



October 2022

Esh Winning Primary School



NEWSLETTER



School Photographs

We recently received some parent feedback about our school photos and we agreed that we needed to look at other school photograph companies.

As a school, we do look at all aspects of our offer and try to keep costs down as much as possible. We also try to subsidise where we can to reduce costs.

There are certain things that we cannot change as we are told what the price must be e.g. the cost of school dinners.

Mrs Lamb, our Office Manager, has been in contact with other schools and companies to see what we can do to reduce the cost of the school photographs.

We have booked our next set of school photographs with a different company, which has slightly reduced costs, however, we will continue to research so that we have the best available offer for you. Thank you for your feedback.

Dates	
October	
21st	Break up for half term
31st	School resumes
31st	Halloween Discos
November	
14th	Anti Bullying Week
18th	Children in Need day
24th	Yr1-6 Christmas crafts with parents
25th	INSET Day—School closed
29th	EYFS Christmas crafts with parents
December	
2nd	Non-uniform day for tombola items
6th	Year 2 Christmas Performance
7th	Christmas Fayre
8th	Christmas Meal & Jumper day
9th	EYFS Christmas Performances
12th	Santa Visit Day
12th	Year 1 Christmas Performance
13th	Early Years Christmas Party
14th	Year 1 & 2 Christmas Party
15th	Year 3 Christmas Party
16th	Year 4 Christmas Party
16th	KS2 Carol Service at 9.30am
19th	Year 5 & 6 Christmas Party
20th	Break up for Christmas holidays
January '23	
4th	School resumes (Wednesday)

Harvest Festival

The harvest festival service will be held on **Thursday 20th October** in the **School Main Hall**

Year 1, 2 & 3 at 9.30am

Years 4, 5 & 6 at 10.30am

Items kindly donated from home will be given to the **Durham Food Bank.**

Pupils brought a bring a letter home to suggest items to bring in e.g. Milk (UHT or powdered), Sugar (500g), Fruit Juice (long life carton, Sponge Pudding (tinned), instant coffee, Tinned Fish, Tinned Fruit.

ASTHMA/INHALERS IN SCHOOL

If your child has Asthma please can you make sure their inhaler and spacer is in school.

Parents will need to complete our consent forms and bring in any paperwork from your GP.

Also if your child has a medical condition we are unaware of, please to let the school office know and we will meet and discuss the condition and any actions required by school.

Thank you!

Reminder for packed lunch boxes

Please can parents/carers ensure that if they are sending grapes in their children's packed lunch boxes, that the grapes are sliced longways in half first.

Healthy lunch box suggestions include:

Sandwiches in varying types of bread, fruit and vegetables (baby tomatoes, baby sweetcorn, Carrots & celery sticks), drinks should be still water or fruit juice.

Sweet suggestions include scones, malt-loaf, flapjack, yoghurt, teacakes

Savoury suggestions include rice cakes, breadsticks, a boiled egg and cheese & crackers.

NO CHOCOLATE, NUTS OR PRODUCTS CONTAINING NUTS, SWEETS OR FIZZY DRINKS ARE ALLOWED IN LUNCHBOXES, FOR THE SAFETY OF OTHER CHILDREN

Bumped heads!

It is our school policy to ring home every time your child bumps their head in school time. Please be patient with our staff ringing home, thank you.

This month, some of our Year 5 pupils are going to the Outward Bound Centre on Ullswater in the Lake District. The children will try lots of challenging outdoor activities, explore new places in the wild and experience the responsibility of living away from home. The children will return home with confidence, know their classmates better, have new skills and a fresh perspective on life.



Halloween Disco

Tickets will soon be on sale for this year's Halloween Disco On
Monday 31st October
£1 per ticket

This includes one hot dog & juice

KS1 will be from 4pm-5pm

KS2 will be 5.15pm-6.30pm

Letters have been sent home this week!



On Monday 31st October **Nursery and Reception** pupils will be having their own Halloween Party in class during the day. They are allowed to come into school dressed in their Halloween costumes.



Flu Vaccinations

On Monday 14th November the NHS immunisation team will be in school to administer the nasal flu vaccination. This is available for children from Reception to Year 6. Information was emailed to parents, please complete the online form as soon as possible. Thanks

Capita SIMS Parent App.

School uses the SIMS APP and it is important that all parents download the app as it provides an easy and convenient way for school to communicate with parents on all aspects of school life. The data collection functionality within the App allows parents to access and update your contact details safely and receive other information.

Parents with more than one child attending our school can easily access grouped information on their children via the App.

This app is easy to use and can be downloaded on smartphones, PC's and tablet devices.

Email invitations have been sent out this week, but if you have not received one and would like to download the App, please contact the school office, who can send you a link to join via your email address.

School having an up to date email address will also assist class teachers to contact you regarding Seesaw or as required.

The school office continually collects used postage stamps which are forwarded to numerous local charities & these help raise funds for them. With the festive season fast approaching, please save any postage stamps from cards & letters for us. Thank you!