



Easington Church of England Primary School

Newsletter Friday 18th October 2024

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Diary Dates

Autumn Term 2024

Fri 25th Oct	Harvest Festival Lunch
Fri 25th Oct	Celebration Worship 2.30pm families welcome
NEW DATE	
Fri 25th Oct	Non-uniform day (in aid of School Fund)
Fri 25th – Sun 3rd Nov	Autumn Half Term – School Closed
Mon 4th Nov	School reopens
Thur 7th Nov	Open Afternoon for prospective parents 2-5pm
Fri 8th Nov	Bacon/Sausage Butty morning 8.15am
Fri 8th Nov	Family Friday 9-9.30a.m./Stay and Play Ms Lilley's class Theme – Anti Bullying Week
Mon 11th Nov	Seaton Holme - Armistice Day Commemoration 10.45-11.05am – Families welcome
Tues 12th Nov	Mrs Appleby's Class Collective Worship 9.15am all welcome
Wed 20th Nov	Whole School at Church 9:30am – families welcome
Mon 25th Nov	Parental Consultation meetings
Tue 26th Nov	Parental Consultation meetings
Thur 28th Nov	Phototronics – individual photographs and siblings (including younger siblings who have not yet started school) 8.30am
Mon 2nd Dec	Non-uniform day (donations in aid of Christmas Fair)
Thur 5th Dec	Open Afternoon for prospective parents 2-5pm
Fri 6th Dec	Family Friday 9-9.30a.m./Stay and Play Ms Lilley's class Theme – Reading for pleasure
Fri 6th Dec	Tree Lighting at Seaton Holme 3.30pm
Mon 9th Dec	Reception and Year 1 Nativity - time to be confirmed PM
Tues 10th Dec	Reception and Year 1 Nativity - time to be confirmed AM
Wed 11th Dec	Advent Service St. Mary's 2.15pm. All welcome
Thur 12th Dec	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 13th Dec	Christmas Market 3.30pm
Mon 16th Dec	School Choir Christmas Concert 4.30pm
Tues 17th Dec	Christmas Party/Disco – YR/1/2 4.45-5.45pm Y3/4/5/6 6-7pm
Fri 20th Dec	Non-uniform day
Fri 20th Dec	School closes for Christmas break
Fri 20th Dec – Sun 5th Jan	Christmas Holidays - School Closed
Mon 6th Jan	School Closed - PD Day for school staff
Tues 7th Jan	School reopens

Stars of the week Friday 18th October 2024

Ms. Lilley's Class – ELM	William E
Miss Defty's Class – OAK	Aria J
Mr Churchill's Class – MAPLE	Seb A
Mrs Appleby's Class - WILLOW	Addison D-B
Mr Nelthorpe's Class– SYCAMORE	Isla M
Miss O'Neil's Class - PINE	Joshua P
Pupils' Pupil	Maggie S / Isabella K
Staff member of the week	Mr Nelthorpe

Attendance week commencing Monday 14th October 2024

Reception	100
Year 1	99.17
Year 2	99.05
Year 3	98.89
Year 4	93.33
Year 5	100
Year 6	98.0

Netball Superstars



On Thursday our Netball team played in the School Sports Partnership competition at Dene House. The children were amazing and played with honesty, integrity and showed great skills. They worked as a team and supported each other. Thank you to Laura and Sharon for giving their own time to work with the children every week.

Visitor to our EYFS class 😊 – Greg Botterill

On Thursday we had an Early Years Specialist visit our school to spend some time in Ms Lilley's class. Greg has worked in schools all over the country for many years. After spending the morning with our wonderful reception children and staff, he commented that he had never seen a reception class with children so settled and happy this early in the academic year and was amazed at the calmness and expectations of our staff, and how the children responded to this. Another amazing piece of feedback following our SIAMS report this week.

Home – School Agreement

As well as our newsletter, this week you will also receive our Home – School Agreement. Please take time to read this important document. Many thanks, Mr Appleby

Open Afternoons

Thursday 7th November

and Thursday 5th December

Drop in between 2.00-5.00pm



Please help us spread the word about our upcoming Open Afternoons



Come and have a look around our wonderful school to see what we offer our children and families.



SENDIASS Drop In

[Durham SEND Information Advice and Support Service \(SENDIASS\) drop-in sessions - Durham County Council](#)

Durham SEND Information Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS) is a statutory service supporting parents/carers of children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and children and young people with SEND.

They provide confidential, impartial support and advice for parents, carers, children and young people up to the age of 25 years in relation to special educational needs and disability. SENDIASS operates at 'arm's length' from the council.

