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Headteacher's Notes:

Our busy start to term has continued this week and, as well as the learning in class, it has been great to see so many children taking advantage of our range of after-school clubs and activities - everything from football, Forest Skills and French to construction club, choir and karate. If you haven't before considered all of the fantastic options on offer, please check out the school website for what's on offer... www.elystjohns.cambs.sch.uk/website/autumn_2022_after_school_clubs/. It won't be long before the team start putting together the offer for the Spring term and sharing with you all.



Choir Club



Football Club

I was lucky enough to be able to attend the first 'Friends' (PTA - Parent Teacher Association) meeting of the year last week and am delighted to report that the committee are already hard at work preparing for an exciting term of activities, with our highlight being the return of the much loved Christmas Fayre at the end of November. It is going to be amazing! 'Save the Date' information about this and other 'Friends' events can be found over the page. If you do feel that you would like to get involved and support the 'Friends' by volunteering some of your own time, then please don't hesitate to get in touch with us via the school office.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our Parent Consultations next week, I will be on hand at the office to welcome as many of you as possible and to take any general questions or ideas you may have.

Finally from me this week, if you haven't yet had a look and followed us on Twitter (@ESJ_Primary) then please do! It's a great place to see inside what's been happening in school and just what we all get up to day-to-day.

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For your diary...



Parent Consultations — Autumn Term

Just a reminder that our first '**Parent Consultations**' will take place for pupils in Year One to Six **next week** (beginning Monday 26th September). Thank you for signing up for a consultation — if you still have yet to book a time slot please email our admin team at cgodfrey@elystjohns.cambs.sch.uk and we will sort a convenient time. It is such a valuable opportunity to discuss the start to term for your child - please don't miss out!

Foundation Stage 'Parent Consultations' will take place in the week beginning Monday 10th October.



The Friends



Our fantastic PTA (The Friends) have already been hard at work planning and preparing for this term's events. Please see below for some important 'Save the Date' information - more information will follow in the coming weeks from The Friends about each event and how to support and get involved.



Uniform Sale

Wednesday 5th October (3:00pm - 3:30pm) on the playground.

Pre-loved, good quality uniform for all ages for sale.



Cake Sale

Tuesday 18th October (3:00pm - 3:30pm) on the playground.

The very best Ely can bake! Don't miss out!

Christmas Fayre

Saturday 26th November (2:00pm - 4:00pm)

The Christmas Fayre is back! Local craft stalls, Santa's Grotto, café and lots, lots more!

(We will be asking for donations for the Tombola stall - to be brought in on Friday 11th November)



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Reminders and Updates...



Requests for Class Lists

Please be aware that teachers and the school office are unable to give class lists of names to parents. We need to ensure that we follow all appropriate GDPR guidelines around personal information and consent for sharing and so must be strict with this. Thank you for your understanding.

Parking



If you are driving your child to school and parking in nearby roads, please be considerate of local residents and avoid blocking driveways or parking up on kerbs or pavements. We aim to work with local residents to ensure that even at busy pick-up and drop-off times no one is unable to leave their property and that safety and thoughtfulness are key priorities.

If you are using the 'drop-off' zone in the school car park, please ensure that you do not park, leave your vehicle and walk to the playground. The 'drop-off' zone is for drop-offs only! Thank you.

Personal Conduct



In line with all public services, we ask every member of our school community to treat each other with respect, tolerance and understanding. In all our interactions, we will not tolerate any verbal abuse or intimidatory behaviour towards a member of staff, parents or members of our wider community.

We always welcome any questions, comments or concerns - and thank you for raising them in a polite and constructive manner.



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