



**ELTHAM**  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND  
PRIMARY SCHOOL  
SINCE 1814

**Newsletter #3**  
**Week 3**  
**Friday 22nd September 2023**

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been another busy week with lots of events and new learning. I showed some prospective parents/carers around during our weekly tour on Tuesday – they were so impressed with how focussed and settled the classes are. The children were also keen to share what they have been learning and what it is like belonging to the Eltham family. They do you proud every day!!

**Attendance and Punctuality** – we take this very seriously at Eltham CE Primary School. Not only to fulfil our legal and safeguarding duties but it also teaches the children the importance of being present every day and not being late. We aim to equip your children for the next stage of their lives and eventually the working world where punctuality and attendance will be extremely important too. Many thanks to the vast majority of families who ensure their children are in by 9am every day.

**Wear Red and Green** in support of Morocco and Libya – thanks to you all for your support with this. We will let you know how much we raised for these causes in next week's newsletter.

**Parent/Carer Volunteers**. Do you have an hour or two (or a morning or afternoon?) to spare each week? We are looking for parent volunteers across a range of activities throughout the school. These activities may include reading with children, supporting in the classroom or sharing your gardening expertise in the edible playground. We will carry out some basic safeguarding checks and have a brief meeting with you to discuss what volunteering at Eltham CE School involves.

Wishing you all the very best of weekends ready for more exciting learning on Monday!

Very best wishes  
Matt Wills  
Headteacher

Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.  
Romans 15v7

#### **Dates for your diary**

**Phonics workshop for parents/carers** – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September 3:45pm

**PTA FILM nights** – Key Stage 2 Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September | Key Stage 1 Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October.

**Harvest Services (for Years 1-6 families)** at St John the Baptist Church – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 10am/2pm (class allocation to follow)

**Reading Festival** 20<sup>th</sup> October – more details to follow on this.

**HALF TERM BREAK – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October**

**Parents'/Carers open evenings** – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November

**Christmas services**      Key Stage 1 Nativity 12<sup>th</sup> December; North Class nativity 14<sup>th</sup> December;  
Corbett Class nativity 15<sup>th</sup> December  
Key Stage 2 Carol Service 19<sup>th</sup> December

**Last day of the Autumn Term** – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2023

**First day of the Spring Term 2024** – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024