

Eythorne Elvington CP School

Friday 25th June 2021



At the end of next week, I will be sending home a survey which I would appreciate it if all parents could complete and return to school. At this time of year in particular, it is important that we re-evaluate what we have done as a school this year and how we are going to strengthen further next year. When I say “we”, I refer to our entire school community – staff, pupils, governors, parents and other local community members. It is vital that we get all of your honest opinions and viewpoints to allow us to build a bigger picture as to where we are at as a school and subsequently how we are going to strive to become even better.

We all can see that the past two school years have been affected massively as a result of the COVID pandemic. Hopefully, with that easing somewhat it gives us the opportunity to look at everything we do as a school community. This is something we certainly have been doing as an entire staff over the past month or so in particular and will continue to explore in the coming weeks. I look forward to hearing all of your views on many school matters as part of this process.

Twitter

We are going to be using our school Twitter account again as a means of communicating with Parents. It is a quick way of sharing some of the experiences/events that take place in school every day. To follow what is happening simply go through the Twitter website or App and look to follow us at: @EythorneSchool

Next week, we will hold a competition on there for a pupil to win a £10 book voucher so log in to stand a chance of winning.

Year 6 Residential

This time next week, the Year 6 children will be on their way to their weekend residential at PGL in Osmington Bay, Dorset. During the weekend they will get involved in a variety of outdoor activities including a water sports session down in Weymouth which is where the London Olympics 2012 hosted all of its water sports activities. We are delighted that after all of the restrictions, this opportunity is still going to be possible for these children as a means of marking the end of their seven years here at Eythorne Elvington. Whilst at PGL, Mr Lamb and I will be meeting with the management to finalise details for next year's Year 6 cohort to have the same experience. By doing this early, it gives parents plenty of notice which helps, particularly around spreading payments over the course of a year. Once we have confirmation of this, we will of course write to those parents in due course.

Term 6

Monday 14th June – Thursday 22nd July

Dates for your Diary

2nd – 5th July - Year 6 Residential

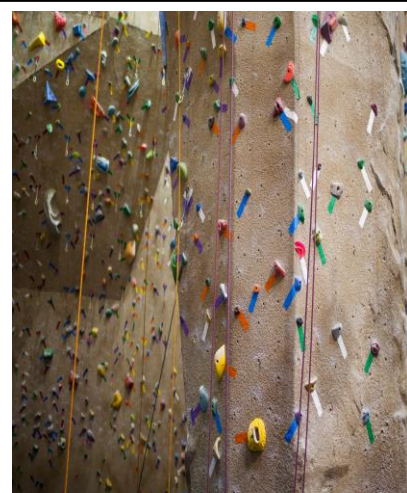
Forest School Term 6

Year 3/4 - AM
Discovery - PM

1st July
8th July
15th July

Clubs Commencing 21st June

Monday - Rounders and Spelling Squad
Tuesday - Lego
Wednesday - Cricket
Thursday - Infant and Junior Multi-Sports & Brain Trainer
Friday - Athletics





Reception Class Transition Events

We were very much looking forward to meeting some of our new pupils for September on this coming Monday. This was to be the first of three transition events for the children to come into Reception class and spend some time in there and to get to meet the adults. Unfortunately, due to the extension of current restrictions around COVID, such mixing of bubbles is not possible and so we have written to all parents involved to explain that these sessions cannot go ahead. We have penciled in to the school diary a potential for such transitions sessions to take place on Wednesday 21st July – hopefully following the relaxation of restrictions on 19th July. We will be writing to parents closer to the time to finalise these details.

Next School Year

This coming Friday (2nd July), I will be writing to all parents with regards the class structure for the next school year. This will explain which class your child is in and who the adults in that class are. On the morning of Wednesday 21st July, all children will get to spend time with the teachers that they will be having from September onwards.

Music Teacher

From September onwards, I am delighted to have as part of our team of staff Mr Miles as a specialist Music Teacher who will be working with our children every Friday. I have worked with Mr Miles in two primary schools previously over the past 14 years and I have been desperate to get him into Eythorne Elvington since I arrived here five years ago. As a result of his popularity amongst primary schools in Kent, we have had to wait for an opening in his busy timetable to be able to secure his services. I have no doubt that Mr Miles is going to take Music to a new level during his time with us. On the morning of Friday 16th July, Mr Miles will be doing an assembly for the children as a means of introducing himself to the school and showing off some of his musical talents.



Bikes

It has been fantastic to see children riding their bikes to school – this is a really important life school to master. Can I please ask that your child wears a helmet when on their bike for their own safety.

Football

This afternoon we have a team of 11 Key Stage Two children taking part in a football tournament up at Sibertswold Primary. It is great to be able to have events like this again and hopefully this is the first of many. We will be using our School Twitter account to keep parents updated LIVE – follow us @EythorneSchool

STARS OF THE WEEK

Discovery

Tyger – for an amazing week of Maths learning.

Willow - being a wonderful friend and helping others.

Voyager

Ezmae – for her perseverance and creativity with her writing in English.

Ellora – for some amazing Maths work this week looking at number to 100.

Atlantis

Jenson – for his hard work learning about time.

Mercedes – for her hard work learning about time

Columbia

Evelynn – Working hard on the presentation of work.

Stanley – for reading regularly at home and challenging himself.

Endeavour

Lily-May – for super work and clever thinking in Maths.

Imogen – for excellent use of vocabulary and expected features in writing.



Neil Garvey

Headteacher