Please remember, we have an open door policy - Kathy Davies is your first port of call and she will be happy to arrange an appointment with Mrs Lakey, or a class teacher, if she cannot resolve your query.

Parent consultations will take place next week, if you haven't requested an appointment please phone Kathy.

Don't forget it's our Harvest Festival service this Friday, 12th October at 6.00pm in Ellingham Church. We will be collecting non-perishable items for the local food bank and having a collection for Christian Aid. Our theme this year is the harvest in our gardens. If you have grown something in your garden this year we would love to display it in church.



Our After School care has proved to be very popular. We are taking bookings through until December. If you would like a form please ask Kathy. We run after school care every night from 3.00pm to 5.00pm at £5.00 an hour. The children have a snack and depending on their age, can complete homework and do various activities. This can be booked at short notice depending on availability.

Our school football league has got off to a great start. We have played 1 match so far. Thank you to the parents who are supporting our footballers.

On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October, Reception - Y5 will be given flu immunisations by nasal spray. Permissions have already been collected.

On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October at 2.00pm, there will be a parents 'Keeping Your Child Safe Online' session at 2.00pm. The session is appropriate for all year groups Early Years to Y6 and will be led by Mrs Lakey.

On Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November, individual school photos will be taken. Siblings who are not yet in the Early Years unit are welcome to come at 8.30am to be photographed together. Every school age child with a brother or sister, will have an individual photo taken as well as a group shot. If you don't require both, please let us know as this will speed up the process. Please make sure your child is dressed smartly in school uniform with tidy hair.

Get your dancing shoes on and be prepared to boogie on down at the F.A.C.E.S Harvest Hoe Down on November 30th, at Bamburgh pavilion.. There will be games and prizes for all ages, optional fancy dress with food and a bar. More details will be sent out via the PTA.

Badminton after school will continue until Monday December 3<sup>rd</sup> and resume again on Monday January 14<sup>th</sup> until the February half term. We will assume your child will continue with the club after Christmas, unless you tell us otherwise. There will be no Badminton on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November - we will remind you!

On Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December, Y5 and 6 will be going to Newcastle to see the pantomime Aladdin. They will return at approximately 4.30pm and will need collecting from school. More details will be given closer to the time.

On Tuesday 11th December, the Early Years children will be going to Alnwick Gardens for Christmas festivities. More details will be given closer to the time.

Please have a PE kit in school. Always bring a coat. Don't forget swimming on Thursdays. Please stay away from school for 48 hours if you have been sick or have diarrhoea. The new email address for school is admin@ellingham.northumberland.sch.uk



On Tuesday December  $4^{th}$ , at 1.30pm, Early Years, Reception, Year 1 and 2 will be performing a Nativity Play in the school hall. This will be repeated at 5.30pm on Wednesday  $5^{th}$  December.

On Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December Y 3, 4,5 and 6 will be singing carols at 6.00pm in Ellingham Church. We hope that all children in these year groups will be present as they may have different singing parts.

Please ask if you have any questions.