

# St. Peter's Elwick CE Primary School

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News to You - Weekly Newsletter

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## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents/Carers

Wow ... 2021 ... what a year!

When I wrote my final newsletter of 2020, I reflected on the strange and unusual year that 2020 had been and, at that point, didn't expect for our children not to return to school in the January! Once again, our children and staff adapted quickly to the remote learning provision and even learnt to play the guitar remotely and joined in Mr Gibson's remote PE lessons from his living room. Our children returned to classroom bubbles in Spring 2 and, once again, demonstrated their extraordinary resilience and adapted quickly to yet another 'new normal'. Since then, staff and pupils have worked extremely hard to fill any gaps in learning or social and emotional concerns to ensure that our children achieve that the best that they can. As always, I would like to thank you for your cooperation, positivity, flexibility and your continuous support to the school and our staff throughout another 'strange' and unpredictable year.

Once again, you have demonstrated your understanding and cooperation to our school when frustratingly we have not been able to have the whole school community Christmas that we had hoped for. We have tried to spread a little festive community spirit by erecting the Christmas displays outside, hosting a festive outdoor 'Carols and Cocoa' event and the beautiful signing and singing recording of 'Away In A Manager' by all our pupils. It brought a tear to my eye. If you would like to access the video, it will be on your child's Microsoft Teams page.

We would like to congratulate our SENDCO and Assistant Headteacher, Miss Leighton, on her exciting baby news. When Miss Leighton commences her maternity leave, Mrs Wilson (Deputy Headteacher) will be acting SENDCO. To support this transition, on the 25th January 2022, the parents/carer of SEND pupils can arrange a meeting with both Miss Leighton and Mrs Wilson. SEND parents will receive a letter explaining how to book an appointment.

On behalf of all the staff and children at StPeter's, I wish all of our St Peter's Elwick family a very Merry Christmas and look forward to seeing the children refreshed and eager to learn on Tuesday 4th January 2022

Festive Wishes

Mrs Hill

## AWARD WINNERS

### Superstar Award

EYFS—Emma/Cooper/Harry  
Yr1/2—Lincoln/Rupert/Belle  
Yr3/4— Freddie Mc/Josh J/  
Jack

Yr5/6—Oliver/Ava/Freya

### St. Peter's Key

EYFS—Flynn/Oliver/Cole  
Yr1/2—Olivia/Theo/Matilda  
Yr3/4—Olivia S/Thomas/  
Marielle

Yr5/6—Leo/Jayden/Alfie

### Golden Quill

EYFS—Sienna/Zachary/  
Jersey  
Yr1/2—Sienna/Rocco/Indi  
Yr3/4— Isla/Erin/Freddie  
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Yr5/6—George/Cohen/  
William

### Maths Award

EYFS—Henry/Amber /  
Sienna  
Yr1/2—Luna/Emily /Theo  
Yr3/4— Tommy/Olivia S/  
Polly

Yr5/6— Maggie/Max/  
Matilda

### After School Club Details

Our After School Clubs will be resuming the 2nd week back after the Christmas holidays. Further information will be given closer to the time. Please see times and year groups below:-

- ◆ Year 1/2 - Monday 2.55pm—3.55pm—Multi skills/Sports
- ◆ Monday - Street Dance—KS2 - 2.45pm-3.45pm
- ◆ Year 5/6—Tuesday 2.45pm-3.45pm— Multi Skills/Sports
- ◆ Year 6 —Wednesday 2.45pm—3.45pm—Chess and Chat
- ◆ (KS2 ) Art Club—2.45pm-3.45pm - with our resident artist Keith Robson

### Dukeshouse Wood—Yr5/6

The next payment instalment is £78.50 and this is required by 28/1/2022.

### ParentPay

Please ensure that any monies owed on Parent Pay are paid by the end of term. Thank you

### Reminder of Drop off and Collection times

#### Early Years

Drop off: 8.40am—8.50am  
Collection: 2.55pm

#### Years 1 and 2

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



**SWIMMING** ( Mrs Whitaker )

Swimming will continue next half term for Y3/4 on a Wednesday.

Can we remind you that children need to bring:

- \*a swimming cap
  - \*full costume for girls / tight fitting swimming trunks for boys – no loose baggy shorts
  - \*towel
  - \*goggles (if your child would like to wear them)
- Swimming lessons will continue until, and including, the week commencing February 7<sup>th</sup> 2022.

A big welcome goes out to our new Premises Assistant Mr Hill  
Welcome to St Peter's family !



**KS1 and Y6 SATS Phonics** ( Mrs Wilson )

Thursday 13th January, Year 6 SAT Parents meeting 3.30pm-5pm via your child's 'Teams' account.

Thursday 27th January KS1 Phonics Parents meeting 3.45pm, via your child's 'Teams' account

