



Eynsham Community Primary School
Newsletter - Thursday 28th March



Welcome

Dear Parents/Carers,

It feels incredible that we are now at the end of the second term and that the Easter holidays have arrived. It only seems five minutes ago that we had come back from Christmas! This term has been full of lots of exciting experiences and events. Most recently, we had the brilliant Year 4/5 production and once again the children showcased their brilliant acting and singing skills. A big thank you to all the adults who worked extremely hard in putting the production together and well done to the children for a superb performance! Please see below for a report of the production.

May Day Update:

I am pleased to inform you that our annual May Day Parade will be happening this year. Thank you to the Eynsham Morris men including Robin Saunders who are now able to do it. The event will be taking place on Thursday 2nd May at 10am. This year, we will be having a competition for the best dressed person in each year group and the best hat! Please note that some children in year 6 will be dressed in Morris costumes, this will be decided in the first week back. More information about this will be provided after Easter.

Staffing update:

I am pleased to inform you that we were successful in our teacher interviews last week. Mrs Katie Ledden-Fletcher who is an experienced teacher will be joining our teaching team in September 24. Also joining our teaching team will be Mrs Natasha Howell and Miss Lily Warrington. As mentioned previously, Mrs Maton and Miss Rayfield will be off on maternity leave at the end of this academic year, whilst Mrs Heason will be returning for 2 days a week. A full overview of staffing arrangements for September 24 will be communicated to you towards the end of June.

I hope that you all have a lovely Easter break, fingers crossed for some sunshine! I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 16th April.

Yours sincerely

Ginny Bayliss

Executive Headteacher

Kingfishers and Robins London Day

We went to LONDON



We started by coming into the train station to have our ticket stamped and take our seat on the train. The conductor then checked we were all aboard before starting our train journey to London. The snack trolley came through for us to enjoy on the train.

When we had arrived we collected our luggage and walked through London. When we arrived we has a carousel of different activities including; crown making, landmark building, afternoon tea with Paddington, flag making and boat making.

What a fantastic day, had by all!





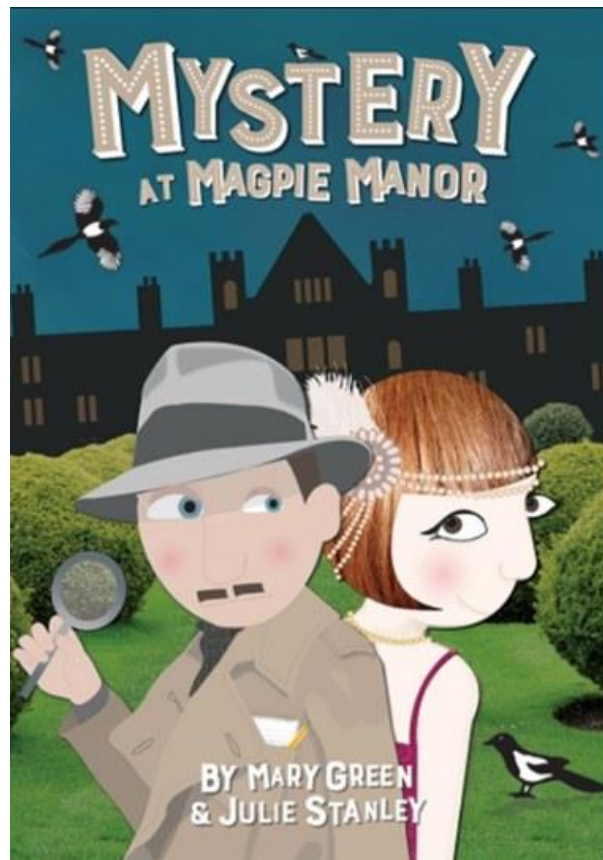




Year 4/5 production

This term, the Year 5s performed their production of *Mystery* at Magpie Manor with the Year 4s. They did such a fantastic job: learning their lines, perfecting their dances and singing their songs.

They've put in so much hard work over the last few weeks and we were very proud of them! Thank you for all your support in the audiences and in the run up to the performances with your help practising lines and sourcing costumes. Well done Year 5!



