



EASINGWOLD

COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL



ECPS NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN TERM - 13TH DECEMBER 2024



Dear Parents/Carers,

Hello and welcome to our penultimate newsletter before the Christmas holidays! There has been such a lovely festive atmosphere around school this week. The Christmas post has been very popular and we have had some very happy faces when the delivery has arrived!

The highlight of the week was our Christmas lunch and jumper day. Thank you to our kitchen staff who work so hard all year but really pulled out all of the stops yesterday to give us a delicious meal.

I was able to attend the Year 2 Christmas crafts and songs event yesterday and was so impressed with the singing and levels of concentration for the craft activities. The parents really got into the spirit and I think they enjoyed the crafts even more than the children, we have some very creative parents out there! Thank you for joining us.



Well done to our Mini Leaders and Community Ambassadors who represented our school brilliantly at the Crib Service today. They did us proud and we were commended yet again on our behaviour and lovely manners.



Finally, Mrs Robson-Beck's class did a fantastic job of representing our school at the United Response Carol Service this week. Mrs Robson-Beck was super proud of her class who did a fantastic job singing and signing.



WORKERS OF THE WEEK:

Our Workers of the Week this week are:

- Reggie G - Mrs O'Neill's Class
- Archie RH - Mrs Cooper's Class
- Isla B - Mrs Scott-Mills's Class
- Reuben HL - Miss Housley's Class
- Abigail P - Mrs Wass's Class
- Nicole B - Miss Ripton's Class
- Finley R - Miss Galtrey's Class
- Frankie M - Mrs Hargreaves's Class
- Aryah C - Mrs Teasdale's Class
- Gracie T - Miss Mossop's Class
- Lewis R - Mrs Robson-Beck's Class
- Darcie R - Miss Potter/Mrs Hannam's Class

Well done to you all!



GOVERNOR UPDATE:

We held our second meeting of the academic year on Tuesday 2nd December. We discussed the school development plan and how we link this to the Ofsted feedback we received especially around Leadership and Management and Quality of Education. We noted the rise in attendance numbers and praised efforts of parents/carers and staff in getting these above the national average.

We got feedback on the new music development plan which involves brass lessons for our Year 5 & 6 pupils funded by EPIC. This has been a huge success and we are looking at how we can develop the offering for our Year 3 & 4 pupils.

We noted a report from the Resources Committee showing we have a balanced budget this year and with the rise in pupil numbers, this will help our longer term financial planning. The Resources Committee is also managing a project to install solar panels on the roof, we are now looking for a Project Manager to help us with the next stage.

Junior Parkrun was sadly not well attended on 1st December due to the appalling weather conditions. Huge thanks to the volunteers and children who braved the rain! We discussed ways to improve attendance and get our children more interested in running/PE.

We agreed to more training for our governors on behaviour processes and cyber security, both of which are gaps we have noted through our Skills Audit and are essential to support our behaviour policy and safeguarding our community.

We also sadly accepted the resignation of Mrs Kirsteen Parkes and would like to thank Mrs Parkes for her contribution over her term as a governor.

At every meeting we agree how our discussions have supported our children and staff. This meeting:

- we approved a balanced budget for the year giving us more financial security
- looked at how we can develop our extra curricular PE offer through Junior Parkrun
- agreed to improve governor knowledge with additional training which supports our school community in keeping our children and staff safe during school.

On behalf of the Governing Body, may I take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and hope you have a wonderful break. We look forward to seeing you in 2025!

Nikki Rowbottom
Chair of Governors

CLUBS:

After school Clubs have now finished for this term - there will be **no clubs next week**. In January we will be starting clubs afresh and will send through the list of clubs that children can sign up to for the Spring term.

MEDICATION:

A reminder that we are only able to administer prescribed medication and only if the prescription is for four doses a day (we can give a lunchtime dose). We are unable to administer medicine that is prescribed for three times a day.

We are also unable to administer Calpol or similar but parents/carers are able to come to school to administer this themselves, if they feel that their child needs it.

Please do not send any medication in with children or give any to the class teachers, please take it to the school office where it can be recorded and stored correctly and safely. Thank you.

EASINGWOLD TOWN BAND:

We've been asked to share the information below regarding Easingwold Town Band which may be of interest to you.



EASINGWOLD TOWN BAND
Beginners and Development Band

JOIN US

Rehearsals at the Bandroom
Friday Evenings:

♪ **Beginners 6:15pm – 6:45pm**
♪ **Development Band 7:15pm – 8:45pm**

Free instrument loan available

Croft Close, Easingwold YO61 3BD
contact@easingwoldtownband.org.uk

PARKING SAFELY:

A reminder to please ensure that you park safely at the front of school. Please do not park across the entrance or exit to the school car park or in the bus lane at drop off or pick up.

