

Eythorne & Elvington Newsletter

Week Commencing Tuesday 3 January

Welcome back to the first term of 2017, we hope you all had a good Christmas break and that the children are all set for a fantastic year at Eythorne Elvington Primary.

On the reverse of this letter you will find a **curriculum map** for the forthcoming term. Here you will find details of all of the areas of the curriculum each class will be covering over the course of the next six weeks. One of the reasons for giving you this information at the start of the term is to allow you to **spend time with your children to further enhance and support their development in these key areas of learning**. If you have any questions about how to go about doing this at home then as always please contact us for advice.

There will once again be **opportunities for you to come into classes** at some point during the term to allow you to spend time working alongside your children. In previous sessions since September, the feedback from all parties on these have been extremely positive, especially from the children who get a lot from such an activity. Dates for these will appear in a newsletter in the coming weeks.

We are currently reviewing the **reading resources** at school available to the children as the **importance of reading** in their overall development cannot be overestimated. We would encourage you to hear your children read on a daily basis as well as letting them hear you read stories also.

Over the past couple of terms, the children have received coaching from **specialised teachers in PE** on a weekly basis covering first football and more recently gymnastics. For the first spring term we have a coach from Dover Rugby Club working with the children on a Wednesday afternoon teaching **Tag Rugby** and he will also be holding an after school club.

Details of **extra-curricular clubs** will be circulated later on this week and these will commence with affect from next Monday (9th January).

The school **PTA** have asked for any **donations** you may be able to make for products suitable for the **Mothers Day stall** which occurs in March. Should you be able to offer anything then please send it into school with your child—many thanks.

From today we have a **new member of staff** join our school team. **Mrs Challinor** will be working in the office alongside Mrs Thornton between the hours of 8.30 –11.30am.

Key Dates

Tuesday 3 January	First day of Term 3
Friday 10 February	Last Day of Term 3
Monday 20 February	First Day of Term 4
Friday 31 March	Last Day of Term 4
Tuesday 18 April	First Day of Term 5
Friday 26 May	Last Day of Term 5
Monday 12 June	First Day of Term 6
Friday 21 July	Last Day of Term 6

