

Eyam C E Primary School

Fortnightly Newsletter

Term 2 Issue 1

Friday 17th November 2023

Week beginning 20 th November 2023	
Mon 20	Piano and Brass
Tue 21	Voice PE Owls & Squirrels - please wear PE kit. Hedgehogs Shared Reading 7.15pm Governing Body Meeting
Wed 22	Woodwind Running Y2-Y6 please wear trainers and bring spare socks and shoes. PE Hedgehogs (Y1 & 2) – please wear PE kit
Thu 23	Violin am Guitar pm PE Owls – please wear PE kit Wider Opps Owl class R, Y1 & Y2 Dance Festival at HVC Mr. Beresford's lunchtime sports club
Fri 24	3.15pm Owl class bake sale

Week beginning 27 th November 2023	
Mon 27	Piano Squirrels Forest School
Tue 28	Voice and Brass PE Owls – please wear PE kit. Hedgehogs Shared Reading 3.20-3.50pm Kids lingo – French Club PTFA Meeting 7.30pm venue tbc
Wed 29	Woodwind Running Y2-Y6 please wear trainers and bring spare socks and shoes. PE Hedgehogs (Y1 & 2) – please wear PE kit
Thu 30	Violin am Guitar pm PE Owls - please wear PE kit. Wider Opps Owl class 2.30pm Parent Forum Y5/6 Karate at HVC Mr Beresford's lunchtime sports club
Fri 01	Decoration Day 5.00-6.30pm PTFA Christmas Disco



Odd Socks Day! – A celebration of being unique, a time to learn about being a good friend.

Play Buddy leaders took part in an afternoon session with Mrs Hix - House Captains and the School Council learnt about how to recognise children who may need a friend at playtime and how to ask (twice!) if other children are feeling ok. They now take a role each day on the yard being available to others whilst they play. An upshot of this is perhaps the new football club - run by the older pupils - who are teaching some basic skills and fair play ideas to the infants.

Anti-bullying week began with a presentation and questions by our very own pupil wellbeing and equality leads who asked questions in worship whilst reminding the other children that we do need to 'make a noise about bullying'. The theme this year was all about speaking up. The School Council are currently revising the Pupil Policy in which it describes what bullying is, the types of bullying and what to do if you feel things are not going right for yourself or someone else. It is very much in line with this year's theme.



Children in Need – thank you for your donations school raised a total of £104.70

A special thank you to one of our Y1 pupils who raised extra money doing things for others.

Well done.



Eyam Village Christmas Market this Saturday. Fun village event with music, craft stalls and food. 10-4 at Eyam Mechanics on Saturday 18th November. We will have a small table with our brilliant PTFA 'jar tombola'. Last minute contributions are most welcome, a jar or 2 filled with anything (choc/ small toys/ jar of jam etc). Please contact Kate H if you are able to help man the stall for an hour or so. Thank you!

Wreath making on 6th December at 6.30pm in school. £35 which includes drinks and nibbles. We will be arranging a foraging session nearer to the time. Please see Rona C to book a place.

Minutes of the last PTFA meeting have been emailed with this newsletter.

Easyfundraising – has raised hundreds of pounds over the last few years for our school. please sign up at and choose Eyam School PTA Derbyshire and support us whilst doing your Christmas shopping!
<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk>

Like Vernon from BBC Radio 2 there was a chance this week for our very top runners to take part in the Individual County selection. We were so proud of the whole group seen here but need to make a special mention for Flo who will be invited to take part in the County Finals! Just missing a medal, she came 4th, out of all the Y3/4 girls from Ashbourne to Hope! WOW. Well done Eyam team!



Parent Forum- this is going ahead and as requested we alternate the timings am/pm as near to the start and end of the day as possible. Our first for the year is on Advocacy - learning how we are encouraging and supporting the children to speak up about things they feel are important to them. Clearly a vital tool for life, part of our current School Development Plan foci and a feature of the newly revised speaking and oracy targets we are working towards with every child.

Wednesday 29th November 2.30pm: this session will be kindly lead by Claire Walsh, the Chair of Governors.



Bake Sale - Owl class on Friday 24th November at 3.15pm on the yard. Please remember to list ingredients. NO sesame NO peanuts and some lactose free, dairy free and soya free are always much appreciated as we have all these allergies amongst the children.



Bonfire Thank you

To all those who helped cook, build, clear up and serve - a great example of a team event and a fabulous parade on the night with a wonderful firework display. Your support was much appreciated and will contribute to the ongoing life and wider provision of Eyam School. Where does the money go? This was discussed during the Bonfire Committee follow up meeting and the recent PTFA minutes so do look at the minutes.



Squirrels showed off their class musical skills in a coordinated performance of Blackbird by the Beatles. This whole class instrumental challenge was in part possible due to the Wider Opps musical experience they had whilst in owls Class - the whole class sang in time, in tune and then all played an instrument to the audience of parents. This is quite a challenge - well done Squirrels.

Decoration Day

We would like 4 or 5 parent helpers to come in and help for the morning, please let the office know if you're able to, sorry we can't accommodate younger siblings.



Woodlands Club – please let us know by phone or email if you are changing the day or time that your child/children attend. We are open Mon-Fri 7.45-8.40am and Mon-Thur 3.15-5.30pm.



Staff wanted - Would you be interested in relief mid-day supervising occasionally or once/twice a week? Please ask at the office for more information.

School Dinners ~ Please email the office if you wish to make changes to school meal or packed lunch days info@eyam.derbyshire.sch.uk

An option of either a pasta pot, filled jacket potato or sandwich can be provided instead of the main menu, please ask at the office.

School Christmas lunch Thursday 14th December – children who usually bring a packed lunch on a Thursday may order a Christmas lunch. R, Y1 & Y2 FREE, Y3-Y6 £3.25. Please order by Friday 1st December.

Remembrance Day

Hedgehog class poppy display.

Worship on the yard with Mike.



Diary Dates

04.12.23 – Squirrels Forest School
06.12.23 – PTFA wreath making 6.30pm
07.12.23 – Gymnastics Festival Y5/6
10.12.23 – Village Community Service 10am
11.12.23 – Squirrels Forest School (to replace postponed date of 13 Nov)
13.12.23 – Infant Nativity 2.15pm & 6pm
14.12.23 – School Christmas Lunch
14.12.23 – Music for the Mind (some Y5/6)
19.12.23 – Christmas Concert
21.12.23 – Break up for Christmas
22.11.23 – INSET Day
08.01.24 – School re-opens

Parent Zone library

Guides and advice around online platforms, trends and cultures.

parentzone.org.uk/library

Application for reception places 2024/2025 academic year

Monday 6 November 2023 – Online and telephone application facilities open.
Midnight Monday 15 January 2024 – Closing date for submission of applications.

[Apply for a school place - Derbyshire County Council](https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/apply-for-a-school-place)

Letters sent home – please ask at the office if you need a copy.

Class topic webs – everyone

Spellings – everyone

Bake Sale slips – Owl class

Dance Festival letter/consent – emailed H'hogs

Look out next week for

Nativity information – H'hogs

We are looking for a new **Parent Governor**, this is such a vital role in a small school, have a chat with any of our current Parent Governors and think about whether you could fill this role.

Please look out for more information next week.