

# Elburton Primary School





Devon Teaching School Partnership

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### School News

We are now in the last few days of 2016 and children and staff are eagerly looking forward to the Christmas Festivities.

I do hope that you have had an opportunity to share one of the Christmas events with us, whether it be one of the Christmas Productions or the Christmas Fair. You will all agree that there is always plenty of exciting things taking place at the school.

The last year, as always, has been very busy in many ways than one. The school reorganized and formed the Horizon Multi Academy Trust. This is going from strength to strength and in later in 2017 we hope to see more schools joining us in our collaborative venture.

We continue to offer great opportunities for children having had successes in sport music and art while still maintaining excellent academic standards.

We welcome Mrs Light back after Christmas. We would like to thank Mr Woodgates for his hard work and commitment during Mrs Light's absence and wish him luck in his new permanent appointment at Drake school. We also say farewell to Miss Corwood and from January she will be working at Lipson Vale Community Primary. I am very grateful to the contribution they have made to the school in the period of time they have been with us.

On Tuesday Mrs Tucker and her team cooked nearly 400 Christmas lunches. A tremendous feat and all served within an hour. We are very lucky to have a school meal's team of their calibre and thank them for their efforts not just on Tuesday but throughout the year.

### PTA

The recent PTA Christmas Fair and Wine and Wisdom raised in excess of £5000. Thanks to the generous match funding from Santander and Barclays Banks. The PTA are organizing a disco for Key Stage 2 children this Thursday 18.30 - 20.00. Foundation and Key Stage 1 will be having a party during the afternoon.

As always my thanks to the PTA and everyone that supports them. Not only to they raise a tremendous amount of money for the benefit of the school but add a great community feel to Elburton.

**And finally......** May I wish you a very Merry Christmas and give a big thank you to all the staff at the school.

I am sure you will join with me in wishing them a very restful Christmas in which they can recharge their batteries ready for 2017. They are such a fabulous group of people to work with always wanting to do their very best for the pupils at the school.

I look forward to seeing you and your children again on Wednesday 4th January 2017.

# **Year Dates 2016-17**

4-1- 2017 - 10-2-2017 20-2-2017 - 31-3- 2017 19-4- 2017 - 26-5- 2017 5-6- 2017 - 21-7 2017 1-5- 2017 May Bank Holiday

# 2017-2018

6-9-2017 - 20-10-2017 30-10-2017 - 19-12-2017 3-1-2018 - 9-2-2018 19-2-2018 - 29-3-2018 17-4-2018 - 25-5-2018 4-6-2018 20-7-2018 7-5- 2018 May Bank Holiday

# **Twitter**

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# **Admissions**

May I remind parents with children born between 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013 that they must register for a place at a primary school with Plymouth City Council by 15 January 2017. We will be consulting on our admission arrangements for 2018/19 through Plymouth City Council. Should you pay Council Tax to Devon you must apply through Devon's website. The consultation will be live between 19 December 2016 and 29 January 2017. If you wish to find out about our policy or make any comment, please visit www.plymouth.gov.uk/ admissionconsultation

# **De-Fibulator Training**

At 15.30 on 10 January we will be receiving training on the defibulator. We would welcome any members of the community who would like to join us for the training which would be approximately 1 hour.