please call the school, or alternatively I can be reached by email: [head@elvingtonprimary.org.uk](mailto:head@elvingtonprimary.org.uk).

### Assessments 2021/2022

At the time of writing, the indication is that statutory assessments for this academic year will be taking place as planned. This includes Year 1 phonics screening; Year 2 SATs; Year 4 multiplication tables check and Year 6 SATs tests. Children in Year 2 are also required to complete a phonics screening check after October half term – more details will follow...

The staff agreed that the assessments that would usually take place in the first half of the Autumn Term, would be delayed until the second half of the term. This was to ensure that the children's return to school could be focused on learning rather than assessment. The assessments that will take place next half term will be used to identify gaps in learning and plan bespoke pupil support.

### Half Term

The staff at Elvington Church of England Primary School would like to thank you for your ongoing support this half term. I have been particularly impressed that our average attendance has been over 95% - this is above both local and national comparisons.

School will reopen on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November. I hope you all have an enjoyable and safe half term...

### 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 (including weekends).

From 16<sup>th</sup> August 2021, children under the age of 18 years old will no longer be required to self-isolate if they are contacted by NHS Test and Trace as a close contact of a positive COVID-19 case. Instead, children will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace, informed they have been in close contact with a positive case and advised to take a PCR test.

Pupils who have had a PCR test cannot return to school until they have a negative test result or have completed the required isolation time. Please note that a rapid-result lateral flow device (LFD) test will not be accepted, as these are not recommended for primary age pupils.



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/](http://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*



A big thank you and best wishes to Mrs Ellis, whose last day it is at Elvington Primary School today. Mrs Ellis has worked at Breakfast Club for over 5 years and has also been a Midday Supervisor. She will be missed by staff and children alike.

### Golden Book

**Class 1 Hedgehogs** – Leonard Tapsell

**Class 2 Bears** – Lance King

**Class 3 Bats** – Max Garland

**Class 4 Foxes** – Charlotte Senior

**Class 5 Owls** – Jacob Duncalf



## A Big Draw to Remember



23<sup>rd</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>  
October





@YorkArmyMuseum

Come join in our 'Big Draw' for Remembrance Day 2021.


We've a huge canvas for people to doodle and draw memories, reflections and words of respect. Add a poppy, be inspired by our display and archive or something else.

 [yorkarmymuseum.co.uk](http://yorkarmymuseum.co.uk)  
 01904 461010  3 Tower St, York YO1 9SB


**YORK ARMY MUSEUM**

## Doodle a Poppy


1. draw a circle, fill it black.




2. add a shape like an eight that doesn't meet!




3. Squiggle some joined up - G's -




4. Shadow and add a stem




5. Colour ~Red~



6. Next a word # Remember



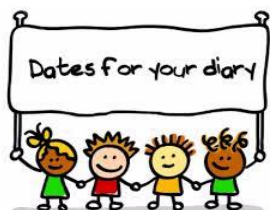
7. Snap & Post # Remember @YorkArmyMuseum







## STOLEN STAINED GLASS



As part of the Big Draw Festival in York over the Half-Term Holiday Alun Kirby will be at All Saints North Street, 10am-4pm 23 October, encouraging everyone to come together and help create a temporary stained glass window from paper to display in the museum. The story of the window will be developed with participants, based on the theft of stained glass from the church in October 1842. This is aimed at children and their carers but all are welcome. The challenge is to complete the project over the course of the day.



**New dates appear in red– Parents' Evening.**

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** – Last day of Autumn 1 term.

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November** – First Day Autumn 2 term.

**Deadline for Christmas Designs** to be handed in to school.

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November** – Anti Bullying Week.

Odd Socks Day and **Sock Puppet Competition**

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November** – Children in Need.

Pudsey Activity Morning.

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December** – Christmas Post starts.



## Christmas Design Project

We have an exciting Christmas Design Project which will solve your Christmas Gift worries, whilst raising money for the PTA.

The PTA supports the school by raising money to enhance, enrich and improve learning experiences and opportunities for the children.

You should now all be in receipt of an A4 sheet of paper on which to create a Christmas design, along with an order form to order a range of products. The Christmas designs can be professionally printed and purchased on a range of products including Cards, Tags, Wrapping Paper and Gift Mugs.

