

# Elvington C of E Primary School Newsletter 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021



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



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## Mr. Buttery's Update

### Happy Christmas

I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your support this term, and throughout 2021. I know that Elvington's pupils have worked exceptionally hard and made an excellent start to the academic year. The impact of COVID-19 continues to present a number of challenges, however, we continue to work exceptionally hard to reduce the potential negative impact this has on the children and wider school community.

Nothing would have given me greater pleasure than welcoming parents, carers and other relatives to share our Christmas celebrations and other events in the Autumn Term. However, it would not have been possible to do this without jeopardising face-to-face education and more importantly people's health.

The new variant of COVID-19 (Omicron) will potentially create new challenges in 2022, although you can rest assured that the staff team at Elvington will tackle these with dedication, resilience and creativity! I recognise how difficult this time has been for everyone, and I sincerely hope that the New Year will look and feel much more like normal - sooner rather than later.

I would like to wish all of our pupils, parents, carers and community a restful and happy Christmas, as well as a prosperous New Year.

We look forward to starting a successful 2022, when we return for the new term on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022.**



### School Admissions - Final Reminder



For entry in the September 2022 school year, children will have been born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018. Applications for children who were born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019 can be made from the Autumn of 2022. You can apply online at [www.york.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.york.gov.uk/schooladmissions) from 12<sup>th</sup> September 2021. With an online application you will receive an email confirming submission of your application and the ability to view your application and results online at a later date. Please remember to submit your application by the closing date. If you can't apply online you can request a paper Primary Application Form by calling 01904 551554.

**The deadline for submitting applications for a place in Reception starting in September 2022 is the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022.**

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Please read the [Guide for Parents](#) when applying for a school place, as it contains key information on school admissions. You can also find the [Guide to School Catchment Areas](#) online. We would advise you to keep checking on the City of York Council Admissions site to keep updated with key dates throughout the year.

## Safeguarding Concerns

Please remember that if you have any concerns about a child's welfare, do not hesitate to get in contact by emailing [head@elvingtonprimary.org.uk](mailto:head@elvingtonprimary.org.uk). I am Elvington's Designated Safeguarding Lead, with Mrs. Granger fulfilling the role of Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead – additional school specific information can be found at: [www.elvingtonprimary.org.uk/school-information/whos-who/safeguarding-team](http://www.elvingtonprimary.org.uk/school-information/whos-who/safeguarding-team).

If you have a concern that a child is vulnerable or at risk of significant harm, please contact the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) in York on 01904 551900 and select option 3 or email [MASH@york.gov.uk](mailto:MASH@york.gov.uk). Outside office hours, at weekends and on public holidays contact the emergency duty team on 01609 780780. You can also visit [www.saferchildrenyork.org.uk](http://www.saferchildrenyork.org.uk), for more information.

Please also be aware that as a school we subscribe to Operation Encompass. One of the principles of Operation Encompass is that all incidents of domestic abuse are shared with schools, not just those where an offence can be identified. Additional information can be found at: [www.operationencompass.org/school-participation](http://www.operationencompass.org/school-participation).



## 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew Buttery".

Andrew Buttery

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





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.

**Golden Book**

- Class 1 Hedgehogs** – Class 1
- Class 2 Bears** – Eloise Wright & Oscar Palmer
- Class 3 Bats** – Emily Owen
- Class 4 Foxes** – Patrick Young
- Class 5 Owls** – Imogen O'Brien



**Class 1** - Used an ICT package to draw their Christmas trees.

**Class 3** – Would like to wish you all a Happy Christmas.

**Class 5** - Made beautiful 3-d snowflakes.



**New dates appear in red**

- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January** – First day Spring Term 1
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January** – Class 4 Tudor Workshop

**Terrific Tudors – Class 4**

As part of their next topic Class 4 will be participating in a virtual Tudor workshop 'Meet the townsfolk: York in the time of King Henry VIII' on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January. The workshop is run by the Jorvick Viking Centre Group, it will provide the children with a memorable 'super start' to this topic and subsequent lessons will be linked to this event. We are confident that this will be a very enjoyable event, which will benefit the children in their learning of this topic.



**Class 3 Tube appeal!**

Class 3 would be grateful of any wrapping paper tubes, or any other long cardboard tube, for an exciting project in the New Year. (Not toilet roll tubes please.)

Due to current circumstances, events for 2022 will be announced nearer the time.

**Menu - WC 03/01/2022**



**Week 2**

Please check out our new [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.**



# ELVINGTON PTA NEWS



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

**Spring 1:** Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>  
January – Friday 18<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 4th January 2022  
Friday 8th April 2022  
Early May Bank Holiday –  
Monday 2nd May 2022  
Friday 27th May 2022  
Monday 25th July 2022



We recycle Mobile Phones.

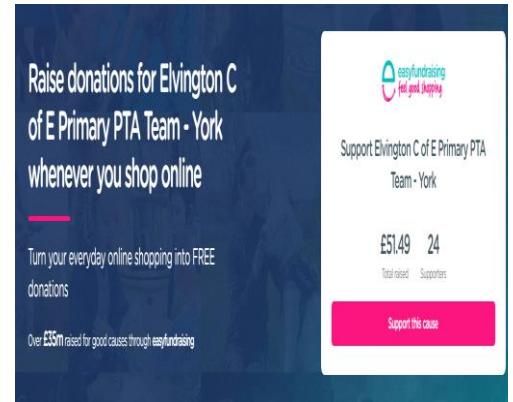


## Easy Fundraising

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/elvingtoncepf/?utm\\_campaign=raise-more&utm\\_content=en-e1](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/elvingtoncepf/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=en-e1)



## 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



## swimming lessons

Spaces available on Monday and Wednesday  
Evenings 5pm to 7pm every 30 mins

Start dates week commencing 10<sup>th</sup> January  
2022

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Beginners and improvers spaces available  
From 4years upwards

Qualified level 2 swim England instructors  
For information email

[Escrickswimmingacademy@gmail.com](mailto:Escrickswimmingacademy@gmail.com)

Or call 07399555715

