

Week beginning 02 November 2020	
Mon 02	Everyone wear PE kit Piano PE after school club 3.15-4pm Squirrels
Tue 03	Flu immunisation R-Y6
Wed 04	Guitar and Woodwind
Thu 05	Voice and Cello
Fri 06	Violin and Brass
Week beginning 09 November 2020	
Mon 09	Everyone wear PE kit Piano Last day for Shoe Box Appeal donations PE after school club 3.15-4pm Squirrels
Tue 10	Forest School - Owls
Wed 11	Guitar and Woodwind Children in Need - £1 donation to wear non-uniform
Thu 12	Voice and Cello School meals theme day lunch - Diwali
Fri 13	Violin and Brass Cross Country at HVC - maybe (Y5/6)

Eyam C E Primary School

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What a half term it has been – your children have been amazingly flexible, tolerant, funny, hard-working, determined and shown huge resilience. Please make sure you tell them how proud we are!



An amazing afternoon was spent with some Y4&5s who were tackling the Masked Rat –

<https://eyamhalfmarathon.org.uk/the-masked-rat-kids-routes/>

We loved the app route and the views were breathtaking – you are so lucky to live here children! Well done to Georgia for showing a great growth mind-set and encouraging her friend to keep going when it got tough.



Thank you – we raised £65 for Macmillan from our cake/bun morning.

This week saw **THREE** momentous events.

Parents' evening via phone call for every child. A Big thanks to the teachers and for support staff for covering classes.

ALSO online live teaching for Reception children so that parents could see a phonics session. Congratulations to Mrs Jones and Mrs McGuire for being super brave!

We also have been exploring online live worship – it's so lovely to feel more together and for the children to see each other.



Fluffy, feathery flappity fun

Everyone has had a go at handling the chicks – this week we let them flutter around a circle of children. All the children observed and commented with interest and care. Another thing to be proud of. Thanks to the O'Connell family for lending us the hatching incubator.



Owl class will be using seesaw for homework after half term – please check your log-in.

Reminder: Staff are literally run off their feet – being on duty as well as teaching so please if it's urgent then ring school – we don't always get to check emails till later in the morning but will always play the answer phone at 9am.



Shine a Light on Bonfire Night and Pumpkin Trail Quiz.

Have lots of fun making your lanterns and finding the answers to the quiz.

If you need any extra willow or paper to make your masterpieces, please just contact Julia (Dylan's mum) on 07867 360574. Don't forget to send photos of your creations to Eyampftfa@gmail.com and we will make a montage for everyone to see.



Thank you to the PTFA for 'shining a light' on the village over bonfire season. Enjoy making your lantern the kits look very pretty.



Remember donations towards the new room can be made through the QR CODE.



We've learnt about some well-known and little-known people across the globe who have helped to shape our history – from Nelson Mandela to a rap singer, a nurse who arrived on the now famous Windrush ship all the way from the Caribbean. The Squirrel children kept Mrs Ridgeway very busy with their questions and knowledge of recent international events.



Remember- ALL cycling and balance bike practice sets you up for bikeability training and safer road riding in the future.

If your child has additional needs and receives support that is additional to the usual teaching in class then staff have reviewed and updated IEPs which we will endeavour to get to you asap after half term. Please read, comment, sign and return to the office. If you wish to have a meeting with staff please talk with Mrs Gilbertson.

School meals

The new lunch menu was sent home last week. Please let us know if you wish to make any changes to current preferences. Information and games can be found at <https://www2.myschoollunch.co.uk/derbyshire/>

Please remember that school lunches should be paid for in advance. The cost of a school lunch is £2.20 per day. Total amount for the whole of next term for Y3-6 (2.11.20-18.12.20) £77.00.

Diwali Theme Day Lunch on Thursday 12th November. Children who usually bring a packed lunch may book, via the office, to have the theme day lunch Y3-6 £2.20. R-Y2 free.

Diwali

Thursday 12th November

Katsu Curry
Seasonal Vegetables
Rice
Naan

Ice Cream and
a Coconut Delight

www.myschoollunch.co.uk/derbyshire

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Shoe Box Appeal

Everyone loves to receive a present at Christmas but for many vulnerable children and families in Southeast Europe, Christmas serves as a reminder of their isolation and poverty. This year the school has decided to support a Christmas box appeal run by FSCI (www.fscinet.org reg. charity in England & Wales 1107914) to try and help some of the poorest people in Europe have a more joyful Christmas. With your help we can take action by filling shoeboxes with appropriate items and sending them to people in need.

Not all items have to be new but they should be in good, working condition, so toys that are no longer played with could also be sent in, if they meet these criteria. Some other ideas of what you can include are...

Sweets, small toys, hats/gloves, balls (tennis, bouncy), soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, jigsaws, facecloths and stationery

Please wrap the bottom of the box and the lid separately in festive paper and use an elastic band to secure the lid.

We do hope that some of you will feel able to complete a shoebox and/or consider donating £3 to help cover what it will cost FSCI to ship our boxes to Southeast Europe. Please bring your shoebox/donation into school by **Monday 9th November**.

HELP WANTED

Outdoor help – can anyone revamp the mud kitchen? The children love to play here and there are some rusty pans to replace and paintwork to re do We could do with a few paving stones too.

Monday volunteer - morning or afternoon please to assist Mrs Gaywood with sports – no need to be sporty – to help with measuring jumps, throws etc.

PE Afterschool Club will be re-starting after the break. Due to the bubbles this can only be for Squirrel children this term and then we will offer it to Owls in the spring.

Skills 'N' Drills will cover all sorts so come and sign up at the office squirrels for some active fun from 3:15 to 4:00pm. Consent may also be emailed to woodlands@eyam.derbyshire.sch.uk

As well as the sports club we will be starting-up the Woodlands Nurture groups again after the break. A big thanks to Mrs Hix for leading this – along with supportive guidance from the Derbyshire Nurture Team. We will be able to run alternate sessions due to the pandemic.

Forest school is back! Owls get to start this half term with Mrs Jones taking the lead as usual. We are thrilled to be getting some things back to normal – we are of course going to be preparing a risk assessment relating to Covid restrictions in line with DCC guidelines.

Transfer to Secondary Education 2021

Closing date for the submission of applications is midnight on 31 Oct 2020

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/admissions



Diary Dates

17 Nov – Individual & family photos
18 Nov – Governing Body Meeting
19 Nov – Sports Challenge (Sq & Owls)
20 Nov – School closed - due to the unprecedented pressure on staff, if we have remained open during November, school will be closed on Friday 20th November for a staff wellbeing day.
24 Nov – Forest School (Owls)
8 Dec – School Christmas Dinner

Letters sent home

Tapestry letter - Reception
Blended Learning & Online Learning– emailed to everyone
Forest School letter – Owls
School Lunch Menu - everyone

Please ask at the office if you need a copy.



Eyam CofE Primary School

Early Years Invitation



Whilst we're not able to do an open day this year, we still welcome you to come and look around. We will show you our fabulous learning environments inside and out!

We are a happy, friendly school nestled in a close and supportive village community. We strive for excellence in all that we do – a small school making a big difference!

Please arrange a visit to come and see for yourselves – we are offering appointments Mon-Thur after 3.30pm



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