

Elvington C of E Primary School Newsletter

4th March 2022



Hope
Our Christian value for this
half term.



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Mr. Buttery's Update

Russia's Invasion of Ukraine

Russia's invasion of Ukraine is distressing and concerning and your child may have questions or be seeking reassurance. We have looked at this significant event from a Christian perspective and explored the themes of support and compassion.

Following our Collective Worship on Monday, a number of children asked how they could help. We discussed how the British Red Cross respond to existing and emerging humanitarian needs. A donation could help someone affected receive:

- food
- water
- first aid
- medicines
- warm clothes
- shelter

https://donate.redcross.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-crisis-appeal?c_name=UK%20Solidarity%20Fund&c_source=BRC%20Blog&c_medium=Internal&c_creative=Donate%20Landing&c_code=175149&adg=BRC%20Site

This link: www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/60568631, could prove useful if your child has any additional questions at home.

Year 6 SATs Meeting

This year, Year 6 will be sitting their end of KS2 Statutory Assessment Tests (SATs). We would like to invite you to a Year Six Parents' meeting where we can show you how home and school can best support your child. The meeting will take place on **Monday 7th March, at 4pm**. This will be a virtual meeting via Google Meet (meet.google.com/ajj-ikvr-htq).

The session will cover the strategies we use in class and offer some practical ways for you to support and encourage your child/ren in their learning. We hope this will help give you a clear picture of your child's learning journey during this period of preparation.

During the meeting you will have the opportunity to see examples of test style questions that your children will be presented with during the SATs tests (9th – 12th May 2022).

After-school Clubs and Whole School Collective Worship

It was wonderful to recommence with both after-school clubs and in person Collective Worship this week. The children certainly enjoyed the range of activities we currently have available. Additional clubs will be added throughout this academic year, and will include additional opportunities for children in Key Stage 1.

Please do not rely on these clubs for childcare, as they could, unfortunately, be cancelled at short notice.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Andrew Buttery

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



Run a Mile Club and Collective Worship this week...



Child Health Warning

One in three youngsters may develop long-term health problems because of high pollution levels where they live. Young **children are exposed to 30% more car pollution than adults** because they are short, according to research.

Please switch off your engine as soon as you are able, especially when near school. Let us protect our children's' health and future.



Red nose day Friday 18th March

Children are able to attend school in a **red outfit**, or one of their choice, with **BAD HAIR**. We politely ask that, in exchange, a donation is made to this wonderful charity. Donations must be made online via ParentPay. **Sadly, we are unable to accept cash donations.** Please use the link below;

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=6051>



We will not be selling Red Noses this year. They are currently available at Sainsbury's, Argos and TKMaxx.



Healthy Snacks



The school operates a healthy snacks policy whereby children choosing to bring a snack for break time should choose fresh fruit or vegetables. Children have been bringing Bear Pure Fruit Yo Yos into school, these are permitted. However, an increasing number of children are bringing predominantly chocolate based snacks into school. I would like to politely request that this stops. Our school discourages the consumption of snacks high in fat and/or sugar.

The Foundation and KS1 children receive fruit and vegetables, offered under the government initiative to provide all infants with free fruit and vegetables during the day.

Golden Book

- Class 1 Hedgehogs** – Beatrix Bowyer
- Class 2 Bears** – Katie Bainbridge
- Class 3 Bats** – Rebekah Miller-Preston
- Class 4 Foxes** – Dylan Cook
- Class 5 Owls** – Nina De Kock

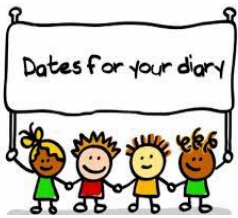


Thank you to the PTA

A huge thank you to our PTA for recommending and funding a storytelling visit from Ian Douglas. His lively storytelling sessions had every class enthralled. We knew exactly which class he was in throughout the day from the excitement coming from the room! The children particularly loved his actions, the drum and the riddles that he told us.



Thank you to everyone who supports Elvington School PTA.



New dates appear in red

World Book Day

All the children had a wonderful time celebrating World Book Day. They enjoyed writing book reviews of their favourite stories, making bookmarks, and having story time with their 'book character' friends.