Please see Cauliflower Cards [website](#). If you need inspiration for art ideas - check out their [online gallery](#) and download the [Arts Ideas Book](#) pdf

**DESIGNS MUST BE RETURNED MONDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER – THANK YOU**



**Autumn 1:** Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

**Autumn 2:** Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December

**Spring 1:** Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February

**Spring 2:** Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April

**Summer 1:** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May

**Summer 2:** Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

### 2021-2022 Training Days and Bank Holiday Closures

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Early May Bank Holiday –

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022

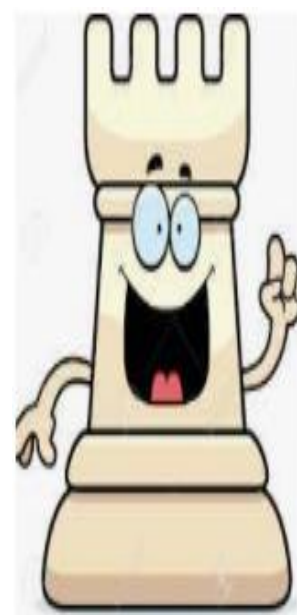
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022

## Chess Club

We are delighted to let you know we have a lunchtime Chess Club starting on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November for Key Stage 2 pupils. This will be taken by Mr Noel Stewart, who runs clubs at Bootham Junior School and Lord Deramore's.

There will be 6 sessions throughout the next half term which are £3 each per child, payable at the start of the term. Cheques should be made payable to Mr N Stuart, cash and cheques should be brought to school in a sealed envelope, with the name of the child attending marked clearly on the front.

**If you would like your child to attend please notify Mrs Greening as soon as possible, if you have not already done so.**





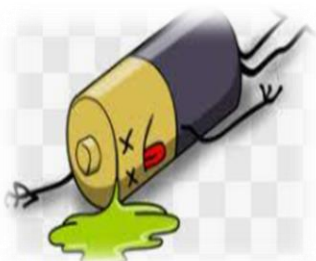
**Please ensure all  
your child's  
belongings are  
clearly labelled with  
their name.**

WC 01/11/21



Week 2 [Menu](#)

**We recycle batteries**



Why is recycling batteries so important? ... When batteries begin to rot away in landfill sites the chemicals leak into the ground, which causes soil and water pollution. When chemicals contaminate soil and water animals, humans and the environment are harmed.

**Class 3** – Today, Friday 22nd October, the children will need to have a coat and trousers, suitable for outside learning, and also have wellies in school please. We hope to be den building, gardening & eating apple crumble!

Mrs Granger

### Anti-Bullying Week

Anti-bullying week takes place 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> November 2021. The week will begin with Odd Socks Day which is supported by CBBC and CBeebies star Andy Day and his band Andy and the Odd Socks. If you would like to take part, please come to school in your 'oddest odd socks'!

There will also be a **Sock Puppet Competition** with prizes for each class judged by School Council. Please bring in your entries on or before Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November.



### Children in Need – Pudsey Activity Morning

Wear your PJs, your Onesies or your Spottiest Clothes and **enter the Gamezone** on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November to support Children in Need. Year 6 will be running games and activities, with small prizes, between 9.30 am and 11.30 am.

Please give a voluntary, suggested, donation of £2 to support the charity using this [link](#).

### STAR – Second Time Around Uniform

The PTA has a selling site for donations of good quality used uniform.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/486417165800086/?ref=share>

Thank you in advance to everyone who may donate or consider buying from the site.



### Elvington Out of School Club

Half term opening hours are 8.00 am – 6.00 pm Monday to Friday. 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). **Please note this is an independent organisation, bookings cannot be made via the school.**

Thanks, Sue Challis





Elvington Under Fives

Halloween Disco

With DJ Ollie

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October

Elvington Village Hall

6.00p.m. - 8.00p.m.

Elvington Village Hall

lots of spooky fun and games

fancy dress competition

Tickets £4.00 each for adults and for children

Children must be accompanied by an adult

Refreshments on sale

Tickets available from preschool or toddlers

Ring or Text Elaine to pre-book tickets

07940532315



Elvington Scout Group Annual Bonfire - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Elvington Scout Hut, Wheldrake Lane

Gates open at 18:15, Bonfire lit at 18:30, Fireworks at 19:00

Bar, BBQ, Hot Food, Tuck Shop. Entry by donation of a large firework

No parking on site or in The Conifers – please come by foot or park responsibly nearby.

No disabled parking on site as we need to leave access for emergency services (if required).



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We have all been affected by the pandemic and many families are still feeling the after-effects as life gets back to a sort-of normal. The one thing parents say most about coming on a parenting course is, "I thought it was only my family but now I know that others are going through the same thing." It can be so helpful to hear of other parent's experiences and know that you are not alone. We have six courses starting after half term, some online and some in person. They are as follows:

**Handling Anger in the Family**

**Time out for Parents – The Teenage Years**

**Time Out for Parents – Children with Additional Needs**

**Time Out for Dads**

**Couple to Couple Mentoring**

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

