

Newsletter



4th November 2022

Dear parents/ carers,

Welcome back to the second half of our Autumn term! We hope that you have had a wonderful half term week and the children are ready for another half term of learning and fun. As the weather turns colder, it has been getting blustery and wet on the playground. It is so important that all children bring a warm, waterproof coat each day so that they can access our outdoor provision and learning.



Parent Consultations went well this week – teachers were able to share pupil targets for core areas of learning with parents and share their children's work. Thank you to all the parents who did book an appointment – Class 3 will have parent meetings at a later date.

Thankfulness

Our core Christian value for this half term is THANKFULNESS. God loves and cares for us in many different ways and in all aspects of our lives. Our response is one of thankfulness and praise. We will be using our worship time to focus on being grateful and showing our thankfulness towards others and for what we have. Class 1 have been singing 'If your thankful and you know it', an action song to help them to understand that being grateful is so positive. We also have a focus on what we are thankful for in our collective worship time. Talk to your child about being thankful as we count down to the period of Advent and Christmas.



Staffing update

We wish to express our thankfulness to Mrs Alisoun Phillips for all her hard work as teaching assistant over the years at Exbourne. Mrs Phillips has now retired from her TA role but will continue to work with the school at lunchtimes to provide cover. We are sure that you will agree that Mrs Phillips is a huge part of our school community and we thank her for all that she has given.

Class 3 is now settling with supply cover in the absence of Mr Bartlett. The arrangements are as follows, as we try to maintain as much consistency as possible for the coming weeks —

Monday - Mrs Doyle/ Tuesday - Mrs Lloyd/ Wednesday - Mrs Doyle/ Thursday - Mrs Davey/ Friday - Mrs Doyle

Thank you for your ongoing support in what has been a time of change for the class and we all wish Mr Bartlett a speedy recovery.

Safeguarding - Online safety

Social media comes with many benefits for children and young people such as staying connected with friends and family and finding new ways to learn new things. There are risks when using social media with children. You can find out more about the risks posed to children on social media here –

Social media and online safety | NSPCC Learning

If you have a concern about online abuse or inappropriate behaviour, please contact the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mrs Petersen to talk about your concerns. You can also call the NSPCC helpline on 0808 800 5000 or email help@nspcc.org.uk.

Homework Celebration

We have already seen some fantastic homework projects coming into school this week. Please can all children bring their completed projects in next week so that we can review them and then all parents are welcome to come in and see the learning on **Thursday 10th November at 9.15am**. This will be an opportunity to share the learning and for children to talk about their work.

Reminders

- PE kits are needed in school every day please, with swimming kits required on a Tuesday.
 Many thanks.
- Tempest photography will be in school on Wednesday 9th November, in the afternoon. Please make sure your child is in smart uniform on the day.
- We have cases of headlice in school please check your child and treat if necessary.

Wishing you all a peaceful weekend.

Kindest regards,

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GALLERY



Small world construction in Early Years





Outdoor learning



Dates for your diary

Wednesday 9th November – School Photo's

Thursday 10th November – Castle Drogo Cross Country

Thursday 10th November – Homework Celebration 9.15am – all parents welcome!

Wednesday 16th November – Open morning for new parents 10.00 -12.00

Thursday 17th November – Planning meeting Messy Church 3.24pm

Friday 25th November – Elf Workshop after school in the hall 3.30 – 5.30

Saturday 03rd December – Wreath Workshop – Exbourne Village Hall – 6.00

Thursday 08th December – Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 08th December – Christmas Nativity in the Church – 2.30

Thursday 15th December – Whole school theatre trip – Robin Hood pantomime, Northcott Theatre, Exeter

Friday 16th December – Christmas Jumper Day/Non School Uniform Day – PFA Cake Sale

Friday 16th December – Last day of the Autumn term

Wednesday 04th January – First day of the Spring term





This week's whole school attendance is 98%













PFA Christmas events

The Elf Workshop will be run by PFA parents on the school premises. Please state your child's name and any allergies/requirements they have when booking. Parents welcomed but children can go straight to the hall after school so feel free to just collect at 5.30pm. Please book through PayPal https://www.paypal.com/paypalme/exbournePFA or Kylie/Sulina/Kelly

Christmas Wreath Workshop run by Aimi Satterly. All materials included but please bring any additional decorations you may want and bring secateurs if you have them. Please state your name when booking. Booking can be done via PayPal https://www.paypal.com/paypalme/exbournePFA or via Kylie/Sulina/Kelly