



Easington Church of England Primary School

Happy, healthy and fulfilled Friday 3rd February 2017



Dates for your diary – details to follow

Wed 8 th Feb	Worship at St. Mary's 9.30a.m.
Wed 8 th Feb	Cinema evening 4.45p.m.- 6p.m.
Thurs 9 th Feb	Mr Appleby's class Collective Worship 9.15a.m. all welcome
Thurs 9 th Feb	Parents Curriculum Evening 5 p.m.
Thurs 16 th Feb	Bend the Rules day
Fri 17 th Feb	Celebration worship 1.45p.m. parents and families welcome
Fri 17 th Feb	School closes for half-term break
Mon 27 th Feb	School re-opens
Wed 1 st Mar	Worship at St. Mary's 9.30a.m.
Thurs 2 nd Mar	World Book Day
Fri 3 rd Mar	Family Friday 9-9.30a.m./Stay and Play Ms Lilley's class 9-10a.m.
Wed 8 th March	Mrs Hetherington's/Miss Swan's class Collective Worship 9.15a.m. all welcome
Fri 10 th March	Spring Coffee afternoon 2.30p.m
Wed 15 th Mar	Worship at St. Mary's 9.30a.m.
Wed 22 nd Mar	Someone Special lunch
Thurs 3 rd Mar	Miss Wiseman's class Collective Worship 9.15a.m. all welcome
Mon 27 th Mar	Parental Consultation meetings YR/2/4/6
Tues 28 th Mar	Parental Consultation meetings Y1/3/5
Fri 31 st Mar	Celebration worship 1.45p.m. parents and families welcome
Wed 5 th April	Lent Service St Mary's 2.15 p.m.
Wed 5 th April	Discos – YR/1/2 4.45-5.45p.m. Y3/4/5/6 6-7p.m.
Thurs 6 th April	Ms Lilley's class Collective Worship 9.15a.m. all welcome
Fri 7 th April	Family Friday 9-9.30a.m./Stay and Play Ms Lilley's class 9-10a.m.
Fri 7 th April	Non-uniform day (in aid of School Fund)
Fri 7 th April	School closes for Easter break

Star Pupils

Jupiter	Jennifer Archer
Neptune	Ashton Lawson
Saturn	Jay Paxton
Mercury	Harry Hagel
Pluto	Emmeline Ruddell
Writer of the week	Amelie Stobart
Sportsperson of the week	Jacob Johnson
Mrs Swift's Special Book	Erin Rowe
Pupils' Pupil	Maks Smithson / FROG Group

Attendance

Jupiter	98.5
Neptune	98.4
Saturn	100
Mercury	100
Pluto	95

FROG group visit to Newcastle for Christingle Service

Yesterday our FROG (Fully Rely on God) group attended the Christingle service in Newcastle Cathedral accompanied by Mr Appleby and Rev'd Emma. During the morning they took part in a workshop about the work of the Children Society. After lunch they enjoyed the service. This was a wonderful opportunity for our children to meet other children in the Durham and Newcastle Dioceses and to worship. Our children were impeccably behaved and true ambassadors for our school.

Miss Swan's and Mrs Hetherington's class "flash mob"

I hope you enjoyed our impromptu dance on the yard on Tuesday morning. I was really impressed with the children's dancing and their enthusiasm. Watch out for another "flash mob" dance coming soon.....Mrs Swift

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. 1 Corinthians 4-8
The theme of our Collective Worship this week continues to be Saints and how they change lives.

Celebration Worship

Thank you to those parents and family members who joined us for Celebration Worship last Friday – it was lovely to see so many of you in school sharing the achievements of our children. We hope the short film "Love has no labels" made you think. In a world that sometimes doesn't make much sense I always remind our children that love is all you need. Mrs Swift.

Safer Internet Day

Unfortunately there was not enough interest in our Safer Internet Day assembly for parents to make it viable to run. The parents that did express an interest have been sent the presentation that we intended to share. We may look at exploring E-safety at a future Family Friday as our children have some very important messages to share with you including the one below regarding the App Musical.ly.

