



Eynsham Community Primary School Newsletter - Friday 9th February

Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a lovely end of the first half of Spring term, the children have worked extremely hard in the last five weeks and it has been brilliant to see the progress they have made. It was great to see so many of you at the parents' information evenings this week, hopefully you have got all a clear understanding of where your child is and what they have been learning this term. Our next parents' event is on Wednesday 28th February at 1:30pm where we will be having our Stay and Learn in Geography.

Next half term is extremely busy with World Book Day taking place on Thursday 7th March. (See below for further information) and rehearsals will truly begin for the Year 4/5 Production.

A massive thank you for all your support with Break The Rules day- we raised a huge £471! This is an amazing amount going towards the Oxtrail, supporting Sobell House.

I hope that you all have a lovely half term break and I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 19th February.

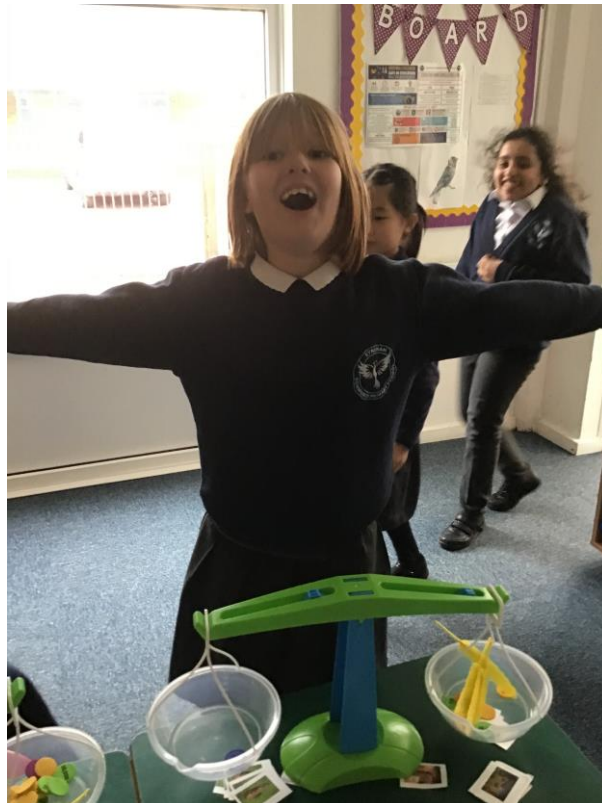
Yours sincerely

Ginny Bayliss

Executive Headteacher

Year 4 Class News

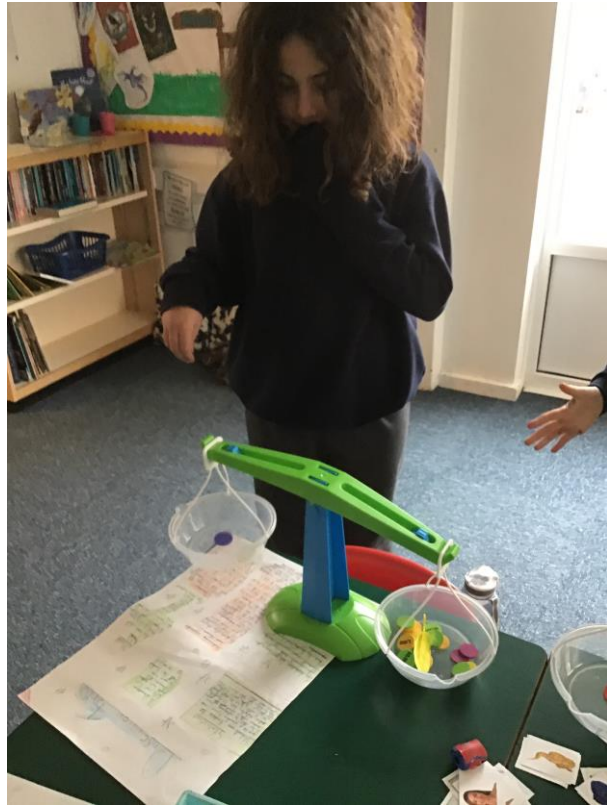
Last week, Year 4 explored how the Ancient Egyptians travelled through the underworld in an attempt to visit the Field of Reeds (The Egyptian afterlife). The children used drama to walk through scorching deserts, swim across vast oceans and vanquish beasts using spells from the Book of the Dead. Finally, the children had to weigh their hearts in order to enter paradise. These pictures show the final challenge Egyptians faced before they met Osiris in the afterlife

















