



Eynsham Community Primary School
Newsletter - Friday 13th October 2023

Welcome

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a week full of activities and much fun has taken place.

Year 4 have been away on their first residential to Hill End. Photos and a report of what they all got up to will be in next weeks newsletter. Big thank you to all the staff who helped make this trip possible.

This week, I was extremely proud of our youngest members within our school community. Children in Robins and Kingfishers enjoyed their first trip to Cogges Farm in Witney. Its was reported by the leaders that they were some of the best behaved children that they had seen and were a credit to the school.

We are also proud of our girls football team who won their first tournament of the year and have been entered into the West Oxfordshire Under 11's final. Well done girls!

It was lovely to see everyone at the PTA meeting. It was a great turn out and we really appreciate all the support. Minutes from the meeting will be available so you can see what fund raising activities will be taking place this year.

I look forward to seeing you all next week at the parents' consultation and we wish our Year 5 children all the best as they go on their residential to Youlbury.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend

Yours sincerely

Ginny Bayliss

Executive Headteacher

Meet the team!

This week we will be meeting the Year 1 team!

My name is Dana Lau, I am the Teaching Assistant in Penguins class. I have been working at Eynsham Primary School since 2005. I started as a lunch time supervisor and later became a TA. I like working

with the younger children in KS1. Outside of school, I like spending time with my family and also watching cartoons.

My name is Alice Maton, I am the class teacher in Penguins class. This is my fourth year at Eynsham Primary School and third year teaching Year 1 and I love it! I live with my husband and dog, JJ. I like going on long dog walks and spending time with my family.

My name is Sarah Rayfield, I am the class teacher in Puffins Class. I have worked at Eynsham for 9 years, I started my career here as a TA then I did my teacher training and finally became a teacher - it is the best job in the world! At the weekend, I love to see my family and friends, go to the gym and spend time with my cat Bellatrix.

My name is Nicole Jeffery, I am the teaching assistant in Puffin Class. I have been working at Eynsham for 3 years. I have 2 children that go to Eynsham Primary School called Isaac and Harry. At the weekend, I like to watch my children play football, go swimming and look after my niece.



Reception trip to Cogges Farm

This week in Reception we went to Cogges Farm. We made paper plant pots and planted wheat seeds; used a flail to separate the wheat from the chaf before we had a go at grinding some grains into flour. Then into the kitchen to make bread and everyone had a stir of the dough! We rolled out individual portions of the dough to make our own bread roll to take home. We also had time to feed the goats, look at the chickens and go on an egg hunt. We finished by watching a puppet show of the Little Red Hen story. What a fantastic day we all had, it was such fun!









Staffing news

Sharon Hicks, who is our Higher Level Teaching Assistant at Eynsham, has relocated to Cheltenham and we are sad to say that she will be leaving us after half term. We appreciate everything Ms Hicks has done for the school, especially with the morning breakfast club. Ms Hicks will be going with Yr 6 on the Woodlands Residential and will departing after this.

Congratulations to Sarah Harris who will be taking over this role.

Mrs Jeffery will be stepping into breakfast duties.

Safeguarding

CAMHS are offering mental health awareness sessions for parents and carers. Please see the information below on how to access these.

PARENT WEBINAR

Parents are the most important part of young peoples lives and hold the key to helping them. Let us, help you, to help them.

CAMHS
Child and Adolescent
Mental Health Service

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS SESSIONS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

SUBJECTS INCLUDE

- TEEN ANXIETY
- SELF HARM
- LOW MOOD
- HOW TO TALK TO YOUR DISTRESSED CHILD

WWW.OXFORDHEALTH.NHS.UK/CAMHS/OXON/SIR/WEBINARS

PE events

U11s Girls football – EPA tournament

On Tuesday 10th October, 8 girls from years 5 and 6 represented Eynsham at an U11s Girls Football Tournament at Bartholomew School. There were 4 other schools in the tournament, St Peter's, Standlake, Stanton Harcourt and Hanborough. The competition was played as a round robin so all teams got the chance to play each other. We started off by playing Stanton Harcourt where we won 2-0. Next up we faced Hanborough and the girls played brilliantly to win 4-0. Our third match was against St Peter's which was a very close game but the girls fought hard to win 1-0. Finally we faced Standlake. Up to this point, neither teams had lost a match so it was all to play for and wow was the match intense! The game ended 0-0 which meant we had to all wait eagerly to find out who had won down to goal difference. I am so pleased to report that Eynsham U11s Girls were crowned the winners as we had scored 7 goals throughout the tournament and Standlake had only scored 4.

Throughout all the matches, all the girls showed huge amounts of determination, resilience and teamwork; they should all be incredibly proud of themselves. A big shout out goes to our top goal scorers Matilda and Imogen as well as our epic goalie Cadence! They all certainly made me proud as I stood cheering them on from the sidelines and the biggest thing that made me smile was how happy the girls were with their efforts. Keep it up!!



Year 6 leavers hoodies

It is that time of year where we order the Year 6 Leavers hoodies.... The hoodies will have the number 24 on the back, with all of the children's names printed inside. The **school logo** will appear on the front left as they wear them, and **their first name** (as know in school) on the right. Our Schools amazing PTA will be donate **£350** towards the overall cost, keeping the cost down for our parents. Please ensure you complete the form on ParentMail confirming the size you child will need. Also ensuring the final payments must be received through the ParentMail shop by **30th October 2023**. We cannot guarantee a hoodie for your child if payment is made after this date.

We can't wait to see your children in their hoodies!



Apple Day and Green Festival 2023

Everyone is welcome at Saturday's Apple Day and Green Festival 2 - 4.30pm at the Peace Oak Orchard. Pedestrian access through Cobbett's Close, Newland Street.

