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# Elsecar Holy Trinity Primary School

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Elsecar Holy Trinity is a **nurturing, inclusive**, Church school where everyone is **valued** as a child of God. We warmly **welcome** people of all faiths/worldviews and backgrounds, fostering **respect, compassion** and **forgiveness**. Rooted in **faith, family and community**, we aim to **grow** together in love, developing **wisdom, knowledge** and **aspirations** for a **brighter future**.

## \*This week\*

As we reach the end of the autumn term, I want to take a moment to celebrate all the hard work, achievements, and wonderful moments we've shared together. It has been a term full of learning, growth, and community spirit, and I couldn't be prouder of our pupils and staff.

On behalf of everyone at Elsecar Holy Trinity I'd like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May this festive season bring joy, peace, and time to relax with loved ones.

We look forward to welcoming you all back in January for an exciting new term ahead!

## \*Justice and Responsibility\*

Thank you to Holly and all the children for their fantastic fundraising efforts for The Salvation Army. You helped raise over **£400** to support vulnerable people over Christmas.



## \*Christmas Disco\*

Our Christmas Disco was a fantastic way to end the term and celebrate the festive season together! The children had an amazing time dancing, laughing, and enjoying the music with their friends. It was wonderful to see so much joy and excitement as we wrapped up a brilliant autumn term.



## \*Attendance Matters\*

Well done to this week's attendance WINNERS!

**Y3 (96.8%)**

Whole school attendance:

93.6%

Year to date:

94.5%

School Target:

96%



## \*Staffing Update\*

We would like to inform you that Lisa Smith will be leaving us in January to take up an exciting new role at Barnsley College. Lisa has been an invaluable member of our team, and we are deeply grateful for all her hard work and dedication during her time with us. She will be greatly missed by pupils, staff, and parents alike, and we wish her every success in her new position.

I'm pleased to share that we have successfully recruited to the post, and Joanne Spensley will be joining us as our new Office Manager. Joanne previously worked in our school office and brings a wealth of experience.

## \*A Huge Thank You\*



We are delighted to share that, thanks to the amazing fundraising efforts of our PTA, every child in school will receive a book for Christmas! This generous gesture reflects their incredible commitment to enriching the experiences of our pupils and fostering a love of reading.

We are so grateful for all the hard work and creativity that goes into their events and activities. I know the PTA has lots of exciting plans and ideas for the rest of the year, and we can't wait to see what's next!

## \*Dates for the diary\*



### Return to school

Mon 5th Jan

### Art Club

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Jan

### Lego Club

Tues 6<sup>th</sup> Jan

### Gymnastics Club

Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Jan

### Class Photographs

Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Feb

### Half term

Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Feb

## \*KS1 Nativity\*

On Wednesday morning, our Year 1 children gave a truly amazing performance of their Nativity in church. It was a wonderful occasion filled with festive spirit, and the children were absolutely fantastic—singing, acting, and narrating with confidence and joy.

A huge thank you to all the staff who worked so hard to prepare the children, and to parents and carers for your support. It was a beautiful way to celebrate the season together as a school community.



## \*Promoting Local Clubs\*

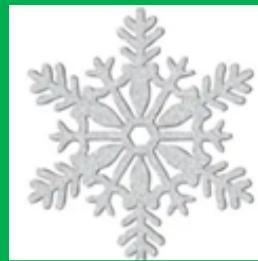
If you know of any local clubs looking for new member or clubs you would recommend to other parents, please let us know.

We would be happy to promote them via our school newsletter. Currently I have a parent asking for a local gymnastics club if anyone can help?





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## Snowflake Sponsorship