Year 1 Class News

This term in Year One, we have really enjoyed our Art unit. Our unit this term was called Paper Play. This was all about being able to manipulate paper in different ways to make a sculpture. The first

lesson included making tube towers that were the shape of cylinders, this recapped our learning of 3D shapes and also reminded us of our windmill DT project. The second lesson found us creating 3D drawings, manipulating paper to create different shapes of our own choice, some of the children decided to decorate white paper, whereas others used coloured paper. The children then brought this learning together by independently creating their own garden which used the manipulating skills they had learnt in lesson 1 and 2. Lastly, as a really nice way to end the term and the Art unit, the children created a 3D spider! This allowed them to work collaboratively as a class to use all the skills from the Art unit, improving their oracy skills and team work. What a great unit of work; please have a look at the brilliant photos of some of our work.



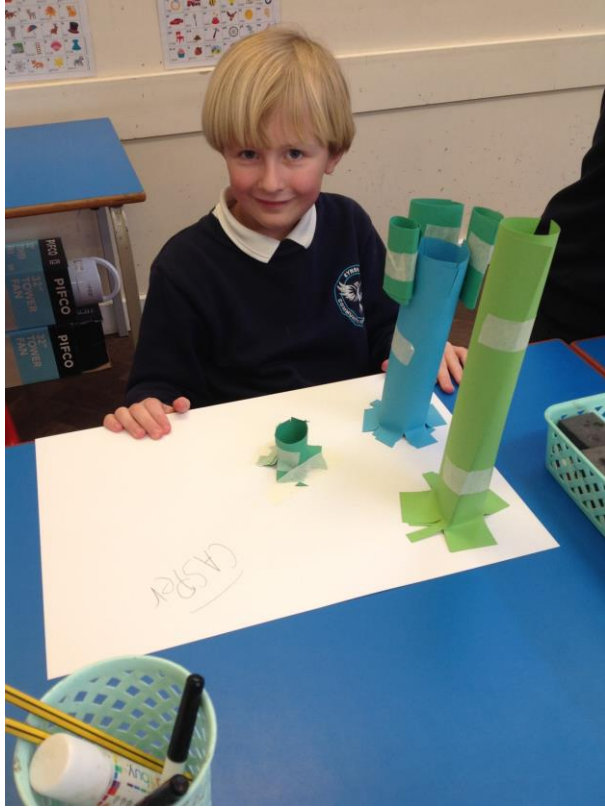








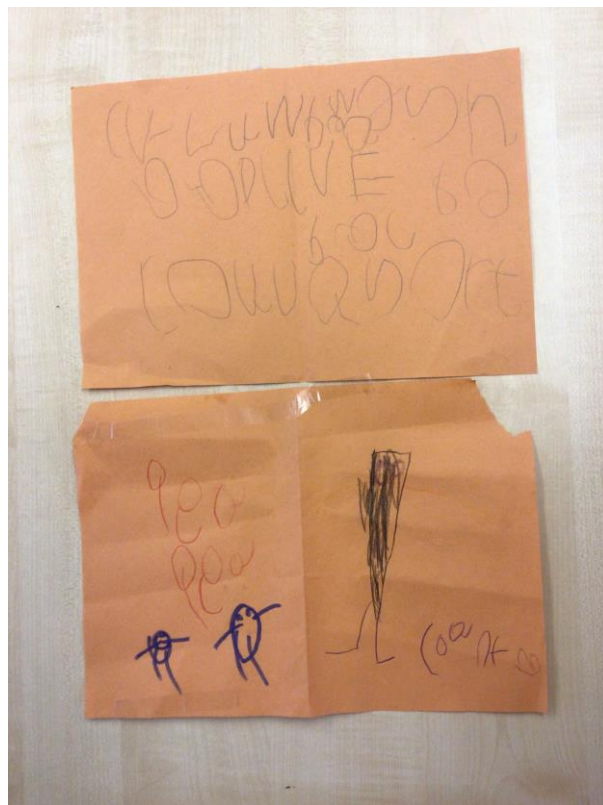






Nursery News

Ducklings have been looking at the book Supertato. So far we have learnt about the characters and joined in with repeating phrases in the story. We did some cutting and sticking to create our own vegetable characters and cut potatoes to print with. Some of us had a go at writing our own Supertato story, until we discovered that Evil Pea had escaped and trapped our veg under baskets. We then designed wanted posters to help catch him and put them in the windows so everyone passing could see what he looked like.







Stay and Learn- Geography

On Wednesday 28th February, we will be hosting another Stay and Learn session from 1.30pm for parents to come and join. The focus of this Stay and Learn will be Geography, looking at how we have

designed our Geography curriculum and how we teach this to the children. There will be a presentation in the hall by Mr Williams (Geography Lead) at 1.30pm and parents are then invited into the classrooms to see Geography in action.

We look forward to seeing lots of you there.

Football report



It has been a fantastic end of the term for our footballing teams. On Tuesday, we ventured to Glory Farm for their second fixture of 2024. It was another great performance by the boys who walked away with a 5-0 win. The boys moved the ball around beautifully creating space for each other and goals were scored by: Zach JM, Roman, Sammy, Arthur and Charlie.

