St. Peter's Elwick CE Primary School

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News to You - Weekly Newsletter

Spring Term— 07/01/2022

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents /Carers

It was lovely to welcome pupils and staff back to school this week and hear the children chatting about their heart-warming family festive traditions. Those memories will stay with them forever!

Staff are rested, excited and eager to start this half term's topics with the children which I am sure they will share with you.

I hope that you found the information letter sent before the start of this term useful and that it provided clarification of the new guidelines. On behalf of all staff, I would like to thank St Peter's families for following the guidelines and not sending those pupils with symptoms into school. By doing so, you are helping to keep our children and staff safe. If you have any queries regarding the new guidelines, please contact the school office who will be more than happy to help and advise.

Unfortunately, we do have pupils and staff who have contracted COVID-19 over the festive period and are isolating as a result. As you may have seen in the media, it may be that we experience some staffing shortages or new guidelines or protective measures may need to be introduced, resulting in timetabling and organisational changes. I thank you in advance for your cooperation.

If your child is isolating and your child is well, we aim to start remote learning on their first day of isolation. Any queries regarding remote learning can be directed to your child's teacher or Mrs Wilson (Deputy Headteacher) who leads teaching and learning across Hart and St Peter's Elwick.

As you will have seen from the letter, due to staff isolations, after school sports clubs will not commence till the week of the 17^{th} January. At the moment, we anticipate that all other clubs will start the week commencing 10^{th} January.

School's priority it to ensure that we keep our children safe and happy and that they receive high quality education and experiences. Please be assured that we will continue to strive to do this. Shortly, you will receive an email with your child's Knowledge Organiser for this half term. This document details the knowledge which your child will be taught this half term. It is our hope that parents/carers will chat to their children about their learning. These are also available on the school website.

Take care and be safe

Mrs Hill

After School Club Details

Our After School Clubs will be resuming from 17th January (staff levels permitting) apart from the Street Dance Club which begins Monday 10th 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

Recycling—Miss Tillson would like to remind all parents/carers that we are still accepting recycling at the main office. This might include olds toys, clothes, shoes, handbags, textiles etc that you no longer need. The school receives 30p for every kilo which means we are able to buy new resources. Thank you for all your donations so far!



AWARD WINNERS

Superstar Award EYFS— Thomas

Yr1/2-Mason Yr3/4– Sophie Yr5/6–Kandice

St. Peter's Key

EYFS—Emily Yr1/2-Eloise Yr3/4—Freddie Mo Yr5/6—Heidi

Golden Quill

EYFS—Leo Yr1/2—Bobby Yr3/4— Charlie Yr5/6—Abigail

Maths Award

EYFS—Flynn Yr1/2—Sydney Yr3/4— Autumn Yr5/6-Vincent

The next payment instalment is $\pounds78.50$ and this is required by 28/1/2022.

Dukeshouse Wood—Yr5/6—Mrs Wilson

Uniform Donations-Mrs Bland

Please remember to kindly donate any school uniform which isn't suitable anymore to our school office. This can then be made available to other parents/carers if needed. The uniform is displayed every week on the school yard for anyone to take.

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

<u>SWIMMING (Mrs Whitaker)</u>

Swimming will continue this 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 week commencing 7th February 2022

Key Stage 2 SATs—Mrs Wilson

Key Stage 2 SATs Parent Information Sessions – Thursday 13th January at 3:30pm and 5pm via Teams (same meeting twice – parents only need to attend one)

EYFS - Miss Leighton

Phonics drop in meeting 26.1.22 3:30 pm- 3:45pm A chance for Miss Leighton and the EYFS Team to share information regarding phonics resources and support for helping your child with phonics at home.

Our award winners this week!









<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.