



# Easington Church of England Primary School

## Newsletter Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2017



### Dates for your diary – details to follow.

2017-2018	
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Church 9.30a.m. – all parents and families welcome
w.b. 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Inter-faith week
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Parental Consultation meetings
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Parental Consultation meetings
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Jaguars Collective Worship 9.15a.m. all welcome
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Church 9.30a.m. – all parents and families welcome – new date
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Celebration worship 1.45p.m. all welcome
w.b. 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Bikeability Y5/6
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Family Friday 9-9.30a.m./Stay and Play class 9-10a.m.
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Phototronics – individual photographs – please note change of date</b>
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Church 9.30a.m. – all parents and families welcome
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Non-uniform day (donations in aid of Christmas Fair)
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Church 9.30a.m. – all parents and families welcome
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	YR Collective Worship 9.15a.m. all welcome
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Fair 2.30p.m. School Hall
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	YR KS1 Nativity time to be confirmed PM
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	YR KS1 Nativity time to be confirmed AM
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas lunch
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Advent Service St. Mary's 2.15p.m. All welcome
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Discos – YR/1/2 4.45-5.45p.m. Y3/4/5/6 6-7p.m.
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Non-uniform day (in aid of School Fund)
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	School closes for Christmas break
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	PDDay- school closed for children
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	School re-opens for Spring Term

### Star Pupils Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October

Lion	Amy Harrison
Jaguar	Leon Thorburn
Tiger	Harry Hagel
Leopards	Layla Broad
Puma	Aaron Hall
Resilience Award	Louise Weatherall
Writer of the week	Sasha Snowdon
Mrs Swift's Special Book	Leon Thorburn
Pupils Pupil	Maks Smithson / Olivia Curtis Dawson

### Attendance

Lion	97.6
Jaguar	98.2
Tiger	99.0
Leopards	96.3
Puma	94.8

### Sponsored Skip

I am delighted to announce that we raised over £450 following our Sponsored Skip. All of this money will be out into our School Fund which support visits out of school, visitors into school and the purchase of resources for our children.

### Buttons

Do you have any unwanted buttons at home? If yes, please can you donate them to our button collection in our main entrance? Our buttons will be used for an activity with our children next term – please ask friends and families if they have any spare buttons too – thank you.

### Children in Need – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November

During morning break children will be able to buy Pudsey Bear biscuits at a cost of 50p. All money raised will go to Children in Need. On this occasion we request that children wear their school uniform.

### Behaviour Policy

Please find below a link to our Behaviour Policy which can be accessed via our web site along with a number of other statutory policies (see About us/School Policies)

[www.easington-pri.durham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/124/2014/07/Behaviour-policy-MARCH-2017-to-be-reviewed-March-2020.pdf](http://www.easington-pri.durham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/124/2014/07/Behaviour-policy-MARCH-2017-to-be-reviewed-March-2020.pdf)

*For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.* John 3:16 The theme of our Collective Worship for this week has been a Time to Depend (God the Father) 'Give us this day our daily bread'

### Safeguarding update

A reminder that parents and family members should not use their mobile phones when visiting school – during Family Friday/ Stay and Play, class led worships, YR reading sessions etc. This is not only to safeguard our children but also to safeguard visitors. Thank you for your cooperation.

### Visitors from the Fire and Rescue Service

On Monday three members of the Fire Service visited our school to remind children of the dangers of fireworks and bonfires. Advice from County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service states "The smart way to stay safe is to go to an organised display. You'll see a lot more fireworks and it's a lot cheaper! If you do decide to use fireworks at home then please follow the advice below.

### 12 Steps to Staying Safe – The Firework Code

- Only buy fireworks over the counter from reputable retailers
- Don't drink alcohol if setting off fireworks.
- Keep fireworks in a closed box.
- Follow the instructions on each firework carefully.
- Light them at arm's length using a suitable taper.
- Stand well back.
- Never go back to a lit firework.
- Never put fireworks in your pocket.
- Never throw fireworks.
- Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves.
- Never give sparklers to children under five.
- Keep pets indoors.

### Mrs Swift's Writing Challenge

Congratulations to Ava, Olivia and Alyssa who responded to my writing challenge and received their prize in celebration Worship this afternoon. Mrs Swift

### Tigers collective worship

Thank you to parents and family members of children in Tigers class who joined us yesterday when the children in Tigers class will be led worship.

### St Mary's Service Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November

All parents and families members are welcome to join us in worship – the service begins at 9.30a.m.

### Operation Christmas Child

If your child would like to fill a shoe box for a child for Christmas please ensure it is brought into school on **Monday 13th November** – the boxes will then be delivered to a drop-off point. Each child was given a leaflet (before half-term) with instructions of how to fill a Christmas box. There is also further information on the web site [www.samaritanspurse.org.uk](http://www.samaritanspurse.org.uk)

### Poppy appeal

Starting on Monday we will be selling poppy merchandise on behalf of the British Legion as part of their annual Poppy Appeal. Items include: friendship bands £1, wristbands 50p, reflector keyings 50p, snap bands 50p. These items will be sold by members of Puma class who will visit each classroom during the afternoon sessions next week.

### [www.mymoneysense.com](http://www.mymoneysense.com)

This website is an impartial financial education programme designed to help young people towards a better financial future which parents may find useful when teaching children about money. We are planning to incorporate financial education into our curriculum in the new year.

*thankfulness, trust, hope, friendship, forgiveness*



## Something fishy going on at primary school in aid of RNLI



Easington Church of England Primary School sea themed fundraiser for the RNLI

## Did you see the article recently in the Sunderland Echo and Hartlepool Mail?

Primary pupils were certainly up to something fishy at their school as they support a lifesaving service. The children at Easington CE Primary School tucked into a fish supper to support the RNLI.

As part of the event, the youngsters also dressed up in an 'under the sea' theme to add to the fun. Andrea Swift, headteacher at the Easington Village school said everyone had a great day and enjoyed their lunch. The day was all part of the RLNI, Royal National Lifeboat Institution's latest fundraising campaign, Fish Supper - encouraging people to eat fish and raise cash to help towards the lifesaving work it carries out at sea. Mrs Swift, said: "Our FROG (Fully Rely on God) group decided that they would like to support this charity this year. So as well as holding our Fish Supper at lunchtime our children were invited to come to school dressed as something connected to the sea. I am delighted that our children not only raised any amazing £100 for the charity but also enjoyed the day in their wonderful outfits.



The school prides itself on being part of the community and taking part in numerous fundraising events, many have already been held this year. Other events have included a coffee morning in support of the road traffic accident charity, Brake, and a hot chocolate sale during Christian Aid week.

The headteacher said: "One of our school values is hope and our children and families are very generous in their charitable giving which in turn gives hope to others."

As well as raising money for others, staff and students at the Hall Walk school have also been celebrating success. The school recently clinched the silver award from the Educate and Celebrate Award Programme, which aims to encourage all schools and organisations to be LGBT+ friendly places. Educate and Celebrate is an Ofsted and DFE recognised programme that gives staff, students, parents and governors the confidence and strategies to implement a LGBT+ Inclusive curriculum to successfully eradicate homophobia, biphobia and transphobia from our schools and communities and, the school is delighted to have reached the standard. Also, Easington CE Primary is celebrating getting the bronze level in the Woodland Trust award for its environmental and outdoor projects.