Wednesday saw the managerial debut of Mrs Jeffrey, who took our B team for their first fixture of 2024. Filled with a squad full of debutants to go with the new manager, they blew the other school away. The game finished 10-0 to Eynsham with a vast majority of the team scoring. Goals scored by: Isaac x3 Max x3, Harry F 1, Seb 1, Theo 1 and Harry J 1. That means both teams have played 2 games this year scoring 24 goals and conceding only 2 in those games.



Meet the team!

This week we will be meeting the Early Intervention Hub team.

The Early Intervention Hub (EIH) is a learning support facility to support children in Key Stage One who require additional Social, Emotional and Mental Health support. The aim of the EIH is to enable children to learn to understand and manage their emotions and behaviour in a way which will enable them to engage effectively in school and beyond; building their self-esteem and enabling them to make progress with their learning and development.

The EIH is part of Oxfordshire County Council's enhanced pathways, and we welcome children from other schools within Oxfordshire. The EIH prides itself on the collaborative approach it takes towards working with parents and other professionals to ensure a consistency of use of language and strategies used.

Meet the EIH Team....

Hello, my name is Mrs Thomas and I am the Early Intervention Hub teacher. I joined Eynsham Primary in September 2023, having worked with primary aged children for just over 20 years. I'm really enjoying being part of the Eynsham team and my own two children also attend school here. In my spare time, I enjoy art, reading and spending time with my family.

Hello, I'm Mrs Wheeler, I have worked here at Eynsham as a Teaching Assistant for just over 5 years and this is currently my 3rd year working in the Early Intervention Hub. I have 4 children all of which attended Eynsham Primary, my youngest son is currently in year 4. I enjoy spending time with my family, cooking, baking, reading and colouring.



Book Week

World Book day is on Thursday 7th March. Please see below for what we have in store for the whole week to celebrate all things books.

Tuesday 5th March-Bookie Brekkie-8:15-8:35 - £1 donation minimum.

