



Eynsham Community Primary School Newsletter - Friday 15th March

Welcome

Dear parents/carers,

This fortnight has seen so many exciting events take place. A big thank you to all your support with World Book day, so many amazing costumes, dioramas and potato head characters were brought in. A big thank you to Miss Davis who organised the entire week and created such a wonderful experience for the children. Please see below a report on the events that took place.

Also, there have been a number of trips taking place which has helped enrich the topics that the children have been learning about. Again, reports from these trips are detailed below.

Finally, I am pleased to inform you that both Mrs Maton and Miss Rayfield are both expecting babies, and both will be going on maternity leave at the end of this academic year. Congratulations to them both! I am currently in the process of recruiting for new teachers and will be updating you when this has taken place. Mrs Heason will be returning from her maternity leave in the second half of the summer term and is planning on returning to work for 2 days a week.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

Ginny Bayliss

Executive Headteacher

World Book Day

What a fantastic celebration we have had here at Eynsham for World Book Week. We are extremely grateful to have such a wonderful, supportive community who have made such a tremendous effort with costumes and competition entries. Throughout the week, I have loved seeing children from all year groups bringing books to swap, engaging in discussions and recommendations on books in our 'Swap Shop' Please see the attached images of all our wonderful entries for both the potato characters and the setting dioramas. We are certain you will agree they are all amazing - showing so much effort and dedication. Huge thanks for all our incredible entries and a special well done to all our winners - you made it very tricky for the teachers to judge!

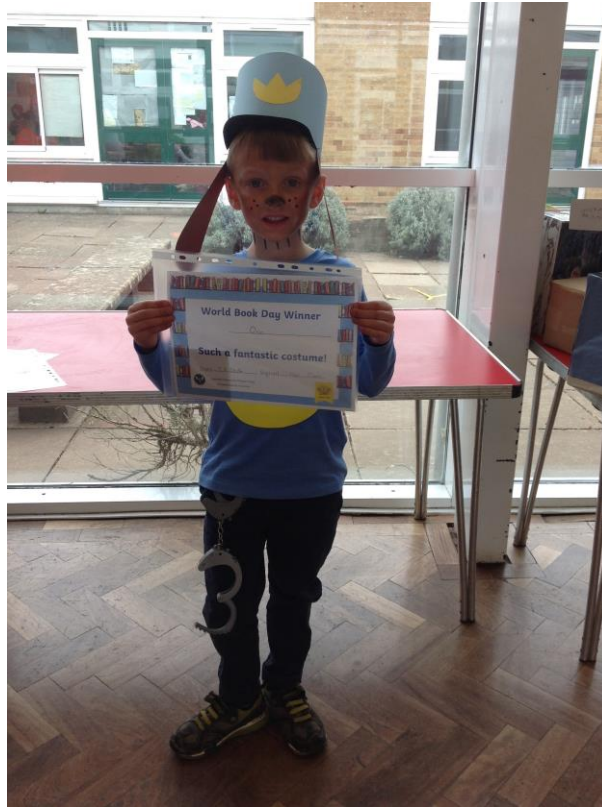
Across the school, the children have enjoyed reading with their 'Book Buddies' from another year group - please ask your child about this. We have joined in a live BBC lesson and an awesome webinar 'Footy and Booky' quiz - an interactive quiz, featuring top ballers from the Premier League, Football League and Women's Super League, alongside top authors. We have designed book tokens, bookmarks and even played a whole school 'Guess Who?' to discover which baby photographs belong to which members of staff - alongside their favourite books. Bookie Brekkie was another huge success and the week was topped off with exciting visitors including: Sarah Burgess, author and editor from national magazine 'Pony' and 'Horse and Rider'. The children loved getting creative with Sarah and writing their own versions of a pony adventure. Author of Queen Machine, Serene Singh loved visiting years 2-5 and sharing her fabulous book with the children. Overall, we have had a very

busy 'book week' and really appreciate all your help and support with this. The staff loved being Mr Men and Little Miss Characters and are already excited to plan our theme for 2025!

















