

# **Elburton Primary**







7 December 2018

Number 3

# Christmas is a comin'

We are in that very exciting time of year for schools and children, the lead up to Christmas, and I know the next few days of the term will go very rapidly.

Already we have had our Christmas Fair organised by the PTA which raised over £3000. It was another staggering and special Elburton evening capped by the choir and the entrance of Father Christmas. A big thank you to all who helped or donated prizes, cakes etc. and of course to our brilliant PTA who worked tirelessly, not just on the Friday, but also in the weeks leading up to the event.





We also have had the pleasure of Year 1 and Year 2's beautiful Christmas and Nativity performance. All who were able to see it will have been stunned by the confidence of our younger pupils.

Our youngest children in Foundation will finish their performance this Friday and they too showed such confidence and joy in their production. Again a big thank you is due to the teachers and TAs who all make these events so special.



Please update your diaries with the following events in December:

 Monday 10th Tuesday 11th & Wednesday 12th 18.30 Junior Carol Service, St Matthews Church

 Tuesday 11th Monday 17th

Monday 17th

Wednesday 19th

14.00 Junior Carol Service, St Matthews Church

Children's Christmas Lunch

Infant Christmas Party during school time

18.30 - 20.00 PTA Junior Disco

**End of Term** 

Note: Pupils return to school on Thursday 3rd January.

# **Staff News**

Mrs Sammels will begin her maternity leave at the end of term. We wish Taffeta, Dave and Roma all the best with the new addition to their family.

Sadly we will also be saying farewell to Mrs Hill at the end of term. She has decided to retire. She has been such a central part of the school for so long and there cannot be a child, parent or member of staff who does not treasure fond thoughts for her. We will all hugely miss her humour, fun and commitment.

I also must inform you that Mr Epps has also let it be known that he intends to retire at the end of the Spring Term. I cannot begin to express how important Mr Epps has been to the success of the school. He has been an inspirational teacher to many generations of pupils but has also encouraged and motivated all who have worked with him. From a personal point of view, I could not have wished to have had a better Deputy. There will be more time next term to express our gratitude to him.

# 2018-2019

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

### 2019-2020

04-09-2019 - 18-10-2019 28-10-2019 - 20-12-2019 06-01-2020 - 14-02-2020 24-02-2020 - 27-03-2020 15-04-2020 - 22-05-2020 01-06-2020 - 17-07-2020 04-05-2020 May Bank Holiday

#### Twitter

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#### **Used Stamps**

We are collecting used stamps in school for a hearing impaired charity. Any used stamps can be left at reception.

#### Local Cause

The PTA has been chosen as the local cause to be supported by the Co-op.

The amount of money that the PTA will receive from them next October will depend on how many Co-op members choose to support us.

Members need to login and select Elburton PTA online, so the more we promote it and let people know the better! Please do log on and select Elburton PTA and encourage family and friends to do the same.



