

Easington Church of England Primary School



Happy, healthy and fulfilled Friday 6th January 2017

Dates for your diary - details to follow			
Wed18 th Jan	Worship at St. Mary's 9.30a.m.		
Thurs 26 th Jan	Mrs Appleby's class Collective Worship 9.15a.m. all		
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Fri 27 th Jan		ip 1.45p.m. parents and families	
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Fri 3 rd Feb	Family Friday 9-9.30a.m./Stay and Play Ms Lilley's		
Tues 7 th Feb	class 9-10a.m.		
Wed 8 th Feb	Safer Internet Day		
Wed 8 th Feb	Worship at St. Mary's 9.30a.m.		
Thurs 9 th Feb	Cinema evening 4.45p.m 6p.m. Mr Appleby's class Collective Worship 9.15a.m. all		
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Thurs 9 th Feb	Parents Curriculum Evening 5 p.m.		
Thurs 16 th Feb	Bend the Rules day		
Fri 17 th Feb			
	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. Ma	ry's 9.30a.m.	
Thurs 2 nd Mar	World Book Day		
Fri 3 rd Mar	Family Friday 9-9	Family Friday 9-9.30a.m./Stay and Play Ms Lilley's	
th	class 9-10a.m.		
Wed 8 th March	Mrs Hetherington's/Miss Swan's class Collective		
Fri 40th Manuals	Worship 9.15a.m.	all welcome	
Fri 10 th March	Spring Coffee afternoon 2.30p.m		
Wed 15 th Mar Wed 22 nd Mar	Worship at St. Mary's 9.30a.m.		
Thurs 3 rd Mar	Someone Special lunch		
Thurs 3 rd Mar Miss Wiseman's class Collective Worship 9.15 all welcome		lass Collective Worship 9.15a.m.	
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	urs 6 th April Ms Lilley's class Collective Worship 9.15a.m. all		
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Fri 7 th April		30a.m./Stay and Play Ms Lilley's	
class 9-10a.m.			
Fri 7 th April Fri 7 th April	Non-uniform day (in aid of School Fund)		
Star Pupils			
Jupiter		Will McCabe	
Neptune		Keiran Halliday	
Saturn		Lacey Brown	
Mercury		Millie Weatherall	
Pluto		Grace Wright	
Mrs Swift's Special Book		Frankie Laight	
Pupils Pupil		Maks Smithson	
Attendance			
Jupiter		98.7	
Neptune		97.2	
Saturn		100	
Mercury		94.1	
Pluto		100	

Lexia

We have recently reviewed our use of Lexia in school. As we have only 60 licenses we have chosen 60 children to use the programme this term and we will review their use of the programme at the end of this term. If your child has a license for Lexia they will receive a letter today. Please encourage your child to use Lexia frequently as it really does make a difference to attainment in reading. Mrs Swift

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem Matthew 2:1 The theme of our Collective Worship this week was Epiphany - the 12th day of Christmas and the official end to the festive season for many Christians. The ancient Christian feast day is significant as a celebration of the baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist. Epiphany also marks a visit of the Wise Men to the baby Jesus.

Welcome back!

Welcome back to school after the Christmas break. We are looking forward to an exciting term ahead of us and are pleased that children have come back to school ready to listen and learn.

Thank you for the presents which staff received for Christmas – we were overwhelmed by your generosity. Mrs Swift

Advent service - St. Mary's

Thank you to those who donated to the offering plate during this service. In total £45.17 was donated to St. Mary's church.

Worship at St. Mary's - Spring Term Dates

We will be worshipping at St. Mary's on the dates below. As always, parents and family members are most welcome to join us for worship.

- Wednesday 18th January 9.30a.m.
- Wednesday 8th February 9.30a.m.
- Wednesday 1st March 9.30a.m. Ash Wednesday
- Wednesday 15th March 9.30a.m.
- Wednesday 5th April 2.15p.m. Lent Service

Family Friday/Stay and Play – Friday 6th January

Thank you to those who attended Family Friday/Stay and Play today. It was wonderful to see our school so busy with parents and family members learning alongside children. Thank you also to those who helped us to begin the process of reviewing our Mission Statement. We are going to review our Mission Statement with other members of our school community next.

