

Endsleigh Holy Child VC Academy



Headteacher Mrs. E Barrs

Newsletter 4th April 2025



Dear Parents/Carers,

What a first week it has been for me here at Endsleigh Holy Child! It has been a real privilege for me to get to know your young ones more this week, and to see their enthusiasm for learning. Primary is very different to secondary (for example the little ones want to give hugs whereas the older ones do not tend to embrace me at St Mary's) but one thing that unites us is our Catholic faith and flourishing in Christ.

On Monday I delivered assembly to the whole school (including EYFS) regarding our EHC3 and what I expect to see in classrooms and at playtime and lunchtime. The children here are keen to please, keen to work hard and keen to be praised where praise is due – and rightly so.

In response to this, I am introducing "EHC Student of the Week" certificates, which I have given out this morning. Students have been nominated by their class teacher for all the wonderful work they have done alongside an exceptional attitude. Well done to all those who received the first of these awards this week. This will continue after Easter.

Furthermore, we have awarded attendance certificates to all those who have achieved 100% this spring term. Attendance is hugely important and is a clear factor in ensuring your child achieves academically, interacts socially and develops personally. Attendance at EHC is currently 95.6% for this year, but I believe we can be even higher! Let's all strive for our school to be 96% in the summer term. A huge well done to all those students who have achieved 100%, we are all very proud of you.

Speaking of being proud, I was filled with immense pride during our Palm Sunday Celebration of the Word earlier this week, we prayed together as a community in the hall before walking around the playground waving our palms and even the weather was a little similar to how I imagine Jerusalem to have been on that sunny day when Jesus entered riding on a donkey to be greeted with palms and praise!

Last of all, please know that I see it is as a privilege to be here for your child during Mrs Barrs' planned absence. Your child is amazing, and I want to help them to grow and flourish during this time. The staff at Endsleigh Holy Child work exceptionally hard and have a deep depth of care for the children they serve.

Thank you for all of your support and I wish you a peaceful and holy Easter.

God bless,

Mrs Stead



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Easter Holiday - school closes on Friday 4th April and re-opens on Tuesday 22nd April

Y4 swimming lessons - Tue 22/04/2025 to Fri 02/05/2025

May day - Monday 5th May

Half term - school closes on Friday 24th May and re-opens on Monday 2nd June

Summer Music Concert – Tuesday 17th June

School closes for the summer break on Friday 18th July

School opens for the Autumn Term on Wednesday 3rd September

Easter Egg Raffle

Our Easter Egg Raffle was drawn today during our Celebration Assembly

1st Prize Joanna

2nd Prize Zoey

3rd Prize Molly



Designated Roles

SENCO/Safeguarding Lead – Mr. J Fox

Assistant Head – Mr. J. Guthrie

EYSF Lead – Mrs. J Leach

From Mrs Stapleton – I was lucky enough to watch Jacob ring the bells in St Mary's Church in Beverley on Saturday 8th March. He had mentioned he was doing this so I thought I'd pop along and have a listen. I got chatting to a man in the church and I happened to mention that a pupil of mine was ringing the bells. He knew I was talking about Jacob and invited me to go to the top of the church to watch! It was a scary walk up (75+ steps) but it was worth it to see Jacob and his team in action.



Jacob Thompson
The Endsleigh Bell Ringer

Hi I'm Jacob.

The first time I heard the bells I was hooked. The first practice was amazing and the first time I heard 10 and then 12 bells ringing I was amazed.

There are many different sounding bells that sound harmonious or dull. When there is a funeral we can muffle the bell which means only one side of the clapper sounds the bell to make it more mournful.

Jacob started to ring in September 2023 and took around 6 months to learn to ring independently. His home tower is Walkington and he is a member of the Beverley & District Ringing Society.

Jacob regularly rings on a Sunday morning before service and will ring at his first wedding in September this year.

Jacob gets the opportunity to ring at many churches on practice nights and has rang at 20 different churches including Hull and Beverley Minster.

Jacob's ambition is to ring at Liverpool Cathedral as it has the heaviest ring of 12 bells in the world!



CELEBRATE THE LAUNCH OF **THE BOY WITH BIG DECISIONS!**



**FREE
FAMILY
EVENT**

**Thursday,
April 10th
2 PM - 4 PM
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