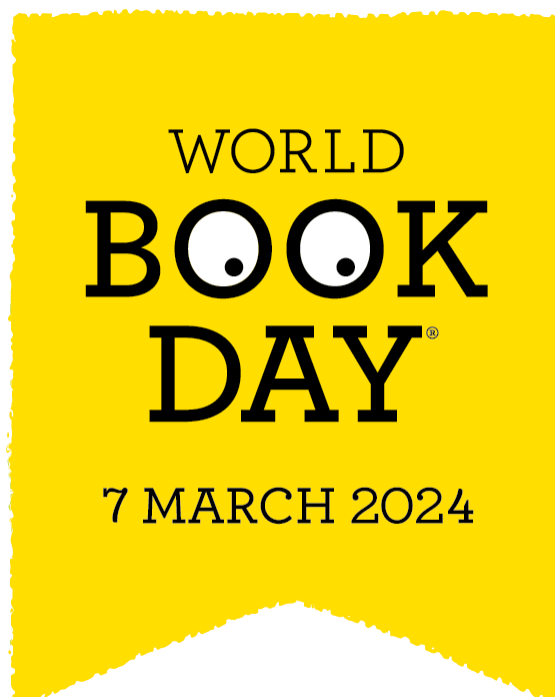


We are warmly welcoming children from Nursery-Year 6 to come to school early, from 8:15 am on Tuesday 5th March, to enjoy story time in their classes with their teachers, whilst having a light continental breakfast and juice drink. Please see your parent mail for more info and to make payment.

World Book Day - Dressing Up – Thursday 7th March

Every child within our school community is invited to dress up as their favourite character from a book to make the day feel extra special. Prizes will be awarded for the best dressed, most creative and original characters! Please send your child in with a copy of the book in which their character is from.

Keep your eyes peeled for the staff theme this year!



Book Tokens



Every child in the school will be bringing home a National Book Token, please use to redeem for a free book in a local bookshop.

Magazine Editor Visit – Year 2/KS2



We are very excited to announce that we will be having a very special guest from DJ Murphy publishing (who have been writing since 1949) Sarah Burgess. She is currently a writer and editor for Pony Magazine and Horse & Rider. Sarah will be spending time in both year 2 classes, carrying out a comic story strip workshop and competition! Alongside this, Sarah will also be working with some enthusiastic KS2 children who would like to take part in a workshop competition (with a chance of being published in PONY Magazine), as well as a Q and A session, all about producing stories/articles and comics for an extremely popular, national magazine. We hope this will be a truly wonderful and inspiring opportunity for our pupils.

Book Swap Shop – Eagles Class (year 6) during lunchtime all week.

Children are warmly invited to bring in a good quality book which they no longer read and exchange it for a different one (maximum 3 books per child) I will be in my class all week at lunchtime for children to bring their books in and have a look at the books from other children and swap. Books can be brought in from **Monday 4th March**. Weather permitting – I will pop the books outside on a table after school, so please help yourself.

BOOKSWAP



Book Week - Whole School Competition

This year, we would love to continue to promote a love of reading and offer all of our children the opportunity to enter the following competitions:

1. Create a Potato Book Character

Decide on your favourite book character and use a potato, yes a potato, to make your character come to life! You can add anything to your potato, be as creative as you like. See the images below for ideas:





Or:

2. Create a diorama based on a book

Use an old shoe box or a cereal box, some junk modelling materials and some paint to create a diorama based on your favourite book. This could be a classroom for 'The Boy at the Back of the Classroom', a chocolate factory for 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' or a scrap metal yard for 'The Iron Man'. Please look at the pictures below for ideas:



This would make a great half term activity!

Children need to hand entries into their class teachers (to send to Miss Davis) by Monday 4th March, and the winners will be announced and prizes awarded, in our whole school assembly on World Book Day.

Parent notices

Early Years and Foundation Stage held their cake sale last week and managed to raise a huge £126.05! Well done and thank you to everyone that donated and purchased a cake.

Keys Stage 1 are up next with their sale happening on Friday 1st March- can they beat the amount raised so far?



We are excited to be offering the SWIFT course again to parents. This is for families and schools living and working with children who have autism and communication difficulties. Mrs Thomas will be running the course again next term on the following dates:

Wednesday 24th April 1.30 – 3pm

Wednesday 1st May – 1.30 – 3pm

Wednesday 8th May – 1.30 – 3pm

If you are interested in attending, please email the office to request a place.

This week the Foundation and KS1 children took part in a brilliant performing Arts workshop which was completely free; we were so lucky to be given this opportunity. The children thoroughly enjoyed being part of the Wild West! Please see information on how to sign your children up to this and a discount code. --

Try Perform for free and claim a £40 discount

Today, your child took part in a Perform drama, dance and singing workshop - a unique mix of activities designed to bring out every child's true potential.

