# St. Peter's Elwick CE Primary School

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# **News to You - Weekly Newsletter**

# Autumn— 26.11.2021

## **Message from the Headteacher**

Dear Parent and Carer,

I always seem to start the newsletter with how busy the children have been and how much they are enjoying their learning and the past few weeks have been no different !

Within our school, our pupils constantly demonstrate our values of Friendship and Trust, Compassion, Thankfulness and Service. Over the last few weeks, our children have used these values to help those beyond the doors of St Peter's . We have donated lots of food to the Hartlepool Foodbank, raised £145.31 for Children in Need and together, with Hart Primary School, we have raised over £200 for the Butterwick Hospice in memory of Will Garret.

Thank you to all those who supported the 'PJ and movie night'. It was a great success and the children really enjoyed their popcorn and movie. They have already asked the date of the next one!

As you may be aware, COVID cases in Hartlepool continue to rise with many COVID cases being detected in primary children. Presently we don't have any COVID cases in school and we will continue to enforce the additional preventative measures we have in place. In light of this, at the moment we are unable to confirm the arrangements for our live Christmas celebrations such as the Christingle and Christmas performances. We will continue to take advice from Public Health, and we will inform you of our plans for Christmas in due course. Christmas is a wonderful time of year in St Peter's, Elwick. Please be assured that we will endeavour, as we did last year, to ensure that our pupils have a magical Christmas time in school whilst keeping our children, staff and community safe.



Thank you to parents/carers who continue to donate uniforms which no longer fit their children. They are in pristine condition! Parents/carers can take items from the clothing rack at any time, simply just call into the school office and they will be more than happy to share our stock with you. Alternatively, school will regularly display the uniform rack on the school yard, so it is easy for parents/carers to access.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Hill

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## School Photos

We intend for school photos to go ahead on Wednesday 1st December. If your child usually comes to school on this day in their PE kit, it is fine from them to come in their school uniform for the photos and change back into their kit. Due to COVID protective measures, we can only accommodate sibling photos of siblings who attend our school. For those children who do not have photo permission please contact school if you would like their photo taken by 30th November. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.



#### Year 4 Multiplication Check with take place : Monday 13th June to Friday June 17th.

It is of upmost importance that all Year 4 pupils are in school on these dates and that no children are on holiday. For any further details please speak to your child's class teacher or Mrs Wilson (Deputy Head)

#### **Important Information**

- School Photographers will be in school on Wednesday 1st December for pupils ' photos
- Nurse Drop In session Our school nurse will be in the school building the first Tuesday in every month. The next session is Tuesday 7th December 2021.
- Christmas Holidays Last day in school will be Friday 17th December and children will return to school Tuesday 4th January 2022
- KeyStage 2 SATS— Monday 9th May 2022– Thursday 12th May 2022

## AWARD WINNERS

# **Superstar Award** EYFS—Emily S/Theo Yr1/2-Daisy/Harrison Yr3/4— Autumn/Freddie Yr5/6—Poppy/Maddy

**St. Peter's Key** EYFS—Isabelle/Jersey Yr1/2-James/Frank Yr3/4—Polly/Charlie Yr5/6—Maggie/Ewan

## **Golden Quill**

EYFS—Daisy/Thomas Yr1/2—Scarlett/Azeem Yr3/4— Thomas/Martha Yr5/6—Hannah/Zacharie

#### Maths Award

EYFS—Lily-Mae/Leo Yr1/2—Sydney/Jacob Yr3/4— Marielle/Nicole Yr5/6- Poppy/Esme

#### Reminder of Drop off and Collection times

Early Years Drop off: 8.40am– 8.50am Collection: 2.55pm

<u>Years 1 and 2</u> Drop off: 8.40am—8.50am Collection: 2.55pm

Years 3 and 4 Drop off: 8.30am—8.40am Collection: 2.45pm

Years 5 and 6 Drop off: 8.30am—8.40am Collection: 2.45pm

# <u>Natasha's Law</u>

#### What is Natasha's Law ?

Natasha's Law came into effect from October 2021. It is sadly named after a 15 year old girl, Natasha, who passed away due to a severe allergic reaction.

## What does this mean for St Peter's?

The school has children who have allergies and we also appreciate and know that some of our pupils love nothing more than sharing their birthday cake and bringing sweet treats into school to celebrate their birthday with their friends. In order to keep on doing this, we ask that if your child wants to bring food to celebrate their birthday, we ask that the food is pre packaged so that staff can check the label for ingredients and this will help to keep our children with allergies safe.

# Year 3/4 Parents - Swimming

#### <u>After School Club Details</u>

Our After School Clubs are up and running ! Please see times and year groups below:-

- Year 1/2 Monday 2.55pm—3.55pm— Multi skills
- Monday Street Dance—KS2 2.45pm-3.45pm
- Year 5/6—Tuesday 2.45pm-3.45pm— Multi Skills
- Year 3/4—Wednesday 2.45pm—3.45pm— Design Technology
- Friday—Art Club (KS2) with our resident artist Keith, from 5th November for 5 weeks.

We are very excited to inform you that swimming lessons for Year 3/4 will commence on Wednesday 1st December.

Please note that High Tunstall do not have spare swimming kits, caps or towels, and if your child does not bring their swimming kit, they cannot swim.

The children will need the following kit for their lessons: Full costume for girls – no bikinis. Tight fitting swimming trunks for boys – no loose, baggy shorts. Swimming cap Long hair tied back to help with swimming caps. Towel Swimming goggles can be used however it is your child's responsibility to adjust them and look after them.



#### Christmas Activities Dates

10th December—Christmas Jumper Day 15th December—Christmas Dinner 16th December—Christmas Parties



#### <u>COVID</u>

Can I please stress, that parent, carers and pupils who are displaying one or more of the symptoms of Coronavirus must NOT enter the school premisies. Please inform the school if your child is displaying symptoms, take your child to be tested at the earliest opportunity and inform the school of the results.