Year 4 trip news

Last week, Year 4 travelled to London to visit the British Museum. Here, the children saw a range of Ancient Egyptian artefacts and exhibits such as the Rosetta Stone, sarcophagi, artwork and mummified bodies. They really enjoyed themselves and learnt a lot!





EVOLUTION OF COFFINS, c. 750-300 BC

25th Dynasty to 4th century BC

Beginning in the late 8th century BC, the steady change in the design of coffins and of other funerary objects. Cartonnage was superseded by inner coffins of wood, and mummy masks, with a gilded face. The paintings on the lid regularly include the goddess Isis and other protective deities. The most important ones included spells for the *Book of the Dead*, and extracts from the *Book of the Dead*, showing the deceased in a state of life, which was characteristic of the period. Some coffins were usually decorated with a lotus which alluded to the coffin's role as a protective vessel of the deceased, representing the heavenly realm of the gods and the base the underworldly realm.

The construction of the coffin was similar to that of the coffin. The outer case was made of a single piece of wood, which was of the same of a different shape were becoming increasingly common in the period, particularly in the north of Egypt.



Burial group of the priest Hunefer

The burial group of the priest Hunefer, including the golden sarcophagus and the dark stone statue, is a fine example of the art of the 19th Dynasty. The sarcophagus is decorated with hieroglyphs and a lotus motif, and the statue is a masterpiece of Egyptian sculpture. The group is housed in a museum, where it is displayed on a red carpeted floor.



Year 3 trip to The Living Rainforest

Last week year 3 visited the Living Rainforest in Newbury. The children were fascinated by the plants and animals they'd been learning about in class and were able to make connections to their work. We all enjoyed the warmer temperature for the day, and we had a fantastic tour where we learned more about plant and animal adaptations as well as the layers of the rainforest.









