



Ebchester Church of England Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parent,

A Message from Tempest

*Have you ordered your school photos yet? A polite reminder that the closing date for **free delivery** back to school is **Sunday 8th October**. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk. If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).*

PTA

The PTA have now finalised their accounts for the last academic year and are pleased to report an overall profit for the year of £1854.94 and £2152.81 spent on resources for our school including resources for Rec/Yr1 classroom, buses for Ice skating & over £1200 on KS2 reading books.

A huge thank you to everyone who has supported us in our events and enabled us to keep supporting our school.

Plans are already in place for fundraising this year and activities for our children. We are having a coffee morning in the school hall on **Monday 16th October, at 9am** and would like to invite along parents/grandparents/carers who would like to hear more about our plans or would like to help out at some of our events. We look forward to seeing you there.

Many thanks,
Caroline Walker

Y2 Geography Walk

The pupils in Y2 will be taking part in a Geography walk around Ebchester village on the afternoon of the 5th October. The pupils will return to school by the end of the school day.

Y3/4 Residential Trip 2024

After the success of our last Y3/4 residential trip to Dukeshouse Wood, we have arranged for our Y3/4 pupils to take part in a 1 night/ 2-day residential trip to the PGL Centre at Ford Castle in Northumberland. The trip is due to take place Tuesday 7th May 2024 with the pupils returning the following day on the 8th May. If you would like to know more about the centre please click on the following link:

<https://www.pgl.co.uk/en-gb/school-trips/pioneer-first-time-school-adventures> Further details will follow.

Y5/6 - We have made the difficult decision to change our Y5/6 residential trip from a yearly trip to once every two years (the same as the Y3/4 residential visit). As the Y5/6 class visited Robinwood last academic year, this year we will be offering a fully funded 'Adventure Day' for the pupils in the summer term.

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Harvest Festival Donations

A polite reminder that you are welcome to send any tinned or dried food donations for the Harvest Festival into school from the week beginning the 2nd October. Many thanks.

Year 3/4 Gymnastics Carousel

Please note the Gymnastics Carousel on the 11th October is for both Y3 and Year 4 and not just Y4 as stated in the previous newsletter. Apologies for any confusion.

School Lunches

Could you please make sure that all school lunches are paid for in advance? Unfortunately, any balances over £50 will be forwarded to Durham County Council. We appreciate your cooperation with this matter.

Active Future October Multi- Sport Camp booking is now open!

Would your child like some fun this half term? Our Multi-Sport Camp includes all their favourite games: dodgeball, Nerf guns, tag and chase, basketball, bikes, den building, football, bench ball, rounders, scooters, art and crafts, Lego and Halloween themed activities.

To book: <https://campscui.active.com/orgs/ActiveFutureDurham?season=3397643>

When: Monday 30th & Tuesday 31st October

Where: Consett Infant School, Teasdale Street, DH8 6AF

Time: 10am - 3pm

Thanks Nicole (Active Future)

Sponsored Walk

We are pleased to announce that we will be holding our annual sponsored walk on the morning of the 5th October. We will be walking from school along the Derwent Walk. Parents and grandparents are welcome to join us. Please let us know if you would like to do so.

We will meet at school at 9am and plan to return to school for 11.15am. As some children are not confident around animals, I would ask that any dogs accompanying us are kept on a lead.

We are hoping to raise funds to help fund experiences for the pupils across the school year.

Money raised can be paid through Arbor any time after the event. It would be very helpful if you could try to send sponsorship money in by Friday 20th October. As this is our main fundraising event of the year, we hope that you will be able to find lots of sponsors. However, we stress to children the importance of only having sponsors from family and friends. They are told that under no circumstances should they knock on doors asking for sponsorship.

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Important Dates –

5th October – Sponsored Walk

9th October – Messy Church

11th October – 9am -Harvest Festival (school hall)

Y3/4 Gymnastics Festival

12th October – KS2 Bonfire Talk with Consett Fire Brigade

16th October – PTA Coffee Morning

19th October – Y1/2 Gymnastics Festival

30th October - Half term begins

Yours sincerely,

Rachel Clasper

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