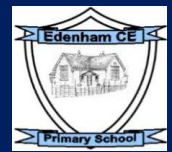


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I'm not sure how this has happened; it is already our final newsletter of our first half term. Although children may be starting to tire, they are still doing a fantastic job and it is wonderful to see the enthusiasm they are demonstrating in their classrooms. Our final day of term will be Thursday 22nd October, with children being able to have a well deserved rest!

## Clothing

Following guidance we continue to ensure all classrooms are well ventilated by having doors and windows open. This obviously effects the temperature of classrooms. Please ensure your child is suitably dressed with a jumper or cardigan so they can remain comfortable. ***Please ensure items of clothing are named.***

## Collective Worship

It has been great to carry out Collective Worship each day and have the school altogether virtually. Father Ed and our Bishop's Visitor Anthony Andrews have also been leading Collective Worship each week which has been great. Moving forward we will facilitate individual bubbles safely going to church, at various points, to participate in Collective Worship with Father Ed.

## Homework

We are thoroughly looking forward to seeing the children's home learning with many of them talking with great excitement about what they have been up to. Children are also very engaged with Reading Eggs / Eggress and Mathletics at the moment which will only have a positive impact on their learning in school. Please continue to encourage this at home.

## Progress Reports

Children will be bringing home Progress Reports on Friday 6th November, these will replace Parents Evening at this point. The reports will touch on all aspects of your child's progress and behavior, including their current targets.

## Keeping updated

We recognise how important it is to keep you updated with what your children have been up to in school, so don't forget to keep an eye on our class twitter accounts which can also be seen on the class pages on our website.

## Social Distancing

Thank you for your cooperation at the start and end of the day, with you only coming to the gate at designated time, it has made it far easier to social distance, as well as making it easier for teachers to identify children's adults

## Forest School

Just a reminder, Forest School sessions will continue even though it is starting to get colder and slightly damp. Please make sure your children have suitable clothing, including a spare set of footwear.



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## Allergies

**Please remember**, we are a nut and kiwi free school. Any snacks or items in lunchboxes should not contain any nuts (*this includes nut based chocolate spreads or cereal bars*) or any products containing sesame seeds.



Each week children will have a chance to become a 'journalist' and add to our newsletter. This week it is the turn of children in Blackman Class:

In English this week we have been writing up our non-chronological reports. These have been planned, drafted and now are finished. So, we are now starting a book topic about 'Thief' by Malorie Blackman. This is our class book, which is why our class is called 'Blackman class'. In this topic, we will be answering questions about the characters emotions and feelings. This will include; hot-seating, writing down our thoughts on Lydia- the main character- and just thinking about the character.

In maths we have been doing multiplication with lots of different methods; short, expanded, and grid methods.

In science we have been researching about famous astronauts. After we had researched all the facts, Miss Glover chose two people to hotseat Tim Peake and Neil Armstrong. We had to interview the astronauts to find out more information.

In R.E. we have been learning about Hinduism. We have learned about dharma, ahimsa and satsang. We have also done a role play on Rama and Sita- this was very fun. As well as this, our class has thought about believing, living and thinking, using religious education to help. In conclusion, this week has been really fun and we are very excited for the rest of the term.

Written by pupils from Blackman Class