GOVERNOR VACANCY:

We are looking for a co-opted governor to join our Board. This means that you have skills that could be of use in a school environment, like management, finance, administration and so on. We meet 6 times a year split between on line and in person meetings and ask our governors to undertake visits to school once a term to make sure we are on track to achieve our development plans.

If you are interested in helping to support our school and our children in a different way, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact Nikki Rowbottom on chairofgovernors@easingwoldprimary.co.uk for more information or a no obligation chat about what being a governor involves.

PTA NEWS:

Secret Santa

Thank you to everyone who supported the event last week, these events could not happen without everyone's contribution so thank you for making this possible. We will share how much was raised very soon.

If you have any bags that the gifts were brought home in please can these be returned to the front of school on the 17th December. Jodie Curry will be collecting them to save for next year.

Christmas Raffle

If anyone else can volunteer to help with the raffle at the Reception Christmas sessions next week please let myself or a member of the PTA know. Thank you.

Devon Wells—PTA Chair

AND FINALLY:

A reminder that I will be getting married over the holidays and when I return my name will be Mrs Parratt.

Enjoy your weekend



Mrs A Cottrell
Headteacher

Your support for your child's education is crucial to their progress. Please let us know if there are any adjustments we need to make to help you support your child, for example: letters in large font; in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone?

Spare newsletters are available in the rack outside the school office, together with holiday forms and permission to administer medicine forms. Tel: 01347 821282 email: admin@easingwoldprimary.co.uk.

Primary Menu Week 3	'Green Earth Monday'	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main Meal	Cheese Pizza with Hash Brown	Beef Lasagne with Tomato Bread	Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Cottage Pie	Fish Fingers with Chips
Vegetarian Main Meal	Beany Shepherd's Pie	Cheese Pasta Spirals	Quorn Roast with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Vegetable Meatballs in Tomato sauce with Rice	Crispy Vegetable Fingers with Chips
Grab & Go Offer YEAR 5 & 6 ONLY	N/A	Main or Veggie option as above	N/A	Main or Veggie option as above	N/A
Vegetable Selection	Broccoli, Sweetcorn	Sweetcorn, Carrots	Green Beans, Carrots	Peas & Sweetcorn	Baked Beans, Peas
Jacket Potato Option	Freshly Baked Jacket Potato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna & Mayonnaise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans	Freshly Baked Jacket Potato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna & Mayonnaise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans	Freshly Baked Jacket Potato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna & Mayonnaise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans	Freshly Baked Jacket Potato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna & Mayonnaise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans	Freshly Baked Jacket Potato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna & Mayonnaise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans
Sandwich Option	Freshly Made Wrap with a choice of Cheese or Ham	Freshly Made Sandwich with a choice of Cheese or Tuna Mayonnaise	Freshly Made Wrap with a choice of Cheese or Ham	Freshly Made Baguette with a choice of Cheese or Tuna Mayonnaise	Freshly Made Sandwich with a choice of Cheese or Ham
Dessert	Apple Crumble & Custard	Chocolate Cookie & Fruit	Chocolate Crunch	Jam Roly Poly & Pink Custard	Lemon Drizzle cake



AUTUMN/SPRING TERM DIARY DATES:

Reception Christmas Songs, Poems and Stories:

(Parents are invited to attend one date only - please see email sent)

Monday 16th December 2.45pm - 3.10pm

Tuesday 17th December 2.45pm - 3.10pm

Wednesday 18th December 2.45pm - 3.10pm

Christmas Service at St John the Baptist and All Saints Church:

Friday 20th December -

Reception and KS1: parents/carers please arrive at 9.10am

KS2: parents/carers please arrive at 10.40am

Last day of term: Friday 20th December - Normal finish time

Training Day: Monday 6th January

School Reopens: Tuesday 7th January

Year 6 Bewerley Residential Parent Meeting (online): Thursday 9th January 6pm

Year 6 Bewerley Residential: Monday 10th - Friday 14th February

Year 5 Liverpool Residential: Wednesday 2nd - Friday 4th April

Year 4 East Barnby Residential: Wednesday 14th - Friday 16th May

Autumn 2024 club timetable

Day	Club	Teacher	Location	Time
Mon	Drawing (Year 3/4)	Miss Galtrey	Miss Galtrey's room	12.15pm -12.45pm
	Mindfulness Colouring (Year1)	Mrs Scott-Mills	Mrs Scott-Mill's room	12.30pm - 1.00pm
Tues	Board games (Year 3/4)	Mrs Hargreaves	Mrs Hargreaves' room	12.15pm - 12.45pm
Thurs	Mindfulness Colouring (Year 2)	Miss Ripton	Miss Ripton's room	12.45pm -1.15pm
	Coding (Year 5/6)	Mrs Robson-Beck	Mrs Robson-Beck's room	1pm - 1.25pm
Fri	Forest School (Year 2)	Mrs Wass	KS1 Field	12:15pm - 12:45pm