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Tuesday 27th February 2024

Spring Half Term 2 Newsletter

I hope that you have all had a good break over half-term. Hopefully everyone is looking forward to the next 5 weeks in the run-up to the Easter break. I am hopeful that Spring has sprung, however, just in case we have a cold snap information about closures due to snow will be on the school website. We will also endeavour to send you an email notification.

Whilst I am talking about the weather, please make sure that your child has a waterproof coat and wellies in school each day. This means that they will be able to take full advantage of the school grounds at break and lunchtime.

PE - Orca & Seal

Children in **Orca** and **Seal** classes are swimming on Monday afternoons this half-term. Please send your child to school in their school PE kit each Monday to make changing quicker and easier following the swimming sessions. The children will also have PE as part of their Beach School sessions on Fridays.

PE - Puffin & Starfish

Children in **Puffin** and **Starfish** classes will need to wear PE kit to school on Wednesdays for their session with Newcastle United in school. As they may be outside they will need their hoodies and jogging bottoms. The children will also have PE as part of the Beach School sessions on Fridays.

Bikes and Scooters

Please make sure that you are not allowing children to ride bikes and scooters on the school site. This is to ensure that everyone remains safe.

Payments to School

Please could we remind all parents/carers that lunch money is due each Monday for the week ahead or can be paid a half term in advance. We are unable to offer any credit, therefore, please make sure that your child's parent pay account remains topped up at all times. If your child's account falls below £0.00 you will receive a debt letter via Parent Pay and your child will need to bring in a packed lunch from home until their account is credited.

Beach School

We will be continuing to attend Beach School every Friday. Please ensure that children wear school PE kit to come to school. We will continue to monitor and assess the weather and conditions each week, and will adjust our sessions accordingly, whether that be by working in the dunes, going to a sheltered spot on the beach, going down slightly later, or coming back earlier. Assume that your child will ALWAYS be going and dress them accordingly. Please ensure coats are properly waterproof (not just shower proof), and that your child is wearing layers underneath their school hoodie. Please also ensure that your child is wearing warm socks - the plastic soles of many wellies do not insulate the children very well, and cold feet quickly become uncomfortable. Please make sure that your child has both wellies **and** trainers in school on Fridays, as if we do have to return, your child needs something to wear on their feet, other than wellies, in the classroom.

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Wraparound

We continue to offer wraparound care from 7.30 am, and until 5.30 pm. Bookings are made one month in advance, although we can take additional children on a short notice basis if you are stuck. Please note that once booked - all wraparound sessions are non-refundable.

Communication

Important information, newsletters, diary dates, class pages and weekly school and class blogs are on the school website at embletonprimaryschool.com. Please use this as your first port of call for finding the information you need. If there is anything else you would like to see on the website please let us know. We will continue to send out information via email. Please make sure that if you change your email address or phone number, you let us know. This is particularly important should we need to contact you in an emergency. If you would like to speak to a member of staff please either catch us at the beginning or end of day, email us (admin@vincentedwards.northumberland.sch.uk) or give us a call (01665) 576612.

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. This year we would love it if you could send in a picture of your child enjoying reading with a family member, or a pet. Please send these to admin@vincentedwards.northumberland.sch.uk We will then share these pictures and display them. In school we will also share stories with each other.

EPFC Easter Raffle

Tickets will be available soon for the Easter Raffle and your child will bring a book of tickets home for you to buy/sell should you wish. The raffle will be drawn on 27th March and winners will be notified by phone or email. If anyone would like any additional tickets please contact the school office.

EPFC Meeting

The next EPFC meeting will be held in the Parish Rooms on Tuesday 26th March at 8:45am. All parents/carers are welcome to get involved so please pop along. For further information please contact the Chair of the EPFC and Parent Governor Jo Robertson.

Kind Regards

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Spring Half Term 2 Calendar

Friday 1 st March	Y6 PE Transition at the High School	Y6 to wear PE kit
Wednesday 6 th March	Reception & Y6 Heights and Weights	In school
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day	In school
Tuesday 12 th March	Puffin Parent Lunch	12.30pm Puffin Parents/Carers
Wednesday 13 th March	Lego Tournament at Village Hotel Newcastle	Nominated children
Friday 15 th March	Seal trip to Segedunum	Seal Class
Wednesday 20 th March	Reception Vision Screening	In school
Thursday 21 st March	Puffin Class Worship	8.45am Puffin Class parents
Tuesday 26 th March	EPFC Meeting	8:45am in Parish Rooms
Thursday 21 st March	Orca Class Football Festival Shilbottle Primary	Orca Class PE kits
Friday 22 nd March	Orca & Seal Class Trip to Cragside	Orca & Seal Class PE kits
Thursday 28 th March	Easter Service in Church	2.00pm all parents welcome
Friday 29 th March	Good Friday	Bank Holiday
Monday 15 th April	School Resumes	Orca & Seal Class Swimming

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