

Easington Church of England Primary School

Happy, healthy and fulfilled

NEWSLETTER 22nd January 2016

Dates for your diary – details to follow

Wed 27 th Jan	9.30a.m. church – all welcome
Mon 1 st Feb	“Upcycling” Toy Sale – new event
Thurs 4 th Feb	Parents Curriculum Evening 5 p.m.
Fri 5 th Feb	Family Friday
Mon 8 th Feb	Y6 London visit
Tues 9 th Feb	Safer Internet Day
Wed 10 th Feb	Ash Wednesday 9.30a.m. church – all welcome
Wed 10 th Feb	Cinema evening 5 p.m. Please note change of date
Thurs 11 th Feb	YR/1 Collective Worship -parents invited 9.15 a.m.
Thurs 11 th Feb	“Bend the rules day” in aid of School Fund Please note new event in place of non-uniform day Fri 12th
Fri 12 th Feb	Parents invited to Celebration Worship 1.45p.m.
Fri 12 th Feb	School closes for half-term break
Mon 22 nd Feb	School re-opens
Wed 2 nd March	9.30a.m. church – all welcome
Wed 2 nd March	<i>Someone Special lunch – new event</i>
Thurs 3 rd March	World Book Day
Fri 4 th March	Family Friday
Fri 4 th March	Spring Coffee morning 10 a.m.
Wed 9 th March	Open Afternoon (drop-in) for parents to view books 2-4p.m. – new event
Mon 14 th Mar	Parental Consultation meetings YR/2/4/6
Tues 15 th Mar	Parental Consultation meetings Y1/3/5
Wed 16 th Mar	9.30a.m. church – all welcome
Thurs 17 th Mar	Y5/6 Collective Worship – parents invited 9.15 a.m.
Fri 18 th Mar	Parents invited to Celebration Worship 1.45p.m.
Wed 23 rd Mar	Lent Service St Mary’s 2.15 p.m.
Wed 23 rd Mar	Discos – YR/1/2 4-5.15p.m. Y3/4/5/6 5.30-6.45p.m.
Thurs 24 th Mar	Non-uniform day (in aid of School Fund)

Star Pupils

Year Reception	Frankie Laight
Year One	Amelie Stobart / Lacey Brown
Year Two	Matthew Delanoy
Year Three	Archie Paxton
Year Four	Ava Keegan/Arthur GoldenShilaw
Year Five	Erin Rowe
Year Six	Leah Bennett
Sports Person of the week	Millie Weatherall
Pupils Pupil	Tilly Brennan/ James Hutchinson

Mrs Swift’s Special Book

Harry Armour

Writer of the Week

Leo Delanoy

Attendance week ending Friday

Class 1	92.80
Class 2	99.38
Class 3	95.33
Class 4	89.05

Upcycling Toy Sale

We are holding Toy Sale on Monday 1st February. Further details will be sent in a letter next week. Thank you in advance for your support with this fundraising event.

E-safety

On the reverse of this week’s newsletter please find an e-safety guide about how to manage privacy and set parental controls from intermatters.org. We take Internet Safety very seriously at school and hope you find this guide useful at home.

“I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.” Philippians 4:13

Wintery weather plans

As wintery weather is still with us please can I remind you that if I need to close school due to Health and Safety reasons I would inform Durham LA who would advertise the details on their web site.

<http://www.durhamlea.org.uk/schoolclosures.aspx> Also I would inform **local radio stations** that school will be closed at the earliest convenience. Hopefully if school is accessible a text message would be sent. Thank you Mrs Swift

A message from Easington Colliery Library

We are planning some fun days for children! On Saturday 6th Feb we are celebrating National Library Day with a fun morning at the library from 9.30 – 12.30. There will be refreshments, crafts and a small gift for every child borrowing books on that day. The following Saturday, 13th Feb (9.30-12.30) we will be making Valentines cards and treats.

On Saturday 6th March (9.30-12.30) we are celebrating Mothers’ Day by making cards and gifts.

Learning how to spell

We are currently trialling a new approach to spelling. We want our children to learn how to spell not to learn spellings- by this we mean we want children to understand the patterns of words and their derivations rather than children learning words in isolation without a context to write them in. As part of this trial your child may be asked to investigate words as part of their homework and not simply learn spellings (and then not apply them to their writing!) We will review the outcomes of this trial in due course and let you know of our findings and next steps.

After School Care

Thank you to those who replied to our recent letter about After School Care. We are now exploring the possibility of making this happen and whether it is financially viable. We will let you know the outcomes as soon as possible.

Celebration Worship

It was lovely to see parents and family members joining us for Celebration Worship today. We hope you enjoyed sharing our celebrations. The next opportunity for parents to join us for Celebration Worship is Friday 12th February 1:45p.m.

Green Tree Schools Award

We have recently joined the scheme and are currently working towards our Bronze award, for this we need to achieve 5 points. Schools gain points for completing activities and progress through bronze, silver and gold levels to the prestigious platinum award. We have applied for ‘Free Trees’ through the Woodland Trust which will give us 2 points and 30 trees to plant in our school grounds. A way in which you can help earn another point is to recycle old Christmas cards at the recycling bins in Marks and Spencer’s. Or recycling mobile phones or ink cartridges at Currys PC world. All we need is a picture from your phone of you dropping the items into the recycling bins. We hope you can help us on our way to the Bronze award. Thank you so much.