



Ebchester Church of England Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parent,

It has been an unusual few weeks with two of our bubbles (and some of our staff) self-isolating. School has certainly been quieter than normal. Can I thank the parents of those pupils who are remote learning? Without your support, many of the pupils would be unable to access the tasks that have been set. We do appreciate the part you play in ensuring that learning continues even when bubbles are closed.

Harvest Festival

Many thanks for those of you who have donated £1 for our Harvest Fund for Consett Foodbank. We will be placing our food order next week so there is still time if you haven't had a chance to donate yet. All donations can be made using ParentPay. Our Harvest Festival recordings of the pupils will be emailed out on Monday – we hope you enjoy them!

Mrs Carolyn Gardner

I am pleased to inform you that Mrs Carolyn Gardner will be joining our staff after half term. Some of you will remember Carolyn as she previously worked at Ebchester Primary School. She will be responsible for leading intervention sessions and supporting learning in Class One and Class Two.

PTA Halloween Dress-Up

As we are unable to have our Halloween disco this year, Our PTA have organised a Halloween fancy dress day on Friday 23rd October. For the price of £1, pupils will be able to wear Halloween themed clothes and receive a Halloween treat bag. Could I ask that no props (wigs, hats, masks) be brought into school? Please send £1 into school with your child on the 23rd October.

Half Term Dates

School will close for half term on Friday 23rd October and reopen on Monday 2nd November.

School Photographs

Tempest Photography will be visiting school on the morning of the 13th November. All pupils will have individual and sibling photographs taken. If you would like your child to have their photo taken with a pre-school aged sibling, please contact the school office to arrange an appointment.

PD Day

School will be closed for teacher training on Monday 30th November.

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Class One -Robinwood Residential Visit

As the residential trip to Robinwood was cancelled last year due to the lockdown, we have rearranged the trip for the three days beginning Monday 5th July 2021. At this stage, we would just need to know how many children would like to take part in the visit and collect a small deposit. If you would like to secure a place for your child, please use ParentPay to pay a £10 deposit by Friday 23rd October. I recognise that we are in uncertain times. If we are unable to attend Robinwood due to the Covid-19 pandemic, a full refund will be given.

Duck Race

Many thanks to all of you who supported our virtual duck race a few weeks ago. The PTA raised an amazing £150 which will be used to support other activities and events in school.

As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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