



Easington Church of England Primary School

Happy, healthy and fulfilled Friday 5th May 2017



Dates for your diary – details to follow. Recent up dates have been italicised

w.b. 8 th May	Y6 Statutory Testing week
Wed 10 th May	Cinema evening 4.45p.m.- 6p.m.
Thurs 11 th May	<i>Pluto class visit</i>
Thurs 18 th May	Saturn class Collective Worship 9.15a.m
w.b. 15 th May	<i>Christian Aid week</i>
Thurs 18 th May	Parents Curriculum Evening 5 p.m.
Thurs 18 th May	Jupiter class Collective Worship 9.15a.m. all welcome
Fri 19 th May	Celebration worship 1.45p.m. all welcome
Wed 24 th May	Whole School Sports Afternoon 1.45 p.m.
Fri 26 th May	Non-uniform day (in aid of School Fund)
Fri 26 th May	School closes for half-term break
Mon 5 th June	School re-opens
Tues 6 th June	<i>Y6 leavers service at Durham Cathedral</i>
Wed 7 th June	<i>Jupiter class visit</i>
Fri 9 th June	Family Friday 9-9.30a.m./Stay and Play 9-10a.m.
Wed 14 th June	<i>Neptune class visit</i>
Wed 14 th June	<i>Confirmation service 7p.m. venue TBC</i>
Thurs 15 th June	Pluto class Collective Worship 9.15a.m.
15 th /16 th June	Y3/4 Beamish Residential
Wed 21 st June	Easington's Got Talent final
Thurs 22 nd June	Jupiter class Collective Worship 9.15a.m
Fri 23 rd June	Celebration worship 1.45p.m. all welcome
28-30 th June	Y5/6 London visit
Thurs 6 th July	Miss Wiseman's class Collective Worship 9.15
Fri 7 th July	Family Friday 9-9.30a.m./Stay and Play 9-10a.m.
Fri 7 th July	Summer Fayre 2.30p.m. School Hall
Wed 12 th July	Annual Reports to parents
Wed 19 th July	Discos – YR/1/2 4.45-5.45p.m. Y3/4/5/6 6-7p.m.
Thurs 20 th July	Y6 leavers service St. Mary's 2.15p.m
Fri 21 st July	School closes for summer break

Attendance

Jupiter	97.5
Neptune	91.3
Saturn	95.5
Mercury	74.1
Pluto	100

Star Pupils

Our Celebration Worship will take place on Monday so this week's Star Pupils will be on next week's Newsletter.

House Team points

Last term Aidan (again!) won the most team points throughout the term. Jenny (Team Captain) and I will be meeting next week to discuss the reward for her team members.

We are looking forward to seeing which team gains the most points this term – keep working hard and doing the right thing to earn points!

I called out to the Lord, out of my distress, and he answered me Jonah 2:2

The theme of our Collective Worship this week has been The Bible - Moses and Jonah.

Thank you.....

After a particularly busy week which has culminated in our SIAMS inspection today, I, on behalf of our children, staff and Governors, would like to thank you for your amazing support this and every week. This week this has included parents and family members joining us in worship at St. Mary's on Wednesday and joining us in school on Thursday when Neptune class led worship so beautifully. Thank you for your kind and supportive words and for the written feedback which we used as evidence during our SIAMs inspection.

Thank you to each and every parent and family member who joined us for Family Friday/Stay and Play today – it was, as always, a lovely occasion giving the opportunity for our school community to work together. Thank you to those parents who spoke with Mr Tait our inspector following Family Friday/ Stay and Play – your kind words mean so much and your support for our school is much appreciated and valued.

I will write to you, as soon as I have permission, with the outcome of our SIAMs inspection. Whatever the outcome I am proud to be Head Teacher here at Easington CofE Primary School and having the privilege of working with your amazing children. Mrs Swift

Green Rangers

Last week Ms Lilley took our Green Rangers (Eco Group) to visit our "adopted" pond in Easington Colliery Nature Reserve for a second visit. While they were there they enjoyed pond dipping and spent time investigating what is living in our pond. They have two further visits scheduled between now and the end of term.

Confirmation

I am delighted that three of our children have decided to be confirmed this year. The date for the service is Wednesday 14th June 7.30p.m. and it is taking place here at St Mary's in Easington. Please put this date in your diary – it would be lovely to see you there supporting our children as they confirm their commitment to God.



Trust, thankfulness, hope, friendship, forgiveness



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PPTSA (Peterlee Partnership Teaching School Alliance) Children's Festival Planning

Also last Mr Appleby took Maddie, Josh and Ava to Wingate Infant School to take part in a planning meeting for the PPTSA Children's Festival which takes place every July. This was a great opportunity for our children to not only meet with children from other schools but to work together to plan the theme and activities for the day. Watch this space for more details.....

FROG (Fully Rely on God) group

This week FROG group met with some new members and Miss Mitchell, our Chair of Governors, who is now also a member. We looked at the Collective Worship timetable for this term which outlines when FROG group lead Collective Worship in classes. We then spent some time looking at Bible quotes linked to our School Values of thankfulness, trust, hope, forgiveness and friendship. After that members of the group visited each classroom to review their Refection Area. The session ended with FROG group members being set a challenge to make a welcoming leaflet for visitors to our school.

Christian Aid week

Christian Aid strives for a new world transformed by an end to poverty, and campaigns to change the rules that keep people poor. It is an agency of the churches in the UK and Ireland, working wherever need is greatest – irrespective of religion or race. Christian Aid believes in strengthening people to find their own solutions to the problems they face, and so supports local organisations, which are best placed to understand local needs, as well as giving help on the ground through 16 overseas offices. This year Christian Aid week is the week beginning Sunday 14th May. On Tuesday 16th May Mrs Gregory (Head of RE) and a class of students from Easington Academy are coming to our school to help our children explore this years theme around refugees and their plight. During the day children the Academy students will work with each class to explore the challenges facing refugees – we are also lucky to be joined again by Emma who works for Christian Aid who will lead our worship. To raise funds for this charity we are inviting children to bring their own backpack to school for the day along with a suggested donation of £1. FROG group will also be selling hot chocolate and cookies at breaktime for £1. We look forward to your support with our fundraising efforts for Christian Aid week this year. Further information about Christian Aid week can be found here <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/christian-aid-week>

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Cinema Evening

We will be holding a 'Cinema Evening' on **Wednesday 10th May 2017** for all pupils, from 4.45pm – 6.15pm (approximate finish time).

Children will be watching Trolls (U rating) in the school hall.

If your child would like to attend, please complete the slip below and return the slip, along with £4.00, to school by Tuesday 9th May. This will include entrance fee, drink, crisps and sweets.

Please note that children must be collected after the screenings as we cannot be held responsible for children leaving unaccompanied after 6.15 p.m.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Swift
Head Teacher

'Cinema Evening' on Wednesday 10th May 2017

Child's NameYear Group

I agree my child can attend and that I will collect my child after the screening at 6.15pm.
I enclose £4.00