Musical.ly.

Imagine Vine, Instagram, YouTube and karaoke rolled into one, and you just about get Musical.ly. The latest app to get massively popular off the social video craze, Musical.ly lets you make and share music videos. Pick your song from within the app and dance or sing along for up to 15 seconds, choose from a variety of editing effects and share your video or save it privately. New apps come and go all the time but Musical.ly's popularity looks to be the real thing with more than 80 million registered users, many of whom are teens. CEOP have produced a guide for parents and carers explaining what Musical.ly is, how it works and how to help your child use it safely. Use the link below to download the guide <http://parentinfo.org/system/files/attachments/Musical%20ly%20Parent%20Guide.pdf>

Year Reception – hand washing

On Tuesday Nina, one of our school nurses, visited our YR class to speak with children about the importance of good hand washing. Each child had the opportunity to practice washing their hands to see if they could wash off "germs". Children checked they had washed off the "germs" under an ultra violet light. Nina taught the children a sequences of how to wash their hands. Thank you Nina for your time.

Gardening Club

Just to share with you that Gardening Club will not be resuming at Easter time. Funding from the Children in Need appeal has now unfortunately been withdrawn. Many apologies. We will of course let you know if an alternative arrangement can be made.

trust, thankfulness, hope, friendship, forgiveness



PIT PATTER!!



Come and join up with your marra's in the old Miners Hall for some paffer about the former pit days. Enjoy a free cuppa and scone and explore some old pit memorabilia.

**FREE GROUP SESSION FOR 8 WEEKS INCLUDES
TEA/COFFEE AND SCONES
DOMINOES/QUIZZES & OTHER ACTIVITIES
REUNITE WITH OLD FRIENDS & MAKE NEW ONES!
NO BOOKING REQUIRED, JUST TURN UP.**

Starts Thursday 9th February 2017

2:00pm – 4:00pm at Easington Social Welfare Centre,
Seaside Lane, Easington Colliery, County Durham,

SR8 3PL



Pit Patter

Please find opposite information about a new group session which has been set up by Durham Well-Being for life programme.

After School Activities

During the next couple of weeks we are looking to put together our offer of after school activities for the second half of the Spring Term. If you or a family member has a skill or hobby that you or they would be willing to share with our children during an after school activity I would be very grateful if you could contact me or Mrs Bowden-Stoker to discuss what this could look like. We are hoping to offer more activities this time and with your help hope this will be possible. Thank you in advance for your support, Mrs Swift.

Governing Body

Our Governing Body met on Wednesday and took part in a training session around SMSC (spiritual, moral, social and cultural development) provision. They were joined by Governors from other schools within our Peterlee Partnership Teaching Alliance. After the training Governors had the opportunity to discuss a number of current issues including a list of questions from the National School Commissioner for Governors which were published last term.

Free Benefit check

Please find opposite information about Free Benefit check sessions at Easington Children's Centre. This is a way to find out if your child is entitled to free school meals. If this is the case our school will then benefit from Pupil Premium funding from the Government. This funding benefits our school and your child for the rest of their primary school career even if your circumstances change. I strongly urge you to check if you are uncertain. Mrs Bowden-Stoker can also assist with Free School Meal checks. Mrs Swift.

SNAG meeting

Last week we held a SNAG (School Nutrition Action Group) meeting in school. Our SNAG consists of six children from different classes, a representative from our school meals provider and Mrs Swift. Also at this meeting was a representative from Durham LA. The aim of our SNAG group is to ensure that every child is offered a balanced meal at lunchtime - in line with Government Food Standards for School.

During the meeting the group tasted banana muffins – which every agreed were delicious and planned our next themed lunch day which will be World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March. Watch this space for further details

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Free Benefit Check

At Easington Children's Centre
Every Tuesday starting 7 February 2017
9.00 - 10.00am

Pop in to one of our drop in sessions to find out what you are entitled to.

A benefit check takes on average 8 minutes to complete.
Billions of benefits and tax credits go unclaimed every year.

For more information please contact:
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