Spring Term After School Activities

After School Activities start on Monday 9th January. Mrs Bowden-Stoker sent home a letter outlining our new range of clubs earlier in the week. Please ensure forms and money are sent into school as soon as possible to secure your child's place at these activities.

PE kit

Just a reminder that we expect children to have their PE kit (both indoor and outdoor) in school every day.

Cold Weather

The children will still be enjoying break times outdoors during the winter months, so please could you make sure they have hats and gloves with them. Thank you.



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Our links with the Diocese of Durham

Diocese Newsletter

In December we had a full page spread in the Durham and Newcastle Joint Education Board Newsletter to Schools. This newsletter goes to every C of E Primary school in the Durham and Newcastle Dioceses and is a wonderful to celebrate the work of our school. Governors were particularly delighted that the article showed the amazing work of three of our "pupil voice" groups - FROG group, Eco Club and our Junior Road Safety Officers. Well done to all involved! Mrs Swift

Lesotho Link

In December our FROG group raised a fantastic £107 selling Hot Chocolate and Cookies for the Diocese of Durham Lesotho link. Rev'd Emma is going to tell our children more about the Lesotho link this term. Further information about the link can be found here http://www.durham-

lesotholink.org.uk Thank you to all who donated. Mrs Swift



Toilet Twinning



Our FROG (Fully Rely On God) group decided that they would like to twin one of our school toilets with a toilet in another country. Toilet Twinning provides people in the poorest communities on the planet with a decent toilet, clean water and all the information they need to stay healthy. It's the key to helping whole communities break free of the poverty trap.

FROG group organised a biscuit sale in school which raised £60 to fund the project. The donation is used by Tearfund to provide clean water, basic sanitation, and hygiene education. This vital combination works together to prevent the spread of disease.

Children are healthier, and able to go to school; parents are well enough to work their land and grow enough food to feed their family. With better health, and more ability to earn a living, men and women discover the potential that lies within them to bring transformation.

A toilet in school is now twinned with a latrine in Rutuna Province, Burundi. Our school is the proud owner of a personalised certificate, complete with a colour photo of our twin and GPS coordinates so we can look up your twin on Google Maps. Family by family, community by community, nation by nation, we are flushing away poverty.

For further information please visit http://www.toilettwinning.org

Eco Club update

A huge thank you to Leah, Jenny, Aaron, Alice, Ava, Amie and Lilly, all our Eco Club Leaders across our school who have worked very hard during 2016 to ensure that the children here at Easington C of E School now have recycle bins in their classrooms and outside on the playground. They have played a large part in helping Ms Lilley to achieve her Middle Leaders Certificate through the Peterlee Partnership Teaching School Alliance by completing a sustainability project called Why do we need to change the bins?' Well done Eco Club!



JRSO event



In June our JRSO's (Junior Road Safety Officers) attended an end of year celebration at Durham County Hall. Ava Keegan, Alyssa Lawton, Poppy Watt, Matthew Flanagan and Charlie Hagel were recognised for all of their hard work throughout the year, which has involved making parents and children more aware of where to park around school and the importance of sticking to the speed limit. The children have carried out their role extremely sensibly and conscientiously, organising competitions and working alongside our local police officers. With the help of Councillor Surtees (our school governor), the children designed two fantastic banners focusing on road safety, which will be displayed

outside of school from September. The event was a huge success and I was very proud of how our JRSO's represented our school.

Easington Deanery Plan

A number of our children have also had their art work included in the Easington Deanery Plan - see below. A copy of this plan can be viewed in our school entrance and at http://easingtondeanery.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/LATEST-DEANERY-PLAN-V1-25-The-Deanery-of-Easington-Final.pdf





Deanery Plan -November 2016