SENDIASS run drop-in session at the Family Hubs. These are for parents and carers who are not currently open to or being supported by SENDIASS. If you already have an allocated SENDIASS caseworker, please contact them directly if you need any further advice.

If you have questions about your child's educational needs or provision you can pop into one of the monthly drop-in sessions in our Family Hubs.

We do not have strict appointment slots but anticipate that conversations will take around 20 minutes. If SENDIASS feel that more support if needed they will take your details to allocate a caseworker.

You don't need to go to the Family Hub closest to where you live, or nearest your child's school, you can go to whichever session suits you and your family best.

Easington Family Hub Whickham Street Easington Colliery SR8 3DJ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursday 7 November 2024, 9.30am to 11.30am Thursday 5 December 2024, 9.30am to 11.30am
Peterlee Family Hub Ellison Road Peterlee SR8 5NJ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday 23 October 2024, 12.45pm to 2.45pm Wednesday 27 November 2024, 12.45pm to 2.45pm
Seaham Family Hub North Terrace, Seaham. SR7 7EU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 28 October, 9.30am to 11.30am Monday 25 November, 9.30am to 11.30am Monday 23 December, 9.30am to 11.30am

Educational Psychologist Drop In

[Educational Psychology drop-in sessions for parents and carers - Durham County Council](#)

Educational psychologists help children and young people with a wide range of different needs, such as, learning, communication and language, social and emotional-wellbeing, practical skills or being independent.

We can help if, for example:

- You are worried your child isn't talking enough.
- You struggle to know what is best to do when your child has a 'tantrum'.
- You've noticed your child doesn't play with other children much.
- Your child is always on the go and doesn't sit still for any activity.
- Your child really struggles to be apart from you.

If you're concerned about your child, pop into one of our drop-in sessions, where one of our friendly team can offer advice, talk through your concerns and help you plan what to do next.

Easington Family Hub Whickham Street Easington Colliery SR8 3DJ	From 12.30pm to 2.30pm on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 21 November 2024
Seaham Family Hub North Terrace Seaham SR7 7EU	From 9.30am to 11.30am on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9 December 2024
Peterlee Family Hub Ellison Road Peterlee County Durham SR8 5NJ	From 12.30pm to 2.30pm on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 December 2024



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Daisy Chain coffee mornings and workshops

Daisy Chain will be running coffee mornings in Family Hubs for parents and carers of children diagnosed, on the pathway or who have been identified by a professional as having a need relating to autism, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), foetal alcohol spectrum disorder (FASD), sensory processing differences, anxiety and social and communication differences.

The groups will:

- listen, offer guidance and tell you about services that are available in your local area
- direct you to services that can make a difference and empower you
- increase your knowledge, understanding and skills to support your child

<p>Seaham Family Hub North Terrace, Seaham. SR7 7EU</p>	<p>Second Thursday of the month from 10.00am to 12 noon:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14 November 2024 • 12 December 2024
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Workshops

As well as coffee mornings, Daisy Chain are running in person workshops in Family Hubs. Topics include:

- Introduction to ADHD
- Good Autism Practice in Education Settings
- Supporting your Neurodivergent Child with Play Learning

<https://daisychainproject.co.uk/product/in-person-learning-workshops-durham/>

North East-Central, School Aged Immunisation Service

Has your child missed their flu vaccine?

It is not too late to protect them!

Our community clinics are:

- 28 October 2024 – Chester le Street Family HUB – 9am to 4pm
- 29 October 2024- Bishop Auckland family Hub – 9am to 4pm
- 1 November 2024 – Brandon Family Hub – 9 am to 4pm

To book onto a clinic please call 0333 3583 397, option 3, option 2

Monday – Friday 9AM – 5PM



Friday 25th October Harvest Festival Lunch

This special menu (below) will be served on Friday 25th October (last day of term) to all our children who usually have a school lunch. However, if your child usually has a packed lunch, but would like to join in with this special menu, there is no need to book. Your child can just say 'school lunch' to their teacher when the lunch register is

taken on the last day of term 😊 The price of £2.81 will then be added to ParentPay account (if your child is in year 3/4/5 or 6). If your child is in year R/1 or 2, there is no charge under the Universal Free School Meal scheme.

Friday 25th October

A few reminders regarding next Friday. For our last day of term, we will have a non-uniform day for the children along with our Celebration Worship for families taking place at 2.30pm in the school hall. (Our Reception Class will not be taking part in the Celebration Worship – this will begin next term). We hope to see you there 😊 Please remember that Teatime Club will not run on the last day of term.