

Eyam C E Primary School Newsletter Friday 10th January 2025



| Week beginning 13 th January 2025 | |
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| Mon 13 | Piano and Brass |
| Tue 14 | Voice and Choir PE Owls & Squirrels – please wear PE kit. 2.50pm Hedgehog class shared reading. |
| Wed 15 | Woodwind Closing date to apply for a primary or infant school place Parents guide to primary admissions PTFA meeting at the Mechanics |
| Thu 16 | Violin & Guitar School meals theme day lunch – Journey Around the World PE Owls – please wear PE kit PE for R, Y1 & Y2 please wear PE kit. Y5/6 Basketball at Hope Valley College |
| Fri 17 | Y3/4 Wider Opps – clarinet Y3/4 Swimming Signing |

| Week beginning 6 th January 2025 | |
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| Mon 20 | Piano and Brass. |
| Tue 21 | School re-opens Voice and Choir PE Owls & Squirrels – please wear PE kit. 2.50pm Hedgehog class shared reading. |
| Wed 22 | Woodwind Y5/6 cross country at Whitworth Park 2.15pm Parents Drop-in Café - Treetops |
| Thu 23 | Violin and Guitar PE Owls – please wear PE kit PE for R, Y1 & Y2 please wear PE kit. Y5/6 Athletics at HVC Y4 Gymnastics at the Arc |
| Fri 24 | Y3/4 Wider Opps – clarinet Y3/4 Swimming |



Well done to all of you who have stepped up to the challenge of performing live on stage in the village Panto 'Ali Baba' This professional event is one of Eyam's stand out moments of the year and our children play a significant role - you should feel REALLY proud to have taken part.

A BIG staff THANK YOU to all those families who gave us cards of thanks and such wonderful Christmas treats - these were tasty or refreshing (!) or fun and often very creative and had clearly been well thought out. Your appreciation was most welcome.



Fun in the snow!



Join us on our Journey Around the World
16th January

- Meatballs & Italian Tomato Sauce
- Portuguese Piri Piri Quorn Fillet
- West African Jollof Rice
- Mediterranean Pasta
- Mississippi Mud Pie

If your child usually brings a packed lunch but would like the theme day lunch on Thursday 16th January please order through the office.
R Y1 & Y2 free
Y3-6 - £3.25

Safe Start

Snow and icy paths and roads made an unusual start to the year for all. Thanks for your patience - compared to a few years ago, we now do not have local staff able to cover the whole school and also five staff have school aged children so when school opens late elsewhere it makes it hard for us to open earlier and guarantee safety.

Other schools have adopted a 30-minute window so that parking and driving issues are eased and families who can stay at home and walk a little later without inconvenience can support those who need to get to work. After consulting with Governors, Eyam will adopt this in future. **This safe start would be 9-9.30 so registers would be done at 9.30.** This additional time makes a huge difference to safe driving: thank you for your understanding. We hope this reduces morning stress in exceptional weather.

Please do remember that staff are often in school up to an hour before you arrive and so they do need to be able to get sorted. ALWAYS send a change of indoor shoes and socks as this helps keep the floor dry inside! School.

Going forward breakfast club will run from 8.15am - 9.00am on safe start days. There will be the usual charge of £4 for breakfast club. This will apply to anyone who arrives before 9am as they will join the breakfast club session until school starts.



Soup and a chat is a highpoint in the Eyam Advent calendar - homemade soup made by the children and Christmas entertainments including the ever-popular quiz! Well done to the Squirrel staff for hosting this lovely event for the older friends of the school.



The **choir** sang for the Community lunch who were amazed by the range and quality of the performance which included solos and rhythmic clapping and lots of fun Christmas songs too!



Many of our budding musicians took to the stage in the end of term concert with some beautiful and characterful performances. It is SUCH a great experience however daunting and those who took up this challenge should feel really very pleased with themselves - do tell your peri teacher how well you did! Ofsted were thrilled with all our wider provision and the choir and individual as well as group performances are such a good example of what makes provision at Eyam quite special. Thanks for helping with the practise!



Please see Mrs Gilbertson if you want to start learning an instrument.

Next PTFA meeting is on Wednesday 15th January at the Mechanics.



Signing Christmas songs. Thank you to Family Signing and the PTFA for continuing this programme which was also recognised by Ofsted as exceptional!



Mrs Adlington receiving a book of special memories and her leaving gift at our Christmas service in Church.

We will have a vacancy for two parent governors at the end of this month. Any parent of a child at the school can apply, and you can nominate yourself. All nominations need to be submitted to the school office. If more than two nominations are received, then we will have a ballot, and all parents will be invited to vote. Please check your emails next week for details.

Y6 Booster Club will run after half term up to Easter on a Monday 3.15-4.15pm. More details will be sent to you in a letter.

Community wellbeing articles we'd like to share with you:

Fostering

<https://www.derby.gov.uk/news/2024/october/fostering-is-everything/>

Film: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=crnh0kqyQuc>

Newsletter from the police - this shows we are part of a bigger community

<https://www.derbyshire-pcc.gov.uk/public-information/newsletters/>



For new babies and their parents - singing resource

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/research-resources/leaflets/look-say-sing-play-early-years-resources-parents>

Diary Dates

- 28.01.25 – KS1 Fundamentals at the Arc
- 30.01.25 – Shooting Stars Girls' Football on site
- 31.01.25 – Y3/4 Swimming
- 31.01.25 – Signing
- 05.02.25 – Y5 Wheelchair basketball tbc
- 06.02.25 – Y5/6 Netball at HVC
- 07.02.25 – Y3/4 Swimming
- 12.02.25 – Young Voices
- 14.02.25 – Y3/4 Swimming
- 14.02.25 – Theme Day Lunch
- 24.02.25 – Y6 Booster
- 27.02.25 – Y5/6 Retreat Day at Edale
- 28.02.25 – Y3/4 Swimming
- 28.02.25 - Signing

Letters emailed or sent home this week.

Y5/6 basketball consent – emailed.

Y3/4 – Wider Opps instrument loan form.

Y3/4 Swimming letter & consent