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# Ellingham Primary School Newsletter

14<sup>th</sup> October 2020

## BUMPED HEADS - RED BAND ALERT

If your child comes home with a red band around their wrist, it means they have bumped their head during the school day. Our first aid team are always on duty to treat any injuries. If it is serious or we have any concerns, an immediate call home will be made to advise and discuss with you further.



## SCHOOL START TIMES

**8.30 - Nursery**

**8.35 – Year 2, 3, 5**

**8.40 – Reception, Year 1, 4, 6**

A quick reminder that the above are the start times for classes.

Teachers will lead their children into class at the specified time and, following registration, will start lessons promptly. Gates will be closed at 8.40.

Arriving to class after lessons have started, can be stressful for your child and has an impact on their learning. Late arrivals will be asked to walk from the end of the drive at Ellingham Road or the main entrance at Harrow Close to the main office where an adult will be waiting for them.

## ON-LINE NOW – MEET THE TEACHER

Please [click](#) through to our website to view your child's teacher talking through the routines and priorities for each year group. It's not the same as meeting face to face but will give you an opportunity to get to know them better.

You can also access them directly by going to the Parent Zone area of our website:  
<https://www.ellinghamschool.co.uk/>



## PARENTS/CARERS EVENINGS

Our parents and carers meetings will take place remotely this term on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 3:40-6:00 pm, and Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November, 3:40- 7:00 pm for Nursery Pear, Cherry, Apple, Beech, Maple, Oak, Willow, 3P, 3W, 4T, 4S, 5C and 6W classes.

Please note parents and carers meetings for Year 5B and Year 6B will take place on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November, 3:40-6:00 pm, and Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November, 3:40- 7:00 pm.

Each slot will run for 10 minutes. This is preset so will automatically end at the allocated time. You can access the video meeting by downloading via your smartphone. More details to follow in a letter to parents. Bookings open at 7.00 pm on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October. Please follow this link to book your slot:

<https://ellingham.parenteveningsystem.co.uk/>

### HARVEST MUFTI DAY

Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October is Harvest Mufti to raise money for the school. Children should come to school dressed in autumn colours and a £1 donation will be collected at the gate by Friends of Ellingham. Thank you for your support.

## SUPPORT OUR HARVEST FESTIVAL

Please could you start to bring in tinned and dried goods for our harvest festival. We will be displaying donations and running an assembly next week to mark the occasion. Any donations will be distributed to the local food bank over the half-term.

We were determined to run a harvest festival, in spite of logistical challenges, as we know that many people are struggling in the current economic climate. It is important that our children understand how they can be positive members of our local community with just a small contribution.





### Dates for the diary:

From now until half-term:  
Harvest Festival – please bring in donations

Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct – Harvest Mufti – dress in autumn colours

Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Oct - Half term week commences

31<sup>st</sup> Oct - Secondary schools admission deadline

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov - INSET day. School closed to children

Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov - School reopens for children

Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov - Parent/ carer meetings 3:40-6:00 (Year 5B & 6B not included)

Weds 4<sup>th</sup> Nov - Parent/ carer meetings 3:40-6:00 (Year 5B & 6B only)

Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Nov - Parent/ carer meetings 3:40-7:00

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Dec - Last day of Autumn term

## MEET OUR NEW HOUSE CAPTAINS

CONGRATULATIONS to our worthy winners to represent their house at Ellingham Primary School. Every house voted for their house captains – well done to our winners. Every candidate is a super star having demonstrated our school value of Courage simply by entering into the contest.



Well done to the new RUBY house captains: Gracie and Tyler (pictured left).

Welcome to the new TOPAZ house captains: Jessica and Aadon (pictured below).



Big smiles from the new Emerald house captains: Shaan and Chloe (pictured below).



Welcome to the new Sapphire house captains: Callie-Mae and Remi (pictured below).



**DON'T FORGET**  
**INSET DAY**  
**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**