St. Peter's Elwick CE Primary School

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News to You - Weekly Newsletter

Summer Term — 16.07.20

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parent and Carer

At this point of the year, I usually take the time to reflect on the academic year.....what a year it has been!

Many things have changed: the way we shop, the way we meet, the way we use technology, how we work, but our values of Service, Thankfulness, Friendship, Trust and Compassion have not changed and remain at the 'heart of St Peter's Elwick'.

I am conscious that you have received plentiful correspondence from me throughout this period. Our children are central to all that we do at St Peter's Elwick and on the premise that a 'picture speaks a thousand words' I thought we would remind ourselves of the children during this academic year and the joy they have brought us all.

Take care Mrs Hill









Well this has been an unprecedented year in education for the whole country. Who would have thought in March that the whole country would be caught in the grip of the viral pandemic COVID 19. Both schools were having such a good academic year with happy students making terrific progress and achieving national recognition for their endeavours, then LOCKDOWN hits hard.

However, having said this, the staff at both schools have worked tirelessly to try and reduce the impact on the children. I must also give thanks to all those adults at home who were able to take on home schooling.

It must be said that school has been open all through lockdown for some children. Since more children have returned to school everything possible has been done by staff to make this as safe as possible. Incredibly thorough risk assessments have been completed and carried out to ensure safety for all adults and children on the phased re-opening of school. Equally thorough risk assessments have been completed for the full re-opening of the two schools in September.

Finally I must thank all the staff, parents, guardians and children for working so hard during this most difficult of times to ensure no child falls behind and all guidance, however difficult, has been kept to. Let's hope for a vaccine soon and a return to some form of normality, whatever that may look like. Again a very sincere thank you for the hard work that has been done for the benefit of the children of both schools.

We look forward to seeing all the children return in September. Take care and stay safe.

Colin Reid Chair of Governors.

Dates for your diary and other information.....

Thursday 3rd September—Year 5/6—Return to school Thursday 3rd September—Year 3/4—Return to school Thursday 3rd September—Year 1/2—Return to school Friday 4th September—Reception—Return to school

Monday 7th September-Existing Nursery-Return to school

Tuesday 8th September—New Nursery starters—Return to school. EYFS staff will contact parents with individual dates and times.

Please ensure that you inform school if there are any changes to your child's medical needs or to your contact details. You must also keep your contact details up to date with ParentPay If you need support or any further information please do not hesitate to contact school via the

AWARD WINNERS Super Star

Critical Worker Group–Joshua Laughton and Kandice Gray-Fewster Nursery-Oliver Bonner Reception-Rocco Da Rocha

St. Peter's Key

Critical Worker Group-Lucia Huntington and Olivia Seed Reception–Penny Grimston Nursery – Frank Hughes

Golden Quill

Critical Worker Group–Jack Holden and Hannah Wells Nursery-Eloise Woodward Year 1-Martha Longbottom

Maths Award

Critical Worker Group–Florence Tiplady and Nicole Laughton Reception–Matilda White Nursery–James Bryan

HOME LEARNING AWARD

EYFS—Scarlett Lavelle Y1/Y2—Frederick Mounter Y3/Y4–Maggie Wharton Y5/Y6–Millie Cowan

Drop off times during the phased return in September

Year 5/6-8:35-8:45 Teaching will commence at 8:45 Year 3/4-8:45-8:55 Teaching will commence at 8:55 Year 1/2-8:55-9:05 Teaching will commence at 9:05 EYFS (Reception and Nursery) 9:05-9:15

Pick up times during the phased return in September

Year 5/6—2:45 Year 3/4—2:55 Year 1/2-3:15 EYFS (Reception and Nursery) 3:05 Nursery 15 hours pick up—12:05

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