A chance to

- try out crafting, games, a treasure hunt, weave a wildflower meadow, help with apple juicing (and tasting!)
- bring an apple and leaf for expert identification
- learn about Eynsham's birds, water, making meadows, saving energy in our homes and delicious plant based food
- make a dish using plants (fruit, veg, beans, herbs etc) and enter our competition
- discover the wonderful Peace Oak orchard!

See our poster for more information.



Ballet



If your child is interested in ballet, then we have RAD ballet classes on a Saturday morning run by Victoria Hill.

All welcome for a free trial.

Email balletwithvictoriahill@gmail.com for further information.

School established 22 years.

Awards



Headteacher Award:

Year 1 - Orin, Tashvi

Year 2 - Eva

Year 6 - Pola, Iver

Year 5- Max, Sammy,

Reading Award:

Year 1 - Evie-Rose, Leo

Year 2 - Harry, Eva

Year 5 - Ellis, Frankie

Year 6 - Jacob, Rohan

Writing Award:

Year 1 - Imogen, Ayah

Year 5 - Erin C

Year 6 - Annie

Maths Award:

Year 1 - Afonso, Florence

Year 2 - Finley

Year 5- Holly, Aisha

Year 6 - Cadence

Bronze Award:

Year 1 - Louie, Florence, Casper, Milo, Abel, James, Jonathan, Henry

Year 5 - Tilly, Joshua

Year 6- Pola, Roman. Barney, Lucius, Freddy, Matilda, Audrey, Belle, Blake

Silver Award:

Year 5 - Kitson, Lexi, Aggie, Hannah, Sammy, Frankie

Year 6- Xavier, Shymon, Lin, Samuel, Zak, Elvin, Cadence, Millie,

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 23-24

16th – Wednesday 18th October Y5 Youlbury Trip

Wednesday 18th October Parents' Evening: 3:30-6:30pm Thursday 19th October: Parents' Evening:
4:30-7:30pm

Friday 20th October Last day of half term

Monday 30th October: INSET Day 2

Monday 30th October-Friday 3rd November Year 6 Woodlands Trip Parentmail item

Tuesday 31st October: Term 1 (2nd half) commences

Monday 6th November Boccia tournament at Bartholomew School 3.30-5.30pm

Thursday 9th November: Open Morning for prospective Parents (Early Years)

Thursday 9th November Year 6 – 1st Transition Day to Bartholomew

Monday 13th November: Anti-Bullying week - Odd Socks Day

Monday 20th November Yr 6 Athletics – Bartholomew Sports Hall 3.30-5.30pm

Wednesday 22nd November Y5 Evacuee experience at Didcot Railway Station

Thursday 23rd November: KS1 & KS2 Parents Stay and Learn Afternoon(History & Geography) 1.30pm

Friday 24th November Christmas Fair 4pm – 6pm

Monday 27th November –Tuesday 28th November Year 6 Cycling Proficiency

Friday 1st December Light Up Eynsham

Wednesday 6th December Morning for prospective Parents (EYFS)

Monday 11th December: KS1 Performance to the school: 1pm

Tuesday 12th December: KS1 Performance: 1pm (Babies and toddlers welcome)

Tuesday 12th December: KS1 Performance: 6pm (Adults only)

Wednesday 13th December: KS1 Performance: 6pm (Adults only)

Thursday 14th December: FS Christmas Singing (Parents invited @ 2:00pm)

Thursday 14th December: Parents open afternoon beginning at 2:45pm with mince pies and mulled wine.

Wednesday 20th December: End of Term (Finish at 1:15pm)

Monday 8th January: INSET Day 3

Tuesday 9th January: Term 2 (1st half) commences

Tuesday 23rd January: Reception & Year 6 NCMP (School Nurse Team)

Wednesday 7th February: Parents' Evening: 3:30-6:30pm

Thursday 8th February: Parents' Evening: 4:30-7:30pm

Friday 9th February: End of half term

Monday 19th February: Term 2 (2nd half) commences.

Wednesday 28th February KS1 & KS2 Parents Stay and Learn Afternoon (Geography) 1.30pm

Monday 4th March: Yr 6 Netball tournament at Bartholomew 3.45-5.30pm

Thursday 7th March: World Book Day

Friday 17th March: Red Nose Day

Monday 18th March: Year 4/5 Production to school: 1pm

Tuesday 19th March: Year 4/5 Production to parents: 1pm(Babies and toddlers welcome) Year 4/5
Production to Parents: 6pm

Wednesday 20th March: Year 4/5 Production to Parents: 6pm

Thursday 28th March: End of Term (Finish at 1:15pm)

Monday 15th April INSET DAY 4

Tuesday 16th April: Term 3 (1st half) begins

Thursday 2nd May Mayday parade Monday 6th May: May Bank Holiday School Closed

Monday 13th May KS2 Sats -Friday 17th May

Friday 24th May Summer Fete with Dance performances 2:00pm

Friday 24th May Last day of half term

Monday 3rd June Term 3 (2nd half) commences.

Sunday 9th June Run Wytham Woods

Thursday 4th July EYFS Sports Afternoon

Friday 5th July Sports Day Friday 12th July Back up sports day in case of bad weather

Friday 12th July Reports out

Monday 15th July Year 6 production- dress rehearsal to school (no parents)

Tuesday 16th July Year 6 production – afternoon performance to parents

Wednesday 17th July Year 6 production – evening performance to parents

Monday 22nd July: Morning - Year 6 leavers celebration to the school

Monday 22nd July: Year 6 leavers celebration to parent – 1:15

Tuesday 23rd July End of Term (Finish at 1:15pm)

Contact

If you would like to get in touch with a member of staff here at school, please see the contact details below

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