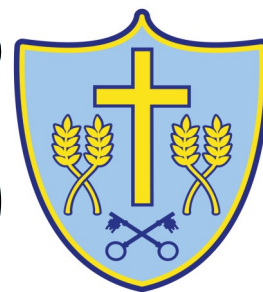


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News to You - Weekly Newsletter

Autumn Term 2020 — 04.09.20

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parent and Carer

It is the start of a new academic year for St Peter's, Elwick and in many ways a new different way of working. A school is just a building without the children! It was an absolute joy to see and hear the children walking into school, playing with their friends on the school yard, engaging in learning, laughing, and having fun!



We feel blessed that all of our staff are well, and they are eager and committed to giving our children a high quality education in a fun, safe learning environment. We have a skilled, dedicated caring staff who are determined to give our children a high-quality education in a fun, exciting way.

I would like to thank parents and carers for preparing their children so well for their full return to school and adhering to all our guidelines. It was lovely to see them saying bye to their parents and eagerly entering the building. We will constantly be reviewing systems and procedures to ensure that there are efficient and effective and in line with the ever changing Government Guidelines.

Can I please stress, that parents, carers and pupils who are displaying any symptoms of Coronavirus must NOT enter the school premises. Please inform school immediately if your child is displaying symptoms, take your child to be tested at the earliest opportunity and inform schools of the results

School has lots of new ways of working to ensure our children, staff and community are safe. Over the holidays we have enhanced and developed our opportunities for remote learning provision and homework. In the next few weeks, Miss Whitaker and Mrs Wilson will give you an insight into the developments in homework, remote learning opportunities and assessments.

Thank you to Colin Reid and Reverend Janet for displaying some of our pupils work during Lockdown in St Peter's Church.

It was absolute pleasure to gift out new year 6 pupils with a 'real tie'. The purpose of this is part of our gradual preparations for secondary school. We hope that, when the time comes, they can skilfully and quickly put on their tie - one less thing to worry about!

Just a reminder that no jewellery is allowed to be worn in school, particularly earrings.

The newsletter will continue to be written fortnightly but, as always, if we have any updates for parents and carers we will let you know as soon as we are in a position to do so.

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Hill

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

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

info@hartelwickfederation.org.uk.

Parents/carers wishing to speak with Mrs Hill at any time should contact the school office to arrange a mutually agreeable time.



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

PE

Please see below for your children's designated PE slot/s each week. KS1 have two shorter lessons and KS2 is a longer lesson. All children have access to the same amount of PE each week.

Elwick

Monday	Y1/2 EY
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Y3/4 Y5/6
Thursday	Y3/4 Y5/6 Y1/2 EY
Friday	

KS2

A reminder that parents are welcome to send children into school in their PE kits on the day of their lesson/s. If parents prefer, children can come into school in their uniform and wear their trainers however a PE kit must be brought into school and kept in school for the full half term. Alternatively, children can bring in their full PE kit (clothing and trainers) at the start of each half term and take it home at the end of the half term. We are asking that it is not brought in every week to keep personal belonging being brought into school to a minimum.

We would also like to remind you that we are aiming to be outside for every PE lesson so children would benefit from coming to school in a PE kit suitable for cooler climates on colder days.

Early Years and Y1/2

Children are able to complete their PE session in their uniform, as they are completing two shorter sessions. Hair must still be tied back and no watches.

PE KIT:

*Long hair to be tied back - boys and girls. If children cannot tie their own hair back this needs to be done prior to coming into school, as staff cannot support with this in the present climate.

*No watches.

*Suitable footwear – trainers or plimsoles.

*School shorts (navy blue) and t-shirts (royal blue).

*School tracksuits for colder weather.

Please note that due to the current climate, school cannot provide spare PE kit.

Further information about our PE uniform can be found on the school website.