

# Eythorne Elvington CP School

nothing is impossible  
the word itself says  
"I'm possible"  
- Audrey Hepburn

We have made it through the first full week of school in the "new normal" – well done everyone!

Full credit must go to the children who have barely batted an eye lid at the necessary changes now in place in school due to Covid. Their attitude and behavior has been excellent and allowed all classes to carry on where we left off in March of this year.

From our point of view, the communication between home and school has been extremely helpful this week, allowing us to keep a close eye on the health of all children and families – please continue in this manner.

## Emails

You will have received this week's Newsletter by email today. The majority of our correspondence will come to you via email from now on. In addition to this, email will replace our text message service as a means of communicating with parents. If you are not receiving email, or unable to do so, please inform the school office.

## Class Email

During the school lockdown, parents were able to email their child's class teacher using a class email address. Given the restrictions that are still in place and face-to-face contact between parents and teachers is limited, these email addresses will continue to be in place. However, please do not expect an instant reply from teachers given their busy workload as it is. Teachers will be checking their class emails on a weekly basis. For anything that is urgent continue to contact the school office. Email addresses are as follows:

EYFS - Discovery Class – [ddiscovery@eythorne-elvington.kent.sch.uk](mailto:ddiscovery@eythorne-elvington.kent.sch.uk)

Year One – Voyager Class – [vvoyager@eythorne-elvington.kent.sch.uk](mailto:vvoyager@eythorne-elvington.kent.sch.uk)

Year Two – Atlantis Class – [aatlantis@eythorne-elvington.kent.sch.uk](mailto:aatlantis@eythorne-elvington.kent.sch.uk)

Year 3/Year Four – Columbia Class – [ccolumbia@eythorne-elvington.kent.sch.uk](mailto:ccolumbia@eythorne-elvington.kent.sch.uk)

Year Five/Year Six – Endeavour Class – [eeendeavour@eythorne-elvington.kent.sch.uk](mailto:eeendeavour@eythorne-elvington.kent.sch.uk)

## Term Dates 2020-2021

### Autumn Term 2020

#### Term 1

Wednesday 2 September  
2020 – Friday 23 October  
2020

School Holiday – Monday  
26 October 2020 – Friday  
30 October 2020

#### Term 2

Monday 2 November  
2020 – Friday 18  
December 2020

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

Bank Holiday – Friday 1  
January 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)

## Year 6 Meeting

Year 6 parents are to attend a meeting on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 6pm in the school hall. The meeting will give you information about the process for applying for places at Secondary School. The deadline for these applications is Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. At the meeting, I will also discuss with parents my plans for the end of year residential trip for our Year 6 pupils. Please do make every effort to attend. If you are unable to attend, please let the school office know.

## School Library

Earlier this week, Mrs Sutcliffe sent home information about a "Readathon" we are running in order to raise much needed funds. All money raised will be used to kit out our new library which we hope to have in place for the start of the second term (October 2020). We hope that the library facility will not only benefit the children attending the school but can also be accessed at times by family members in the community. Please do encourage family and friends to help us in our quest to raise enough to create a fantastic library space. Below is a message from our English Lead at school, Mrs Sutcliffe...

*Hopefully you've all received information about the Great Eythorne & Elvington Read-Off, an exciting event this term to raise money for our new library area.*

*This will go alongside our normal Reading challenge (reads can count for both, as long as they are recorded in our new reading records) and the target for home reads this term is 35.*

*We would also love donations of any unwanted books that are still in good condition and appropriate for primary aged children, please hand these into the adult on the playground.*

*Send your books in, starting on Monday!*

*Many thanks!*

## Parent Teacher Consultations

Parent Teacher consultations will take place during the week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> October. Due to COVID restrictions these conversations will take place either via Zoom or over the telephone. Letters will be coming home in the next couple of weeks with more information about these meetings including days and times available.

## European Day of Languages

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September is European Languages Day. To celebrate this fact, we are having Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September as European Languages Day. As we plan for this event, I ask for any family members who speak a European language fluently to get in touch with me if they would like to be involved in some way.

Finally, I would like to thank parents for their efforts in helping us with the drop off and pick up systems currently in place. I am confident that the longer drop off time of 8.30 – 8.50am has naturally spread the foot traffic evenly thus creating a steady flow of families in and around the school ground.

Please do continue to stick to the one way route that we have in place. Remind your children **NOT** to use the far side path which is coned off. This path is very uneven and would cause some damage were someone to fall on it.

Once on the playground at home time, please try to spread out as much as possible and do not congregate near path ways and gates so as to allow everyone to arrive and leave easily.

Thank you for your continued support. Enjoy the weekend.

Neil Garvey