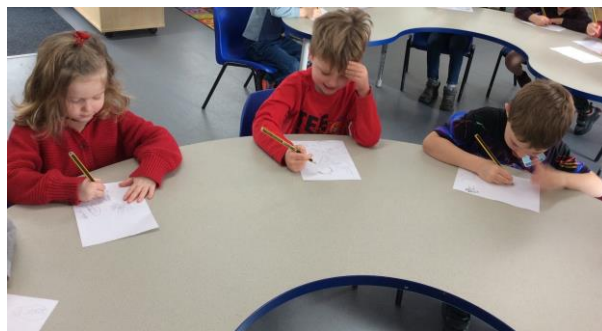


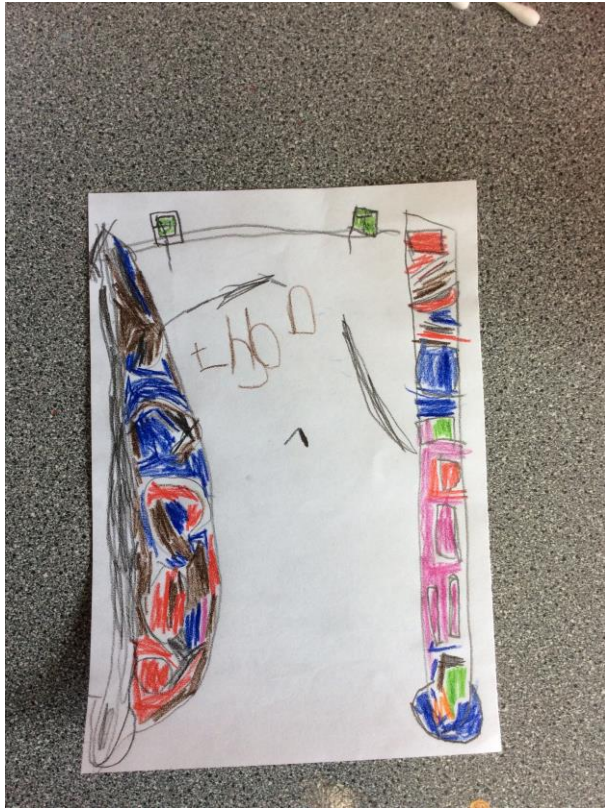


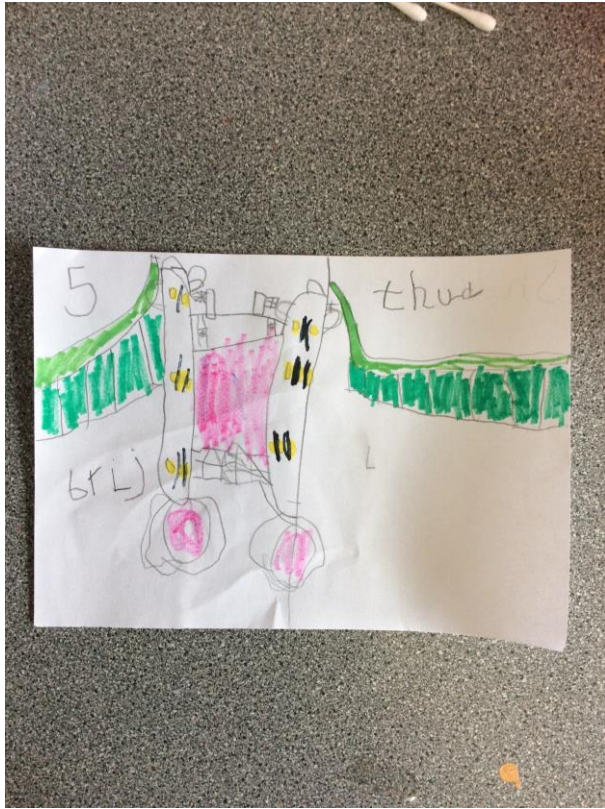


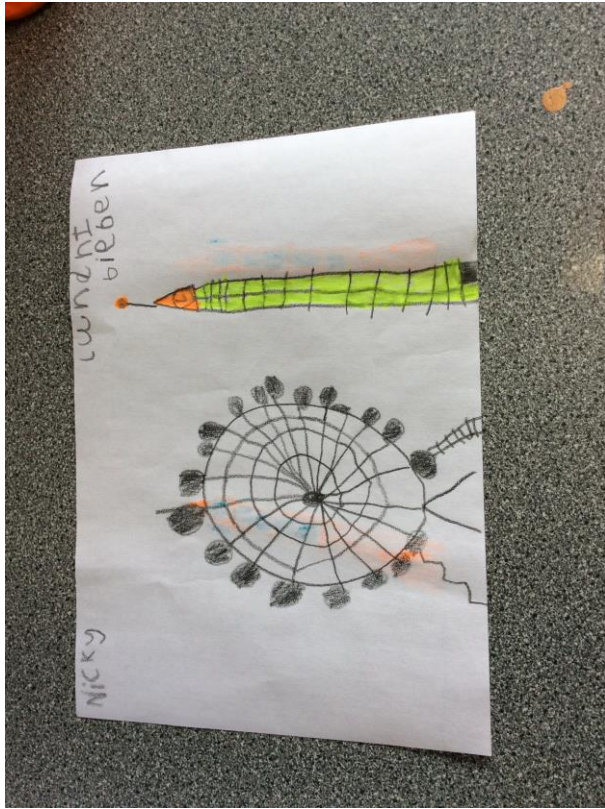
Foundation Class news

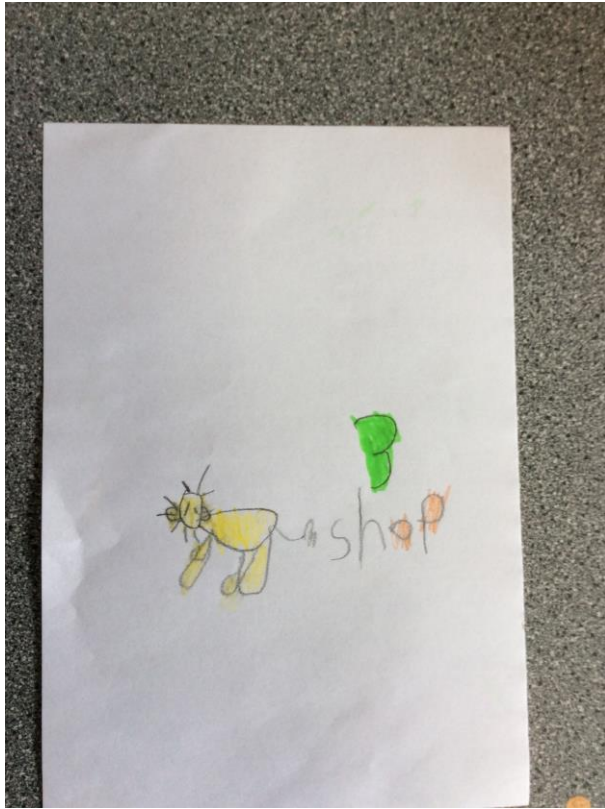
This week the Foundation classes have started Drawing club. We have focused this around our core text Katie in London. In each session we learnt new vocabulary and used our imagination to help our code words make the picture come alive. On Monday we drew the lion from our book, on Tuesday we drew the setting - this was a chance for us to draw the landmarks of London and then Friday we got to draw an adventure we would like the lion to take us on. We have had lots of fun using our imaginations. Here are some of the amazing drawings we created.

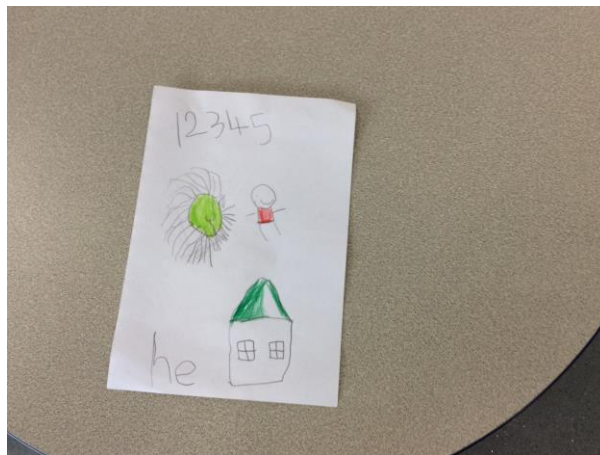












Coding News

On Wednesday, we were nominated to take part in a free Bupa Coding Days. In 2022, [Get with the Program](#) launched an initiative in partnership with global healthcare provider Bupa, giving schools free access to our Healthy Lunch-Bot Coding Adventure. Over 300 schools have now been involved in our Bupa Coding events, reaching approximately 25,000 children over the 22/23 academic year.

Each [coding adventure](#) consists of an online, interactive and engaging 30-minute show and two fun-filled 45-minute follow-up activities which teach coding within a healthy eating theme.

Each year group took part in a fun activity including being robots, following algorithms, repetition, creating their own code, and using Scratch. It was a great way of getting all children involved in coding in different ways and linked how computers and robots can help us in our everyday lives. It was also nice to have the cross-curricular link with healthy eating and a balanced diet.







Safeguarding

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Mrs Edwards

Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Bayliss

Mr Reeves

Mrs Neath

Miss Morgan

Mrs Podbery

Mr Clack



If you are concerned about the welfare of a child, it is your duty to report this to the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH). The team can be reached on 0345 050 7666.

Attendance

As a school, we monitor attendance figures on a weekly basis. We aim to have an average of 96%. We appreciate that there will be times with sickness bugs and illnesses which has an impact on children's attendance. However, good attendance means children are able to make progress with their learning. In the newsletters we will report on attendance in each class. Please see the table below for attendance so far. Well done to **Nightingales** who have the highest attendance so far.