Our small classes ensure lots of individual attention by our experienced teachers - hand-picked for their warmth, energy and professionalism. They'll focus on your child's engagement in the activities rather than their precision, and be with them every step of the way to guide, inspire and encourage.

As well as having fun at Perform, your child will enjoy real benefits: greater confidence, improved concentration and an increased awareness of what they can achieve.

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Perform Oxford
Wednesdays at 4pm
West Oxford Community Centre, Bailey Road, Oxford, OX2 8BT

Perform Oxford
Saturdays at 9.30am
Marston United Reformed Church, 352 Marston Road, New Marston, Oxford, OX3 0JB

Perform Abingdon
Saturdays at 9.30am
The Northcott Centre, Northcott Rd, Abingdon, Oxfordshire, OX14 1NS

Your £40 introductory discount
Your child can enjoy a free trial class at any Perform venue. Sign up on or before the expiry date to claim your special discount. Call 020 7255 9120 or visit perform.org.uk/free

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There was an error with the School Grid menu and some of the choices so please see the updated version below.

	Week 1 20th Jan - 25th Jan 12th Feb, 16th Mar, 25th Mar	Week 2 19th Jan - 25th Jan 19th Feb, 19th Mar, 1st Apr	Week 3 18th Jan - 18th Feb 26th Feb, 18th Mar
MONDAY	Hand Shredded Beef/Beefsteak or Pudding Pie with Garlic, Beef & Potato, Jacket Potatoes & Peas (GF) Jacket Potatoes & Peas (GF) Cream Cheese, Seasoned Bread Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread Fruit & Yoghurt (GF), Daily Dairy Home Bakes Seasonal Fruit, Fresh Yogurt	Hand Shredded Beef/Beefsteak or Pudding Pie with Garlic, Beef & Potato, Jacket Potatoes & Peas (GF) Jacket Potatoes & Peas (GF) Baked Potato, Vegetables, Seasoning, Cream Sauce Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread Vanilla Ice Cream (GF), Daily Dairy Home Bakes Seasonal Fruit, Fresh Yogurt	Hand Shredded Beef/Beefsteak or Pudding Pie with Garlic, Beef & Potato, Jacket Potatoes & Peas (GF) Jacket Potatoes & Peas (GF) Vegetarian Chicken Curry, Beef (GF) Jacket Potatoes & Peas (GF) Cream Cheese, Seasoned Bread Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread Ice Cream & Fruit (GF), Daily Dairy Home Bakes Seasonal Fruit, Fresh Yogurt
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Awards

Headteacher **Award:**

Year 6 - Salma A, Matilda C

Year 5- Freya H, Daniela.

Year 4- Alyosha, Zach

Year 3- Millie W, Eleanor M,

Year 2- Tinovimba, Zach

Year 1- George

Reading Award:

Year 6 - Myah

Year 5- Daisy

Year 3- Antonia, Ethan

Year 2- Harry D, Amy

Year 1- Eleanor W, Lara E

Writing Award:

Year 6 -Edward E

Year 5- Amelia S

Year 4- Yasin, Rayan, Cianna, James E

Year 3- William B

Year 2- Lowen, Harvey

Year 1- Finley B

Maths Award:

Year 6 - Zak H, Stephen T

Year 5- Eddie

Year 4- Mason, Joe

Year 3- Amelie C, Lucia, Michael E, Phoebe E

Year 2- Peace

Bronze Award:

Year 2- Peace, Tinovimba

Silver Award:

Year 3- Vihaan

Year 1- Evie-Rose

Gold Award:

Year 6- Alex R, Olivia D, Matilda C, Lucius M

Year 5- Holly HR

Year 4- Felix, Jasmine, Ella, Cianna

Year 3- Millie W, Jase

Year 2- Lola W, Isabella N, Samuel J, Henry C

Platinum Award:

Year 6- Oscar A, Millie K, Misha N, Myah J, Xavier W, Lin B, Theo H

Year 5- Lily H, Max C

Year 4- Lizzie

Year 3- Antonia P

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