Thursday 3rd March – World Book Day
 Wednesday 9th – Friday 11th March – Kingswood Residential
 Friday 18th March – Comic Relief
 Wednesday 18th May – Brownlee Triathlon

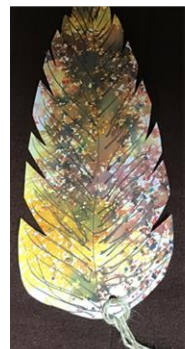
Due to current circumstances, other events in 2022 will be announced nearer the time.



Spring 1: Wednesday 5th January – Friday 18th February
Spring 2: Monday 28th February – Thursday 7th April
Summer 1: Monday 25th April – Thursday 26th May
Summer 2: Monday 6th June – Thursday 21st July

2021-2022 Training Days and Bank Holiday Closures

Friday 8th April 2022
 Early May Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May 2022
 Friday 27th May 2022
 Friday 22nd July 2022 Additional Bank Holiday (Platinum Jubilee of the reign of Queen Elizabeth II)
 Monday 25th July 2022





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.



Did you know that one in every three drinks cans sold in the UK are drunk away from home? The metal these cans are made from is endlessly recyclable, so it's important that it is saved rather than thrown away. Especially when you consider that each can could be recycled and be back on sale as another can – in just 60 days.

Please help by reducing the amount of single use plastic/cling film/plastic bags in your child's packed lunch.

Menu - WC 07/03/2022



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.



Kingswood Residential

Years 5 and 6 will head off to Kingswood for their residential trip on Wednesday 9th March. School will be very quiet without them and we look forward to hearing tales of achievement, experiences, fun and laughter upon their return.

You should be in receipt of a document from Mr. Buttery, emailed Thursday 3rd March, outlining key points regarding the trip, please read this carefully.

Here are some useful links for Parents and Carers:

www.kingswood.co.uk/assets/Uploads/2021-UPDATED-DOCUMENTS/KW-510-Packing-Checklist.pdf.

www.kingswood.co.uk/why-kingswood/parents/

Please contact the school if you have any further enquiries.

Brownlee Trust Triathlon

KS2 children have the opportunity to take part in the Brownlee Trust Triathlon at York Sport, May 18th 9 am-12 pm. This exciting event will involve a bike, swim and run. This will be a parent accompanied event, with an expectation that the parent assumes responsibility for transporting & supervising their child. More details to follow in due course.



Name Labels



Much 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 all your child's possessions. 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 clothing labels, shoes, wellies and all other items your child has in school. Many thanks for your assistance in this matter.

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.



Thanks, Sue Challis

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. 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.

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. 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, 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

COVID-19

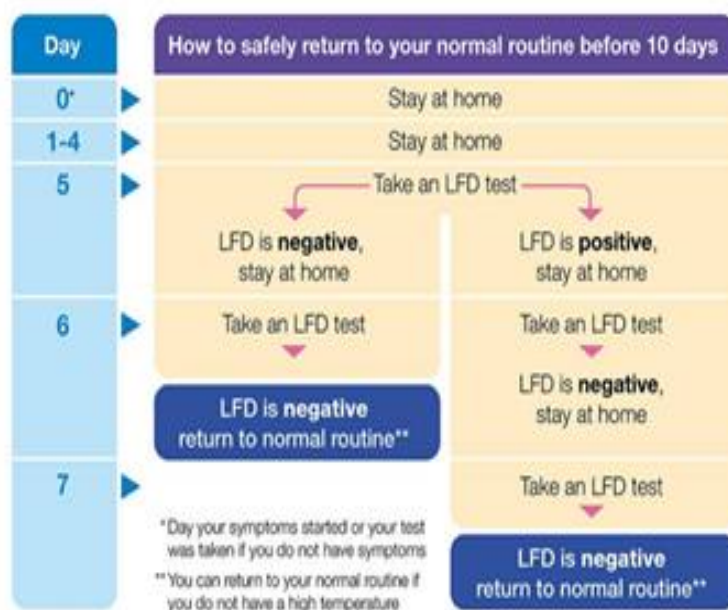
As of Thursday 24th February 2022, the Government removed the legal requirement to self-isolate following a positive test. Adults and children who test positive will continue to be advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for at least five full days, and then continue to follow the guidance until they have received two negative test results on consecutive days or until the tenth day.

Fully vaccinated close contacts and those aged under 18 will no longer be required to test daily for seven days, and the legal requirement for close contacts who are not fully vaccinated to self-isolate has been removed. Routine contact tracing has ended - contacts will no longer be required to self-isolate or advised to take daily tests.

