

Elvington C of E Primary School Newsletter 19th November 2021



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Mr. Buttery's Update

Christmas Arrangements

Decorating our Christmas Tree - Children throughout school will be busy making a personalised Christmas decoration next week. Each child will then add their decorations to our Christmas Tree on Wednesday 1st December.

Riding Lights Theatre Company – On Thursday 9th December, the children will enjoy a performance of Fizzy Finn Finds His Feet (<https://ridinglights.org/fizzy-finn/>). Precautions are in place to ensure that we will enjoy the Christmas performance, in the knowledge that Riding Lights will be delivering the activity safely for all involved.

Christmas Lunch - On Tuesday 14th December our kitchen team will be cooking a Christmas lunch for the children to enjoy. If you would like your child to have a Christmas lunch and they do not usually have a school meal, you will shortly be sent further information about how to book this. This will also be Christmas Jumper Day and children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper. Children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper (or a bright coloured/sparkly top). Apart from the aforementioned, children should wear normal school uniform. There will be no donations collected within school, however, those of you wishing to make a donation could visit www.christmasjumperday.org.

Christmas Parties - On Wednesday 15th December, the children are invited to come to school wearing their party clothes. They will have party games and other fun activities.

Holy Trinity Church – Our proposed date to visit Holy Trinity Church is Friday 17th December. Unfortunately, given the mitigations we have in place, it is highly unlikely that parents/carers will be invited to attend this event.

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 29th November 2021, children bring their Christmas Cards into school on the Monday and Tuesday of that week e.g. Monday 29th November, Tuesday 30th November, Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th December etc. The last day to bring cards into school will be Tuesday 14th 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.

The Big Little Nativity - As you will now be aware, unfortunately it will not be possible to invite parents/carers to watch a live performance of The Big Little Nativity (COVID-19 mitigations). However, to ensure you and your relatives do not miss out on this festive treat, the performance will be recorded. If you **would not** like your child to be part of the aforementioned recording please email Mrs. Greening (office@elvingtonprimary.org.uk), by Friday 19th November, at the latest.



Christmas Carols - You will have received a letter, via email, detailing our plans to record individual Christmas. If you **would not** like your child to be part of the aforementioned recording please email Mrs. Greening (office@elvingtonprimary.org.uk), by Friday 26th November, at the latest.



Year 2 Phonics Screening Check

The nationally postponed Year 2 Phonics Screening Check will take place at Elvington on Tuesday 30th November 2021. In line with DfE expectations, we will administer a past version of the phonics screening check to all Year 2 pupils. More information and support materials can be found at:

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. The aforementioned email address will be checked regularly (including weekends).

From 16th 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/.

Yours Sincerely,



Andrew Buttery

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

Protecting Children against Influenza (Flu) and Complications

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, 2nd December. If you would like your child to receive this immunisation in school, please ensure your consent form has been submitted by 26th November. **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?

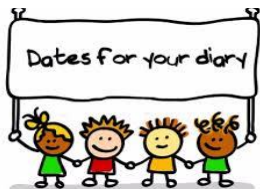
1. Go to <https://www.hdft.nhs.uk/fluconsent/>
2. Enter the School Code **121531** and click **"Find School"**.
3. **Complete the form** with your child's information and parent/guardian contact information*.
4. Click the **green "Submit" button**.





Golden Book

- Class 1 Hedgehogs** – Caspar Mosley
Class 2 Bears – Polly Elson
Class 3 Bats – Emma Duncalf
Class 4 Foxes – Thomas King
Class 5 Owls – Harvy Lawn



New dates appear in red

- Friday 19th November** – Children in Need.
 Pudsey Activity Morning.
Monday 22nd November - PTA Annual Meeting
Friday 26th November – 'Catch up' photographs
Monday 1st December – Christmas Post starts.
Decorate the Christmas Tree
 Thursday 2nd December – Flu Vaccinations
 Thursday 9th December - Fizzy Finn finds his Feet
 Tuesday 14th December – Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 15th December - Christmas Parties
Friday 17th December - Church Visit



- Autumn 2:** Monday 1st November – Friday 17th December
Spring 1: Wednesday 5th January – Friday 8th February
Spring 2: Monday 28th February – Thursday 7th April
Summer 1: Monday 25th April – Thursday 26th May
Summer 2: Monday 6th June – Friday 22nd July

2021-2022 Training Days and Bank Holiday Closures

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



Anti-Bullying Week

Anti-bullying week has been taking place this week and started with odd sock day! This is supported by CBBC and CBeebies star Andy Day and his band Andy and the Odd Socks.

All the classes have discussed the importance of being kind and considerate to one another.

Children in Need – Pudsey Activity Morning

Wear your PJs, your Onesies or your Spottiest Clothes and **enter the Gamezone** on Friday 19th 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](#).



ELVINGTON PTA NEWS

PTA Annual Meeting

Elvington's PTA (Parent Teacher Association) will be holding an annual meeting on Monday 22nd November at 4.00pm. This will be held via 'Google Meet'. If you would like to join, please email 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.



Easy Fundraising

Elvington's PTA Team are registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 4,000 shops and sites from Amazon to holidays and car insurance, will donate to us when you use easyfundraising, at no extra cost to yourself!

These donations make a BIG difference as we've missed out on this year's disco and summer fair. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment. You can find our easyfundraising page at:

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/elvingtoncep/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=en-e1

Raise donations for Elvington C of E Primary PTA Team - York whenever you shop online

Turn your everyday online shopping into FREE donations

Over £35m raised for good causes through easyfundraising

£51.49 **24**

Total raised Supporters

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Menu

We have an exciting new menu offering a Sandwich and Jacket Potato option alongside two main dishes.

Please note these options are not available each Wednesday.

WC 22/11/21



Week 2

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.



Class 1 have been enjoying baking in the kitchen, cutting dough with shaped cutters. They couldn't wait to eat them!

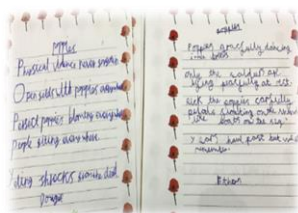


Class 2 have been enjoying PE with equipment. They have been getting their heart rates up; running and jumping.

We recycle pens/felt tips



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 micro plastics, polluting our water and harming ocean life.



Class 3 have written poems about remembrance, using similes, metaphors and personification. We have also been printing repeating patterns for the swords we have designed for Boudicca.



Class 5 have been doing games this week. They have been playing bench ball. They have also made posters about helping the environment after work on COP 26.

School Photographer

The School Photographer will return Friday 26th November for those that were absent on the original day and the escapees! I believe everyone has made me aware of those needing pictures, but please get in touch if you haven't already done so. Thank you.

Angela Greening





Elvington Out of School Club

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). **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

Please help in the fight against climate change...

For a comprehensive list on how to recycle household items, please check out the recycle now [website](#). On the website is a comprehensive A-Z list of how to recycle objects, from aerosols and animal bedding to videos and vacuum cleaners, and much more.



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 5th 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.



Budding artist?

We're looking for artwork fitting to the theme of "York past, present and future" to bring some colour to the hoardings at Torsion Construction on Eboracum Way, Layerthorpe.

The first 100 entries will be displayed on their site for all to see and prizes will be up for grabs!

We are looking for entries from pupils at primary schools in York, across all year groups.

Submit your entry to paulhankin@torsionconstruction.co.uk with your name, age, school and a contact email before 15 December!

