St. Peter's Elwick CE Primary School

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News to You - Weekly Newsletter

Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome back after half term to Autumn 2. It is lovely to see all of our pupils back with us and ready for a busy half term. A big congratulations to Miss. Sparks who returned to school as Mrs. Wilcox after her marriage in the half term holiday. We wish them all the best for their future lives together.

This week a group of Y5/6 pupils attended a table tennis tournament and represented our school really well. Good Luck to the girls who got through to the next round! Our Federation girls' football team are also competing at the Sports Domes this afternoon in a town wide football festival.

Miss. Kaur-Singh has visited Early Years this week to develop their learning about the celebration of Diwali. The children thoroughly enjoyed the hands on learning with her and were still enthusiastically re-creating the story of Rama and Sita when I visited Early Years today. This week sees the lead up to Remembrance Sunday. Our pupils have spent time this week reflecting on and learning about Remembrance Sunday, particularly in the context of the anniversary of World War One. We held our evening of reflection and remembrance and it was a very powerful and hopeful sight to see our pupils, the future of our society, walking through the pathway in the yard created from tea lights and stones painted with the names of the local fallen in World War One, who made a difference to the world they live in. We know how important it is for our pupils to understand and have time to think about the impact and sacrifices made in something that happened a long time ago in comparison to their life time.

We wish all of our families a peaceful weekend,

Mrs. Heaton

Dates for your diary and other Information...

Monday 12th November —Parent Consultations for all year groups. Appointment letters have been sent out separately. Thursday 15th November—Parent Consultations for all year groups. Appointment letters have been sent out separately. Friday 16th November—Children in Need. Children can come to school dressed in anything spotty or non uniform for a small donation.

Thursday 22nd November—(am) School Photographs. Consent letters have been sent out with today's newsletter and this year require parents to 'opt in' otherwise photos will not be taken.

Thursday 6th December—EY & KS1 Visit to The Arc. Letters have been sent out separately. Packed lunch required. Tuesday 11th December 1.30pm and 5.30pm—EYFS & KS1 Christmas performance. Tickets arrangements will be sent out shortly.

Thursday 13th December 1.30pm—KS2 Christmas performance. Tickets arrangements will be sent out shortly. Friday 14th December—PD Day. School Closed.

Monday 17th December—Christmas Jumper Day. Children can come into school wearing a Christmas Jumper if they wish for a small donation for the Save the Children charity. Please note you do not have to buy a jumper especially for this event and non-uniform can also be worn.

Monday 17th December 6.00pm— KS2 Christmas performance. Tickets arrangements will be sent out shortly. **Tuesday 18th December**—KS2 Visit to Vue Cinema. Letters with additional information have been sent out separately. **Thursday 20th December**—School Christmas Lunch. If children usually have a packed lunch they can stay for a school lunch on this day but it must be organised in advance with the school office.

Thursday 20th December 1.30pm—Christingle Service in St. Peter's Church, Elwick. All are welcome to attend. Friday 21st December—Children can come to school dressed in their party clothes for the day and small contributions of party food would be much appreciated.

PD days this year - Friday 14th December, Monday 3rd June, Monday 22nd July and Tuesday 23rd July. Any parents/carers wishing to speak with Mrs Hill at any time should contact the school office to arrange a mutually agreeable time.



Week 9– Autumn Term - 09.11.18

Y3/4—Alfie Linton Y5/6—Euan Longbottom

Award Winners this week

Golden Quill

EYFS–Sophie Lavelle Y1/2–James Ashton Y3/4–Florence Tiplady Y5/6– Zac Bedding

Superstar

EYFS—Indi Laycock Y1/2—Elizabeth Lavelle Y3/4—Kandice Gray-Fewster Y5/6—Grace Storm

Maths Award

EYFS-Marielle Corrigan Y1/2-Vincent White Y3/4-Joshua Laughton Y5/6-Grace Gill

> Important Dates for next year:

KS2 SATs— Monday 13th May until Thursday 16th May 2019. All Y6 children <u>must</u> be in school on these days.

KS1 SATs— May 2019

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check— W/C 10th June 2019