Parent Notices

Childcare Choices

Final weeks to apply for 15 or 30 hours childcare to start your place in April. Please click the link below for more information.

[Reminder to parents- get your code in time for April](#)

Snack reminder

It has come to our attention that some children are having unhealthy snacks at breaktime. This is just a polite reminder that children should be bringing in healthy snacks like fruit or vegetables. Some

children are also taking some of their items from their lunchbox to eat at breaktime, rather than waiting until lunchtime.

Children in Key Stage One are entitled to free fruit and vegetables from the government, where two options are provided for them each day.

Further information on what is considered healthy snacks for children can be found from the government website below.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-food-standards-resources-for-schools/school-food-standards-practical-guide>

Session Charges for Nursery Children September 2024

Here at Eynsham Community Primary, we are committed to providing your child with a quality Early Years' experience. To be able to continue to provide this it has become necessary that we increase our fees to cover our costs. With effect from September 2024, we will be increasing our Nursery fees to **£18 per session** (see session times below). This remains very good value for money and highly competitive compared to those around us.

We will still be accepting the Universal Government Funded 15 hours and the Government Funded 30 hours for those that are eligible. Please see the following page for more information about checking eligibility and how to apply.

Our session times are as follows:

Morning session 8.40am – 11.40am

Lunch Club 11.40 am – 12.10pm (£3 per day chargeable for children in Cygnets only)

Afternoon session 12.10pm – 3.10pm

A huge thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Ginny Bayliss

Executive Headteacher

Government Funded Hours- How to apply for free childcare

Your child is eligible for 15 hours of free childcare from the term after their third birthday. If your child is age three or four and you want to access **15 hours of free childcare**, you don't need to make an application as your childcare provider will do this for you automatically. You'll just need to show them a copy of your child's birth certificate, and you'll also have to sign a declaration form.

Talk to us to find out more!

If your child is three or four years old and you're eligible for **30 hours of free childcare**, you'll need to [fill out an application form online](#). If you're eligible, you'll get a childcare account and a code which you'll need to show us, along with your child's date of birth and your National Insurance number. You'll need to reconfirm your details every three months, or your code will expire.

Some **two year olds** are also eligible for 15 hours of free childcare and from April 2024 working parents of **two year olds** can also apply for 15 hours of free childcare. To make sure you receive your code, leave plenty of time to apply.

To check your eligibility, apply for [your free childcare or find the answers to any other questions](https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/), please visit: <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

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. Well done to **Flamingos** who had the highest attendance.

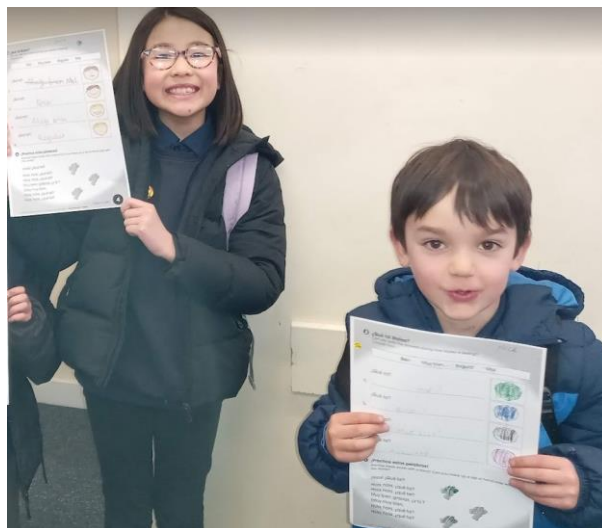
Year Group	Class	Attendance
Foundation	Kingfishers	94.09%
Foundation	Robins	84.45%
Year 1	Puffins	93.67%
Year 1	Penguins	93.66%
Year 2	Flamingos	98.98%
Year 2	Toucans	95.09%
Year 3	Hummingbirds	95.42%
Year 3	Nightingales	96.99%
Year 4	Jackdaws	97.07%
Year 4	Woodpeckers	97.19%
Year 5	Hawks	91.33%
Year 5	Red kites	84.71%
Year 6	Eagles	94.51%
Year 6	Kestrels	96.85%

Spanish Club update (Mondays after-school)



