

# Elvington C of E Primary School Newsletter 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021



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Our Christian value for this  
half term.



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## Mr. Buttery's Update

### Provisional Christmas Arrangements

#### Christmas Cards

With COVID-19 mitigations in place, we will once again need to distribute Christmas Cards a little differently this year. I would like to request that from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2021, children bring their Christmas Cards into school on the Monday and Tuesday of that week e.g. Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November, Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November, Monday 6<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December etc. The last day to bring cards into school will be Tuesday 14<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.

#### Nativity Performance

Unfortunately it will not be possible to invite parents/carers to watch a live performance of The Big Little Nativity. However, we will record the nativity and create an unlisted YouTube link; this will only allow those people with the link to view the video. Hopefully this will spread some much-needed festive cheer and enable you to share the performance with relatives who could have struggled to attend in person.

A letter containing additional details will be sent out to parents/carers of children in classes 1 and 2 next week...



#### 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 26<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-2](http://www.elvingtonprimary.org.uk/general/christmas-carols-2)

#### Assessment Dates 2021-22

Please see the information below; if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch...

#### Year 2 Phonics Screening Check

The nationally postponed Year 2 Phonics Screening Check will take place at Elvington on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021. In line with DfE expectations, we will administer a past version of the phonics screening check to all year 2 pupils.

#### Key Stage Two SATs (Year 6)

Date	Activity
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	English reading
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Mathematics papers 1 and 2
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Mathematics paper 3



## Key Stage One SATs (Year 2)

During week commencing Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022, children in Year 2 will complete assessments in the following:

- Reading
- English grammar, punctuation and spelling
- Maths

Unlike the KS2 SATs, these tests are not strictly timed as the ability to work at speed is not assessed.

Teachers will have the option to stop the test at any point that they feel is appropriate for a particular child.

The results are used by teachers and schools as a way to check against national averages, measuring what has been understood and retained by each child.

## Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

In June 2022, the new Year 4 multiplication tables check will become statutory. The check will be administered within the 3-week period from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

The multiplication tables check is an online test for pupils in Year 4. Pupils are asked to answer 25 questions on times tables from two to 12. They are given six seconds per question, with three seconds rest between each question, so the test should last less than five minutes.

Questions about the six, seven, eight, nine, and 12 times tables are likely to come up most often, as these are the hardest for most children to learn. It's a good idea to focus on these tricky times tables with your child.

## Phonics Screening Check

The '2022 Phonics Screening Check' will be taken by all state run primary schools in England in the week commencing Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

The check (otherwise known as the "Year 1 Phonics Screening" or "Phonics Test") is a short phonics assessment initially for children in Year 1. If however, a child does not obtain the expected score of

32 out of 40 (previous academic year expected score), they will be required to take the assessment again as a Year 2.

More information and support materials can be found at:

[www.phonicsbloom.com/uk/article/phonics-screening-check](http://www.phonicsbloom.com/uk/article/phonics-screening-check)

## 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,



. Andrew Buttery

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





## Golden Book

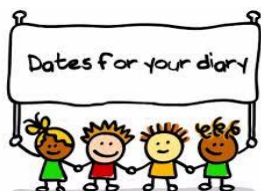
**Class 1 Hedgehogs** – Jett Allen

**Class 2 Bears** – Oliver Hartley-Bonner

**Class 3 Bats** – Felicity Bowyer

**Class 4 Foxes** – Hugh Agutter

**Class 5 Owls** – Edith Taylor



**New dates appear in red**

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November** –

Anti Bullying Week.

Odd Socks Day and Sock Puppet Competition

**Box to be fit – Class 4 & 5**

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November** –

Children in Need.

Pudsey Activity Morning.

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November** – PTA

Annual Meeting

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November** – 'Catch up' photographs

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December** –

Christmas Post starts.

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – Flu

Vaccinations

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December - Fizzy

Finn finds his Feet

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December –

Christmas Dinner



**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**

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



## 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'!

## DON'T FORGET: Sock Puppet Competition

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](#).

## PTA Annual Meeting

Elvington's PTA (Parent Teacher Association) will be holding an annual meeting on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 4.00pm. This will be held via 'Google Meet'. If you would like to join, please email [head@elvingtonprimary.org.uk](mailto:head@elvingtonprimary.org.uk) for the relevant joining information.

Despite not being able to meet up in person, it is the chance to be part of a friendly team who relish the opportunity to plan and discuss fundraising ideas.

Due to the ongoing impact of COVID-19 the school is under considerable financial pressure; funds raised will ensure we can remain consistent in providing the children of Elvington with educational resources to enhance their learning and holistic development.



**I would love to reunite this Next, black, size 2, right shoe with its partner!**

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





## Menu

Our exciting new menu starts next week offering a Sandwich and Jacket Potato option alongside two main dishes.

Please note these options are not available each Wednesday.

WC 15/11/21



Week 1

Please check out our new [menu](#)



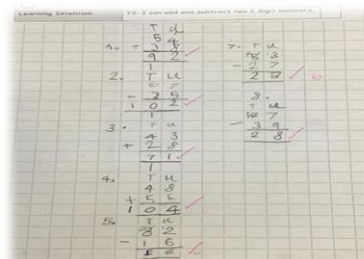
At Elvington Church of England Primary School, we have our own news team, 'The Roving Reporters'. The team is made up of children from School Council. The Roving Reporter's articles will be included in our weekly newsletter.



EYFS have been looking at the number 3 and learning about 3 o'clock. Year 1's have begun bar modelling to help support calculations.



Class 2 have been counting in twos and learning how to subtract formally.



We recycle pens/felt tips



Class 3 have been working on formal methods of multiplication and division. We made factor pairs rainbows to help us with times table facts.



## Protecting Children against Influenza (Flu) and Complications

Why is recycling pens so important? Plastic pens end up in landfills and as litter. Some of this plastic waste makes its way to our waterways, where it breaks down into microplastics, polluting our water and harming ocean life.

The **nasal influenza** vaccination is being offered to all children in Reception-Year 11. The team is scheduled to visit Elvington C of E Primary School, 2<sup>nd</sup> December. If you would like your child to receive this immunisation in school, please ensure your consent form has been submitted. **School are unable to give consent on your behalf.**

Please see below for details of how to consent for your child.

### How do I give my consent?

1. Go to <https://www.hdft.nhs.uk/fluconsent/>
2. Enter the School Code **121531** and click "Find School".
3. **Complete the form** with your child's information and





## Elvington Out of School Club

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.**

**I WILL NOT BE OPENING OVER THIS CHRISTMAS BREAK**

Thanks. Sue Challis

## 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 website: <https://www.cleanairday.org.uk/free-resources>



## Christingle Service Elvington & Sutton on Derwent

We are delighted to invite you to our 'green' Christingle service at St. Michael and All Angels Church, Sutton on Derwent on 5<sup>th</sup> December at 4pm. Please come wearing something green and if possible bring something red to wrap around the orange that can be reused or recycled.

