

# Eythorne Elvington CP School

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023



We have reached the half way point of this school year and we can look back proudly on all of the successes thus far including the new Enrichment Experiences, sporting events taken part in and of course the “Outstanding” Ofsted outcome. The second half of the school year will no doubt be as eventful and we look forward to seeing what that brings. In the meantime, I hope that you all have an enjoyable half term break and we look forward to seeing the children again on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February.

## Assistant Headteacher

I am pleased to confirm that as of the start of Term 5 (after the Easter Break) Mr Hutcheon will take up the position of Assistant Headteacher at Eythorne Elvington. Further information on his role will be communicated with parents next term. Mr Hutcheon is very excited at continuing the strong leadership across the school going forwards working both with myself and also the other senior leaders at the school – Mrs Taylor, Mrs Spurgeon and Mrs Whannell. Congratulations to Mr Hutcheon on being offered this position by the school governing body.

## Open Evening

I hope that many of you took the opportunity to come and look through your children’s books at the Open Evening yesterday. Should you have any questions regarding the work, I suggest that you contact your child’s class teacher after the half term break.

## End of Term Reports

Pupils will be coming home today with their end of year reports showing you how well they have in school over the past six weeks. Again, if you have any questions about this please ensure that you find time early next term to sit down and talk with your child’s class teacher.

## Safer Internet Day

Earlier this week, all pupils took part in lessons around safer internet as well as having an assembly with Mr Allen on how children can ensure they remain safe when using the internet. I hope this prompted some further conversation at home.

## School Year 2022/2023

### Term 4

20<sup>th</sup> February – 31<sup>st</sup> March

Bank Holiday – 7<sup>th</sup> April

Bank Holiday – 10<sup>th</sup> April

School Holiday – 3<sup>rd</sup> April – 14<sup>th</sup> April

### Term 5

17<sup>th</sup> April – 26<sup>th</sup> May

Bank Holiday - 1<sup>st</sup> May

Bank Holiday - 29<sup>th</sup> May

School Holiday- 29<sup>th</sup> May – 2<sup>nd</sup> June

## Dates for your diary

Girls Football Team of Year 5/6 – 28<sup>th</sup> February

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World Book Day – 2<sup>nd</sup> March

Swimming Gala – 3<sup>rd</sup> March

Netball – 17<sup>th</sup> March

Ultimate Frisbee – 23<sup>rd</sup> March





**13<sup>th</sup> March  
Break the Rules Day**

**17<sup>th</sup> March  
Mother's Day Market**

### Driving near school

Please can all parents be considerate of others when driving around school both in the morning and at the end of the school day. We should not be seeing any of the following:

- Parents pulling into the area by the school gates to drop children off
- Parents driving into the school grounds to drop children off
- Parents parking over the driveways of local residents

Also, for those who use the driveway next to the school, please DO NOT reverse out onto Adelaide Road, instead I ask that you drive further down the lane to turn around.

There are many children around at these times and at the moment some of the driving behaviours from parents is unacceptable and will be addressed by myself if seen.

### Enrichment Experiences

Thank you to those parents who have registered for their children to take part in the Enrichment Experience programme, the cost of each experience has been spread over differing numbers of instalments to make this more manageable for parents to pay for. Please can all parents ensure that each instalment for their trip is paid either before or on the instalment due date. Failure to keep up with payment dates jeopardises our chances of being able to ensure that the experience can go ahead at all. If payments are missed without any communication to school, it will mean that we will have to withdraw your child from the experience to allow us to plan ahead accordingly.

### PTA Film Night

Thank you to all those parents who this contributed to the PTA Film Night. The PTA is a crucial fund raising element of the school community and unfortunately, despite many appeals, is still a very small team. If any parents would be willing to join the PTA please let me know and I will discuss this further with you.

### Tchoukball Event

Yesterday some Year 5 and 6 pupils went to the Duke of York's School to compete in a Tchoukball competition. It was the first time we have come across this game; it is similar to handball but the goal is a rebound net. Both teams can score a point at either end so the game is fast paced and all about attacking. The Hub events are in competition with other local schools, St Richards, Ash Cartwright and Kelsey and Charlton and are all about the children experiencing new sports. The children worked amazingly well as a team scoring lots of goals but Ash took the trophy home. Hopefully next term we can take the trophy from them in an Ultimate Frisbee competition.

### Stars of The Week

#### **Discovery**

Isabelle – for wearing her CAPE to achieve success this week.  
Beren – for being a role model to others.

#### **Voyager**

Cora – consistently demonstrating all of our core values throughout the term.  
Liberty-Rose – an enthusiastic and contagious attitude to learning.

#### **Challenger**

Ava – for showing great perseverance during a tricky computing lesson.  
Alana – for showing empathy and patience with other during a tricky computing lesson.

#### **Columbia**

Ronnie – for a really good start to Columbia Class this term and persevering with his reading.  
Axel – for being a role model to all his classmates and an excellent term in Columbia class. Well done!

#### **Endeavour**

Mannie – for amazing vocabulary in his descriptive writing.  
Meira – for being very helpful to her classmates.

*Neil Garvey*  
**Headteacher**