¡Hola! Spanish after-school club has been running since January and the students are enjoying the mix of songs, videos, stories and games. Favourite games are board swat and duck duck goose with Spanish vocabulary! We start the club each week with a snack and a song and we have enjoyed tasting Spanish food including tortilla and churros con chocolate. Spanish club is a great way to ignite a love of learning languages and widen cultural understanding. If you would like your child to join Spanish club,

please email: bethstephensonemail@gmail.com



Awards

Headteacher Award:

Year 1:- Louie M, George B

Year 2- Miri, To Sze Yu

Year 3- William B, Rachel A

Year 4- Sonia C, Jackdaws Class

Year 5- Red Kites Class, Hawks Class, Nia N

Year 6- Xavier W, Matilda C

Reading Award:

Year 1- Florence E

Year 3- Annika M, Susanna H

Year 5- Lexi G

Year 6- Natasha J

Writing Award:

Year 1- Bradley S, Orin M, Robyn P-B

Year 3- Jacob T, Betsy H, Lola W-P

Year 5- Christian M

Year 6- Chendeng H, Lizzy A, Jacob L

Maths Award:

Year 1- Henry I

Year 2- Peter, Alexa D

Year 3- Amelie C, Leo F

Year 5- Ruby B-F

Year 6- Salma A, Rohan S

Bronze Award:

Year 6 -

Foundation- Marnie A, Paul A

Silver Award:

Foundation- Xander V, Emmeline G, Julia S, Emil G, Ronnie C, Edward R, Nicky O, Casper R, Betsy A

Year 1- Diana T, Shankey L, Oliver R, Edie B, Lara E, Finley B

Year 3- Jacob T, Brandon B, Jaedon K

Gold Award:

Year 1- Antoni Z, Percy B-B, Afonso

Year 2- Elias, Lola G, Rosa, Miri, Peter, Georgie, Issy

Year 3- Ben L-R

Year 5- Nia

Year 6- Roman B, Amelia N

Platinum Award:

Year 1- Nathan M, James D

Year 3- Alex J, William B

Year 5- Aisha H

Year 6- Lizzy A, Barney H, Ollie A-K, Pola Z

Diamond Award:

Year 6- Samuel F

Dates for your diary

*dates in bold are new to the school calendar

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

Monday 15th April- INSET DAY

Tuesday 16th April- Term 3 begins

Tuesday 16th April- Catch up session- National Measuring Programme- Foundation and Yr 6

Thursday 18th April- Year 6 Transition Day 2

Tuesday 30th April- Farm2ewe visit Cygnets and Ducklings Class

Thursday 2nd May- Mayday Parade

Monday 6th May- May Bank Holiday

Thursday 9th May- Foundation visit Farmer Gows

Monday 13th May- KS2 SATS

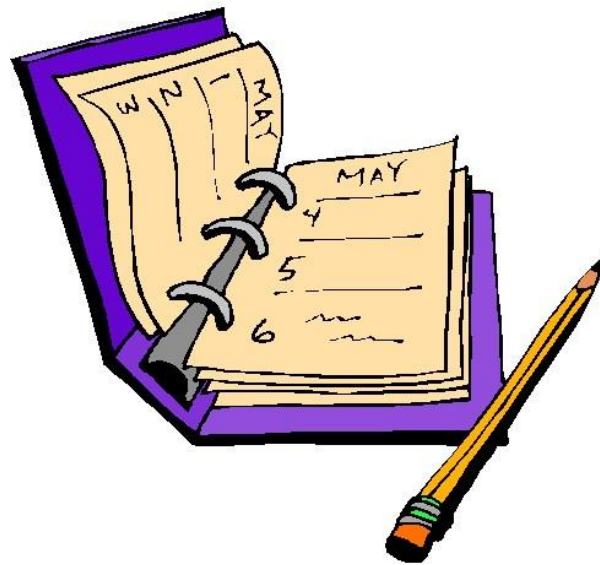
Monday 13th May- Cygnets Photos

Monday 20th May- School Photos- Foundation and Yr 6, stitched groups and portraits

Tuesday 21st May- School Photos Year 1-Year 5, traditional groups

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

Friday 24th May- Last Day of Term



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