Year Group	Class	Attendance
Foundation	Kingfishers	94.62%
Foundation	Robins	88.50%
Year 1	Puffins	95.63%
Year 1	Penguins	94.41%
Year 2	Flamingos	96.39%
Year 2	Toucans	94.67%
Year 3	Hummingbirds	94.70%
Year 3	Nightingales	97.07%
Year 4	Jackdaws	95.73%
Year 4	Woodpeckers	95.66%
Year 5	Hawks	92.21%
Year 5	Red kites	94.58%
Year 6	Eagles	94.46%
Year 6	Kestrels	94.43%

Clubszone Easter Leaflet



KIDS Holiday CLUB

For children aged 5 (Year 1) - 13
OFSTED REGISTERED



DATES:

2nd - 5th April 2024

8:40am - 4:15pm



Eynsham Primary School
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Time	Group 1 (5-7)	Group 2 (8-10)	Group 3 (10-12)	COACHING ACADEMY
8:40am - 9:15am	REGISTRATION AND GROUP GAMES			
9:15am - 10:00am	TAG GAMES	BASKETBALL	HANDBALL	ICE BREAKING GAMES
10:00am - 10:40am	DRAMA	QUAD BALL	TENNIS	CREATING A GAME
10:40am - 11:15am	MORNING BREAK			
11:15am - 12:15pm	LASER TAG	VOLLEYBALL	DANCE	LEADING ACTIVITIES
12:15pm - 1:15pm	LUNCH BREAK			
1:15pm - 2:00pm	DODGEBALL	DRAMA	ROUNDERS	LEADING ACTIVITIES
2:00pm - 2:45pm	FOOTBALL	ARCHERY	FENCING	RAFT CHALLENGE
2:45pm - 3:00pm	AFTERNOON BREAK			
3:00pm - 3:45pm	DANCE	FOOTBALL	PAC-MAN	CHOOSE YOUR GAME
3:45pm - 4:15pm	SIGNING OUT AND GROUP GAMES			



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Sponsored read by one of our Year 3 pupils

Year 3 are currently learning about the Amazon Rainforest. One of our wonderful pupils, Eleanor Mahony, was particularly distressed to learn about deforestation that is happening and has decided to take positive action to help. Eleanor is doing a sponsored read for 2 months, where she will commit to reading 3 chapters a week (or short books the length of a chapter) with the aim of raising £300 towards rainforest preservation.

If you would like to support Eleanor and the Rainforest Alliance, you can donate using her sponsorship page. The page is <https://give.rainforest-alliance.org/fundraiser/5261034>

Mr Walton is running the London Marathon 2024

I am running London Marathon this April and fundraising for Meningitis UK which is a charity close to mine and my family heart as my little cousin contracted the illness whilst in hospital which has effected him both socially and educationally. Any sponsorship would be great to help this charity out.

https://www.justgiving.com/page/connor-walton-1692349114618?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page%2Fconnor-walton-1692349114618&utm_source=copyLink&utm_campaign=pfp-share

Message from the PTA



Dear Parents and Carers,

As the end of term is fast approaching, we would like to update you with some of the events planned for the next few months.

Easter Disco Wednesday 27th March

Foundation/Year 1 – 3.30-4.15

Year 2/3 -4.30-5.15

Year 4/5 -5.30-6.16

Year 6 – 6.30-7.15

£3 per child to include a drink and snack.

Tickets available from the school office

This promises to be a fun evening for all. Parents can enjoy a sociable catch-up with friends in the main hall while your children boogie away in the sports hall. Bar and refreshments in main hall.

Book Fair May 1st-3rd

The Scholastic Travelling book fair will be with us in the Sports Hall after school. Books for all ages, 3 for 2 offers available.

