

Eythorne Elvington CP School



This week has really kicked off the festive season at school, particularly with our midweek Christmas Train experience for the whole school. I am sure that the children came home excited at their adventure and told you all about it. Then, the following day we got to record our Christmas song music videos with Mrs Barton-Hodges. We hope to have these uploaded to the school YouTube account at some point next week – we will send out a parent email once they are available. Thank you to all parents for sorting out Christmas Jumpers for yesterday and for your kind donations towards the “Save The Children” charity.

Another note on the charity front.....we have finally managed to count up all of the coins brought in for the Children In Need Coin Stack Challenge a few weeks ago. I was amazed to discover that all that loose change combined together to make a total fund raising amount of £211.36. Once again, a huge thank you and well done to the entire school community for this level of generosity.

Next week is the final week of the term. We have more activities for the children to enjoy in the build up to Christmas including Christingles, a Christmas Raffle, Christmas Lunch, Class Parties and a special “Where’s Santa?” day on Wednesday. It is important that during this last week of school, every single person continues to do their upmost to keep everyone safe. This includes wearing a mask at school, sanitizing your hands at the gates and keeping socially distanced when on the school grounds. We have done a great job, so far, as a school community in ensuring that the school has remained open and generally healthy. It would be a real shame to ruin it at this late stage which could result in someone being ill or having to self-isolate over the Christmas break.

You may have heard in the news about the government offering schools the opportunity to take Friday 18th December as a staff training day, we will not be doing this and so our final day is the 18th December as originally planned.

Term Dates 2020-2021

Autumn Term 2020

Term 2

Monday 2nd November
2020 – Friday 18th
December 2020

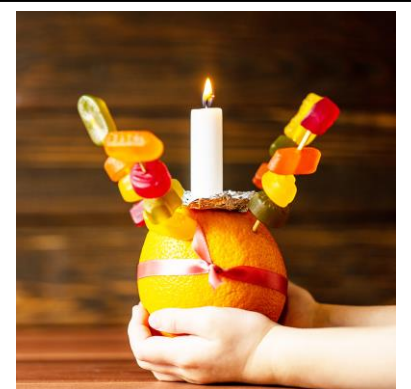
School Holiday – Monday
21 December 2020 –
Thursday 31 December
2020

Bank Holiday – Friday 1
January 2021

Term 3

Monday 4th January –
Friday 12th February 2021

School Holiday –
Monday 15th February –
Friday 19th February 2021



Uniform

Sweat Shirts £8
Fleece £13
Book Bags £4
PE Bags £3
Hats £3
Water bottles £1
House PE Shirt £8

Breakfast club and after school club prices

Breakfast Club

£3 a session

After School Club

Up to 4:15 £3 a session
Up to 5:45 £7 a session
(including a snack)



TEAM POINTS

Chislet win this weeks challenge by just two points

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

For those who have bought raffle tickets for the Children's Christmas Raffle, this will take place on Tuesday.

PRESENTS FOR THE STAFF

I have had a few parents ask me about the protocol this year for giving presents to the staff at Christmas time. This year, I would like them all to come to me – especially the chocolate ones! No, in all seriousness, for those wishing to give gifts to the classroom staff, you may wish to bring them in earlier in the final week so that they can be quarantined.

CHRISTINGLE

Unfortunately, the classes are unable to go to the church next week as planned for the Christingle Service. However, we will be having a Christingle celebration in school with Reverend Sean on a Zoom call.

STARS OF THE TERM

I have asked teachers to select one or two "Stars Of The Term" from their class to reward behavior, performance, attitude, effort – or all four – shown by children over the past six weeks. Well done to the Children listed below:

Endeavour:

Tria - for outstanding presentation and hard work including homework

TJ - for always trying his best showing resilience and determination

Discovery:

Ava - for her wonderful attitude towards learning and for being a kind and helpful member of Discovery

Alysha - for trying really hard this term and for persevering when faced with a challenge

Atlantis:

Elsie - for her excellent engagement at home and at school

Brianna - for growing in confidence and effort in reading

Voyager:

Ellora - fantastic effort and behaviour throughout the term

Ezmae - always trying her best and for her behaviour throughout the term

Columbia:

Alfie – for an amazing turnaround in both effort and attitude

Amelia – for tackling all challenges with determination and courage

Many thanks

Neil Garvey

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Acting Head Teacher