



# Easington Church of England Primary School

Happy, healthy and fulfilled Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2017



## Dates for your diary – details to follow

Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Mrs Hetherington's/Miss Swan's class Collective Worship 9.15a.m. all welcome - CANCELLED
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Spring Coffee afternoon 2.30p.m
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Worship at St. Mary's 9.30a.m.
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	Someone Special lunch
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	Miss Wiseman's class Collective Worship 9.15a.m. all welcome (mistakenly last week it read 3 <sup>rd</sup> March)
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Parental Consultation meetings YR/2/4/6
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Parental Consultation meetings Y1/3/5
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Celebration worship 1.45p.m. parents and families welcome
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Lent Service St Mary's 2.15 p.m.
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Discos – YR/1/2 4.45-5.45p.m. Y3/4/5/6 6-7p.m.
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> April	Ms Lilley's class Collective Worship 9.15a.m.
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> April	Family Friday 9-9.30a.m./Stay and Play 9-10a.m.
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> April	Non-uniform day (in aid of School Fund)
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> April	School closes for Easter break
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> April	School re-opens for Summer Term for children
Throughout May	Assessment and testing for all year groups. Leave of Absence will not be granted
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Bank Holiday - school closed for children
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	PDDay - school closed for children
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Family Friday 9-9.30a.m./Stay and Play 9-10a.m.
w.b. 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 Statutory Testing week
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Cinema evening 4.45p.m.- 6p.m.
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Mr Appleby's class Collective Worship 9.15a.m
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Parents Curriculum Evening 5 p.m.
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Miss Swan's/Mrs Hetherington's class Collective Worship 9.15a.m. all welcome
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Celebration worship 1.45p.m. parents and families welcome
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Whole School Sports Afternoon 1.45 p.m.
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Non-uniform day (in aid of School Fund)
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> May	School closes for half-term break

### Star Pupils

Jupiter	Charlie Armstrong
Neptune	Demi Gatiss
Saturn	Anashe Ngwenya and Ruvarashe Ngwenya
Mercury	Amelia West
Pluto	Ayana Sonogami
Writer of the week	Erin Rowe
Pupils Pupil	Valentine Cooper / Ollie Francis
Sportsperson of the week	Ellie Palme /Ayana Sonogami / Isla Johnson / Isabelle Hall
Mrs Swift's Special Book	Lucas Wilkes

### Attendance

Jupiter	99.3
Neptune	99.2
Saturn	100
Mercury	100
Pluto	96.4

### Spring Term Writing Challenge

We received two entries for our latest Writing Challenge and our Governors were very impressed with both – indeed they were so impressed that decided to award each child a book. Congratulations to Maddie Atkinson Y1 and Ava Ruddell Y3 - I'll definitely be using some of your ideas – Mrs Swift.

*Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.* James 4:10 The theme of our Collective Worship this week has been Lent.

### World Book Day – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

We had a lovely day yesterday celebrating World Book Day. Children enjoyed sharing stories with other children in their House team whilst enjoying hot chocolate. We also enjoyed a World Book Day themed lunch. Thank you to those who donated books to go in our school library today. Along with this week's newsletter each child has brought home a Book Token. As the WBD website says: When you get your book token, all you need to do is to take it to your local bookseller (there's lots of them out there) and swap it for one of the TEN (exclusive, new and completely free) World Book Day books! Or, if you'd prefer, you can use your book token to get £1 off any full price book instead! And if you'd rather get an audio book, that's fine too! It's your choice, just as long as the book or audio book costs at least £2.99

Then all YOU have to do is take your book home and enjoy it.

### Spring Coffee afternoon in aid of Save the Children – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2.30p.m.

We look forward to seeing you at our Spring coffee afternoon at 2.30p.m. on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March. Weather permitting this will take place on our school yard. Tea, coffee, juice and biscuits/cakes will be available - £2 per adult and £1 per child. We are going to raffle a giant teddy bear and have some "Spring" activities for children to enjoy. All proceeds will go towards the charity Save the Children – this charity was chosen by our School Council.

### Residential visits

The following staff will be accompanying children on this year's residential visits:

- Y3/4 Beamish camping – Mrs Hetherington, Mr Appleby and Mr Robertson
- Y5/6 London – Mrs Swift, Mrs Appleby and Mr Appleby

### Governing Body

At our full Governing Body meeting on Wednesday Mrs Humphries stepped down as our Chair of Governors. Mrs Humphries has been a great support for our children, staff and personally for me for the past three and a half years and I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all she has done for our school. We are fortunate that Mrs Humphries will remain as a Governor. Miss Claire Mitchell was appointed as our new Chair of Governors. Mrs Swift

*trust, thankfulness, hope, friendship, forgiveness*



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## Mrs Swift's Lent Challenge

This year my Lent challenge is for classes to take part in. Earlier this week each class was presented with a £20 note in Collective Worship. My challenge is for each class to use this money to make money! The class which makes the most money will have their profit double from School Fund. Any money made will be present on the class who raised the money. Each class has a time after school to make their money – more details will be available nearer the time:



- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April Pluto class
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April Mercury class
- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April Saturn class
- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April Neptune class
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April Jupiter class

We look forward to your support with our enterprise projects. Mrs Swift

## A message from Durham LA - School admission arrangements 2018/19

All schools and academies in County Durham have agreed their admission arrangements starting from September 2018. This includes information on how school places are offered (known as the coordinated admissions scheme), number of school places available at each school, admission policy and oversubscription criteria.

We have a statutory duty to make sure that there are sufficient school places available in County Durham for every child whose parents/carers wish them to have one. We work in partnership with schools and academies to make sure parental preference can be met as far as possible. As a result of this work we continue to be well above the national average for both primary and secondary school preferences.

Admission arrangements are consulted on with Governing Bodies and all schools and academies. For further information please see

<http://www.durham.gov.uk/article/5109>

## Up cycling and recycling.....

Thank you to those who supported us this week with our Toy Sale and Fire Fighters Charity bag appeal. We raised £85 at the Toy Sale which will be put into School fund. We will let you know the total for the clothing collection very soon.

## Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March - Mrs Hetherington's/Miss Swan's class Collective Worship

Unfortunately this class led worship has been cancelled. We hope to be able to rearrange another date in the near future and will let parents know asap.

## News from St. Mary's

Please find below information from St. Mary's about the Talking Jesus Project and information about a course which is taking place in school.

### Talking Jesus 2017 Update

#### Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March:

8.00am-1.00pm Art on the Village Green (TBC). St Mary's Church is open to those wishing to visit or pray.

2.00pm The Women's World Day of Prayer at the Methodist Chapel, Easington Village.

7.00pm The Welfare Hall, An Evening of Music, Writing and Comedy.

#### Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March:

12.00pm-4.00pm The Church of the Ascension - prayers written and displayed in the church from local schools, outside performances from the Praise Band and a drama of The Parable of the Good Samaritan.

#### Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March:

3.00pm at Durham Cathedral, a service with Archbishop Sentamu.

#### Next Talking Jesus Meetings for all wanting to be involved:

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February, 5.00pm-7.00pm in the Church Hall

explore with us the enchanting tale of

# The Silver Chair

by C.S.Lewis

FROM THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA

A course about life, faith,  
and everything in between

Wednesday Evenings 5:30 - 6:45 pm

8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th March, 5th and 12th April

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Free Entry – please come to as many sessions as you like.

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