



## ESCRICK CE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 8

**31<sup>st</sup> October**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Before we finished for the half term break we celebrated our new Writer of the Month Awards for one child per class.

**Reception – Aurelia** for doing lots of super writing in all of the provision areas, well done.

**Year 1 – Elsie** for trying hard with her finger spaces, capital letters and full stops. Super effort and determination.

**Year 2 – Isaac A** for really trying hard with his spelling and vocabulary.

**Year 3 – Rafe** for an excellent use of Year 3 punctuation and attention to detail.

**Year 4 – Jack R** for consistently trying hard with joining his handwriting and what a huge improvement you have made, well done!

**Year 5 – Rosie** for creative writing and always adding her own twist! Thank you.

**Year 6 – Theo B** for really trying hard to improve the presentation of his writing, fantastic progress since September.

Head teacher Awards for the rest of this term will focus on our school values of FLOURISH – friendship, learning, opportunities, unique, respect and resilience, included, solve problems and be happy. These values are referred to daily and the children know the significance of them within our school so we will be emphasising the importance of them and celebrating the children living these values.

Our **Collective Worship theme** is Creation and Trust before we move to the season of Advent. We have collective worship on a daily basis and alongside teachers taking the worship, we also welcome members of the clergy, Open the Book and YoYo. These times are used to celebrate religious festivals and to promote the spiritual, moral and cultural development of the children. The worship sessions vary and include drama, video clips, stories and parables and also offer the children time to think and reflect on the world in which we live.

**Playtime Snacks** – Please can we remind you that nuts or snacks with nuts in are not permitted in school. We have children with severe nut allergies in school and it is crucial that they are not at risk. Can we also ask that playtime snacks are healthy and can include fruit, breadsticks and vegetables. Crisps and chocolates are not encouraged for morning snack but you can choose to include them in your child's packed lunch if you so wish.

**Wet and cold weather** – As we move closer to winter please can we ask that all children have a jumper/cardigan and coat for every school day. Some tasks involve the children going outside for their learning and it is really important that they are appropriately dressed for this. Those classes who have timetabled forest school sessions will need their forest kit as per the information on their class curriculum newsletter. PE lessons can alter between inside and outdoor so please provide your child with suitable clothing.

**PTA reminder** of the upcoming **Festive Clothing Sale** – any donations of Christmas clothing for our stall is greatly appreciated. There will be a box in the parent shelter for your items, that can include Christmas jumpers, dresses and t shirts. The clothing sale will be open to all and prices will be on a pay as you feel basis.

**Clubs for this half term** – information and letters were sent before the half term break. All those that have been given a place were notified on the last day of term.

Monday – Year 4 yoga with Ben – places still available (email Mrs GB)

Monday – Year 3 & 5 Christmas club – FULL

Fix our Food club – Year 4/5/6 - FULL

This half term is always busy in school as we have many exciting things planned.

**Dates for your diary – please see attached calendar for the half term ahead**

**Christmas – more details to follow but key dates are below.**

Reception children will be performing a play for us and there will be 2 tickets per family per performance.

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am and 2.15pm

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 10am.

Year 1 and 2 children will also be performing a play for us this year and due to space restrictions there will be 2 tickets per family for 2 of the 4 performances.

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am and 2.15pm

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 2.15pm

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am.

With best wishes

Miss Emma E Miller

**‘Every person is an individual and also part of a community’**

1 Corinthians 12:12-27