

# **Elburton Primary**







7 December 2017

Number 4



## **Christmas at Elburton**

Christmas is well underway at the school and by the time you receive this, the Key Stage 1 will have completed their brilliant Nativity. We still have the Foundation production and the Junior Carol service to look forward to. Last week saw the annual Christmas Fair and as always it was well attended. Approximately £3,400 has been raised by the PTA at this event and a big thank you to all who helped, contributed or attended. Mrs Tucker will be cooking Christmas lunch for pupils next Tuesday 12th December. Infants will have a Christmas party during school time on Monday 18th December with Key Stage 2 having a disco from 18.30 to 20.00 that evening. There is a Post Box by the hall for pupils wanting to send Christmas cards to their friends. Please make sure it has recipient's name and class on to ensure speedy delivery.

If they wish, just for fun, children can wear Christmas jumpers on the last day of term.

## **School Games Platinum Award**

We have just been informed that the school is one of only 104 schools in the country to receive the special School Games Platinum Award. The Award is part of the School Games Mark, a government led awards scheme launched in 2012 and administered by national charity the Youth Sport Trust, which had close to 9,000 applicants this year. Its aim is to reward schools for a commitment to the development of competition across schools and into the community. This is a fantastic achievement and may thanks to Miss Jones and Mrs Sammels for leading sport at the school.

#### 2018 is the 50th Anniversary of the School

Next year sees the 50th anniversary of the school and we plan to mark the event during the year in a variety of ways but we would like to leave a lasting legacy for pupils over the next 50 years. We would like to build a new playground for children. This is going to need a considerable amount of funding. The PTA are willing to help to achieve this target but I am asking if any parents work for companies or know sources of funding we could tap into next year so that this will be opened by September 2018. If you have any ideas or know of any sources, please let me know.

## **Key Stage 2 Build**

Firstly a big thank you for your co-operation when dropping and picking up children - it certainly has eased congestion.

Hopefully the foundations will be laid by this weekend and the blocks will start to be put in place next week. They are a few weeks behind but the builders are confident that they will catch up as the build progresses, so we still aim for completion next April.

## And finally a "few polite reminders"

Only Year 5 and 6 children are permitted to bring mobile phones to school which are collected in each day.

Dogs are not permitted on school grounds and if tied up, please could this be away from the entrances as some children are scared of dogs.

Registration takes place at 08.45. If your child arrives after 8.50 they must be signed in at reception by an accompanying adult.

From the 1st January 2018, there will be no cash payments accepted for school uniform. All payments will be made through ParentPay. Please see Reception if you do not have access to ParentPay.

If parking near the school, either to pick up children or attend a function, please do not park across our neighbours' drive ways.

Please do not stand in the staff car park area when picking up Year 1 children.

Thank you

## 2017-2018

30-10-2017 - 19-12-2017 03-01-2018 - 09-02-2018 19-02-2018 - 29-03-2018 17-04-2018 - 25-05-2018 04-06-2018 - 20-07-2018 07-05-2018 May Bank Holiday

## 2018-2019

05-09-2018 - 19-10-2018 29-10-2018 - 19-12-2018 03-01-2019 - 15-02-2019 25-02-2019 - 05-04-2019 24-04-2019 - 24-05-2019 03-06-2019 - 19-07-2019 06-05-2019 May Bank Holiday

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## Safety

From 15.30 the blue gate next to the Year 3 classrooms will be closed for the safety of pupils attending Klub Kidz.

## **Lunch Vouchers**

Please remember these are on sale on from 08.30 Monday and Thursday mornings in Reception. Requests at other times make extra work for Mrs Tucker who is on a tight work schedule to cook the meals ready for 12.00.