I would like to remind you that school attendance is mandatory for all pupils of compulsory school age, and it is a priority to ensure that as many children as possible regularly attend school. Therefore, your child should be attending school unless they are not well enough to attend or they test positive for COVID-19. Please see the guidance table right.

At Elvington, we ask that everyone in our community follows the expectations listed in this chat.

COVID Guidance Flowchart



Additional Bank Holiday

You will be aware that this year sees the Platinum Jubilee of the reign of Queen Elizabeth II. The Government announced it was adding a bank holiday in celebration of this event and placed it within our Summer Half Term. This means June 2nd and 3rd (Thursday and Friday) are designated bank holidays. However, unlike other bank holidays that are fixed, because this one has been added, the Government has stated that schools can set that bank holiday for a different time of year within term time.

The aforementioned additional bank holiday is designated to individual schools to set; we wished to cause as little disruption to the children's education as possible (considering the disruption that has already occurred over the past two years). To that end we have decided to place our day on **Friday 22nd July 2022**. That date was scheduled to be the last Friday of the academic year. This means our last day in school, at the end of the summer term, will now be **Thursday 21st July 2022**. Our term dates on the website will be adjusted to take account of this, however, I wanted to let you know at the first available opportunity.



HEWORTH UNDER 8S ARE RECRUITING FOR THE 2022 SEASON.

We are looking for new players to join our Under 8s team (School Year 3).

We play in the Yorkshire Junior League on Sunday Mornings, And Train at the club at Elmpark Way, Heworth, York. YO31 1DX.

Our Coaches are fully qualified and meet the Safeguarding & DBS checks set out by the Rugby Football League.

For more information on training times & days, contact our under 8s Coach Jim O'Keefe on 07531 427872 or email jimokeefe0025@hotmail.de

If you are ready for a new challenge and want to have fun, learn new skills and make new friends, then look no further!



COME AND JOIN NORTH YORKSHIRES BIGGEST AMATEUR RUGBY CLUB.



Saturday Morning Club

Saturdays 10am-11am @ Elvington Sports Club
Starting Saturday 5th March - £3/session



Introducing little ones to the game with fun games and exercises
Under 6s (Reception and Year 1) - all abilities welcome.
No kit required, boots advisable, shin pads and socks required.

Please contact Andrew on 07733410355
to register/for more info



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BAGS2SCHOOL – Elvington Under Fives

We have another collection on Friday 18th March at 9a.m. We would be grateful if you have any unwanted ladies, men and children's clothes, paired shoes, handbags, belts, scarves etc. you could donate to preschool. If you do have anything to donate, please bag them up and drop off at preschool from Monday 14th March ready for collection on Friday 18th March.

You can also drop off at our toddler group on Wednesday 16th or Thursday 17th March.



100 Club – Elvington Under Fives

Please consider joining our 100 club which starts again this month.

Buy a number between 1 – 100 for just £1 a month, payable yearly (£12). Each month the draw will take place and the winner will receive £50 prize money.

Please let me know if you would like a number and I will add you to the draw. I can give you the preschools bank details so you can just transfer the £12 or you can pay cash – whichever suits you better.

If we sell all our 100 numbers, we will make £600 profit for our toddler and preschool, so your support will be very much appreciated.

Please give me a text if you would like to join. Elaine 07940532315



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Courses for this half term start next week!
There are still places left on the following courses:

Handling Anger in the Family

Tuesday mornings 9.30 to 11.30am for 4 weeks
starting 8th March at
Clifton Children's Centre, Kingsway North YO30 6JA

Time Out for Parents - the Teenage Years:

Wednesday mornings 9.30 to 11.30pm for 5 weeks
starting 9th March online via zoom.

To book a place or for further information please contact

Helen Atkinson Tel: 07393 147259

Email: helenatkinson@fmy.org.uk

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

Open Morning Saturday 5 March 10am - 12pm

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David Griffiths

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Legal advice

Open to all parents, providing free legal advice
Every Tuesday, 12:00 - 13:00
York St John University Campus, room DG/011

Dad's group

Social group open to fathers and father and babies
Every Tuesday, 13:00 - 14:00
York St John University Campus, room DG/011

Online dad's group

Social group open to fathers and father and babies
Every Thursday, 19:30 - 20:30
Meeting ID: 873 4393 9324
Passcode: r4BZpL

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