School Summer fair Friday 24th June

The Summer fair will be taking place after the whole school's annual dancing, the afternoon will be full of dancing, laughter, games, fun and so much more, keep an eye out for further details.

As always, we will be looking to parents and carers to support us in our endeavours to raise funds for the school. By this we will be asking for donations of cakes and tombola items etc.

We will also be looking for volunteers to help before the day and on the day. To help with setting up, manning a stall, and clearing up. If you can help, please email Lucy Merry directly on lucy.merry@eynshamapps.co.uk

Run Wytham Woods Sunday 9th June

This annual fixture in the PTA calendar is a hugely popular event and last year we raised over £11,000 for the school and the Eynsham food bank.

Come and run round the beautiful Wytham Woods and enjoy a friendly, community event with something for everyone, no matter what your running ability. Or just come and cheer on your friends and family. Great cakes, hot and cold drinks available.

10k route

5k route

1 mile fun run

To register for this event please go to www.runwythamwoods.org

To make this event a success, we are looking for volunteers to help on the day. If you think you could spare a few hours to help with marshalling, car parking, check in, bag drop, refreshments then please

contact Andy Goodwin, Race Director on 07969 441321 or email the PTA on eynshamprimarypta@outlook.com

We are hugely grateful for any support you can give.

Awards



Headteacher Award:

Year 1- Imogen E

Year 2- Lola W

Year 3- Leo C, Amelie C, Emilia K, Lucia H

Year 4- Jackdaws Class, Edith S, Rayan, Yashfa

Year 5- Max C, Frankie H

Year 6 - Lucius, Alfie, Charlie M, Chendeng H, Joshua F

Reading Award:

Year 1- Abel L, Oliver R

Year 2- James W

Year 3- Alex J, Katia K, Timea K, Eleanor M

Year 4- Sophie C, Sherlock

Year 5- Hannah K

Year 6 - Lin, Oscar, Cadence L

Writing Award:

Year 1- Drew B-N

Year 2- Elias S

Year 3- Lola W-P, Isaac J, Lucia H

Year 4- Beau V, Edith S

Year 5- Lily H

Year 6 - Samuel, Rosa, Imogen W-G, Stella B, Rebecca D, Evelyn N, Theo H

Maths Award:

Year 2- Georgie

Year 3- Lorianne E, Nika N, Michael E, Jaedon K

Year 4- Sophie C, Allace C, Maggie

Year 5- Ruby A

Year 6 - Belle, Elvin, Harry F, Lin B

Bronze Award:

Year 4- Khrystyna H, Priscilia

Year 6 - Elvin, Rebecca, Cadence, Xavier, Theo, Zak, Samuel, Jacob, Bryn, Trystan, Imogen

Silver Award:

Year 1- Robyn P-B, Willow L, Finley B, Taylor M

Year 3- Betsy H, Ethan M, Emilia

Gold Award:

Year 1- Leah R, Milo M

Year 3- Eric D, Myla

Year 4- Yasin S, Jasmine, Bradley, Muhammed-Abdull, Luke O, Zach

Year 5- Daniela G

Year 6- Alex A, Audrey F, Freddie W, Evangel J, Reuben M

Platinum Award:

Year 1- Henry L

Year 3- Lorianne E, William B, Amelie C, Jude B-N, Isaac J, Nika N

Year 4- Charlotte C, Weronica S, Maggie S

Year 5- Fliss R, Seb M

Year 6- Zak H, Shymon G, Natasha J, Salma A, Chendeng H, Harry J

Dates for your diary



Monday 18th March: Silly Science Workshop Yr 2 and Yr 5

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

Tuesday 19th March: Year 4 and 5 Production to parents 1pm (Babies and Toddlers welcome)

Year 4 and 5 production to parents 6pm

Wednesday 20th March: Year 4 and 5 Production to parents 6pm

Monday 25th March: Kingfishers and Robins London Day

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

Monday 15th April: INSET DAY

Tuesday 16th April: Term 3 begins

*date added in bold are new to the diary

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