



**Eynsham Community Primary School
Newsletter - Friday 18th July**

Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of another wonderful academic year, it is a time to reflect on all the incredible moments we've shared together as a school community. Today marks a particularly poignant day as we say a sad farewell to our Year 6 pupils who are leaving us to begin their exciting journey at secondary school.

Our Year 6 cohort has truly been exceptional, and they certainly went out with a bang! Their amazing end of year production was absolutely spectacular – please see photos from the show below. Our Year 6 have shown such growth, resilience, and character throughout their time with us, and we couldn't be prouder of each and every one of them. As they move on to their next adventure, we wish them all the very best and know they'll continue to shine brightly.

This year has given us so much to celebrate, from the wonderful trips and experiences that have enriched our pupils' learning, to the fantastic productions that have showcased their talents, and the memorable residential that have created lasting friendships and memories. Of course, we're also still celebrating our recent Ofsted inspection, which recognised the hard work and dedication of our entire school community.

We are particularly thrilled to share that we're celebrating another year of high achievement in attainment. Our KS2 SATs outcomes this year are our highest yet, which is a testament to the incredible hard work of our pupils, the dedication of our teaching staff, and the support you provide at home. Please do take a look at the breakdown of our results for statutory assessments below - we have every reason to be proud of what we've accomplished together.

As we close the doors on this academic year, we want to take a moment to thank each and every one of you for the support you give to our school. Whether it's helping with homework, volunteering for school events, or simply encouraging your children in their learning journey, your contribution makes such a difference to our school community.

Now it's time to enjoy a well-deserved summer break! We look forward to welcoming everyone back through the school gates on Tuesday 2nd September, ready for another exciting year ahead.

Have a lovely summer, everyone!

Yours sincerely

Mrs Ginny Bayliss and Mrs Nicola Edwards

Executive Headteacher and Head of School

End Of Year Data

We are delighted to share a summary of this year's headline data with you. The results reflect the incredible effort and dedication shown by both our staff and children throughout the year.

Everyone has worked extremely hard, and we couldn't be more proud of what has been achieved across the school. These outcomes are a testament to the positive attitudes, resilience, and commitment of our whole school community.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

EYFS	
Good Level of Development	85%

Year 1 Phonics	
Working at expected	86%

Year 4 Multiplication Check	
Mean Score	23/25

KS2		
Reading	Age related expectations	92%
	Greater Depth	61%
Writing	Age related expectations	95%
	Greater Depth	42%
Maths	Age related expectations	92%
	Greater Depth	58%
GPS	Age related expectations	95%
	Greater Depth	50%
Reading, writing and maths combined	Age related expectations	89%
	Greater Depth	34%

Aladdin

The Year 6 Performance of 'Aladdin Trouble' was exceptionally performed last week to two fantastic audiences and to the whole school community. We are immensely proud of each and every child who gave their all and were amazing with their acting, singing, and dancing.

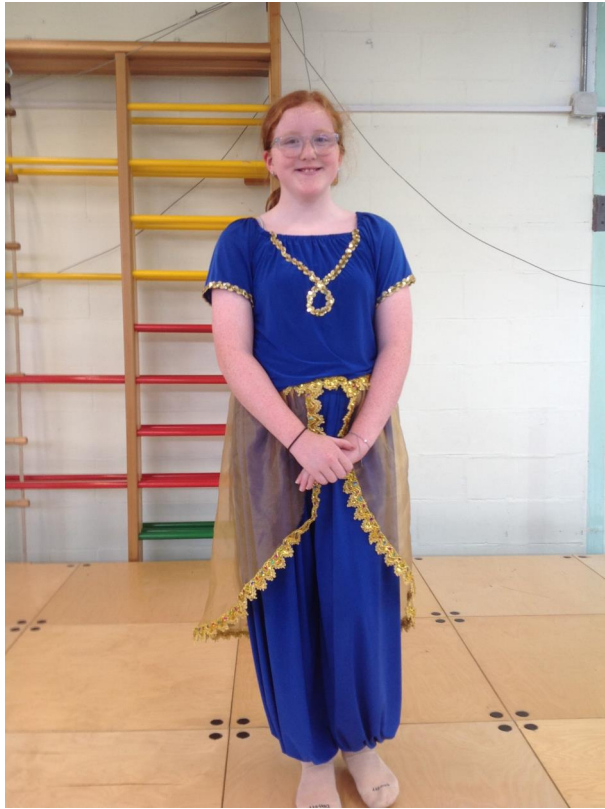
We would also like to dedicate a heartfelt thanks to parents and carers for providing such fantastic costumes and supporting us with props - we could not have done it without you. We raised over £100 in donations for future productions, which is extremely generous.

Such a wonderful year group, and we will be sad to see them leave.















Year 3 Design and Technology

In DT, our Year 3 pupils have been busy constructing castles. As part of their design brief, they were challenged to create a sturdy and strong castle that included a range of traditional features such as flags, towers, battlements, turrets, curtain walls, a moat, a drawbridge, and a gatehouse.

Using recyclable materials, the children carefully planned, designed, and built their castles before finishing them off with paint.

We were incredibly impressed by the creativity on display, each castle was unique, and it was clear that the children had put a great deal of thought and effort into including the key features of a castle.







Year 1 Science

This week, Year 1 made a splash in science as they explored the fascinating concept of *buoyancy* as part of our topic on 'Forces'. Throughout the term, the children have been learning all about how different forces — like pushes and pulls — affect how objects move.

In this exciting lesson, we investigated which materials might have the best buoyancy and whether waterproof materials would float more effectively. Working in small teams, the children took on the challenge of designing and building their own boats using a variety of materials.

Once built, it was time to put our boats to the test! We placed them in water and added weights to see which designs could stay afloat the longest. There were cheers, surprises, and lots of critical thinking as we compared results and discussed why some boats performed better than others.

The children finished the lesson by explaining their thinking and exploring how different forces may have affected their results — a brilliant combination of creativity, teamwork and scientific investigation!





Ducklings Fun Week

To celebrate the last week of term, Ducklings have enjoyed doing lots of different fun activities each day.

Monday, we had a bug and messy play day. We met Charlotte the tarantula. Tuesday was bike and scooter day, and we got to ride them around the school playground. Wednesday was bubble day. Thursday we had a party day. What a great way to finish a wonderful year in Ducklings. We wish them all the best on their new journey moving up into Reception.









Fun In Kingfishers and Robins

We have had a great time taking part in our fun activities week.

Starting on Monday with a bug exploring day - we had a visit from Charlotte the tarantula! We enjoyed riding our bikes and scooters in the playground and exploring how a bike works.

Wednesday was a bubble-filled day with ice and water giving us a welcome break from the warm sunshine and then a party themed day on Thursday saw us dancing and playing traditional games in the hall. This was finished off with a picnic lunch to celebrate the end of term.

Thank you to all those who helped and supported us with this amazing week of sunshine and smiles.

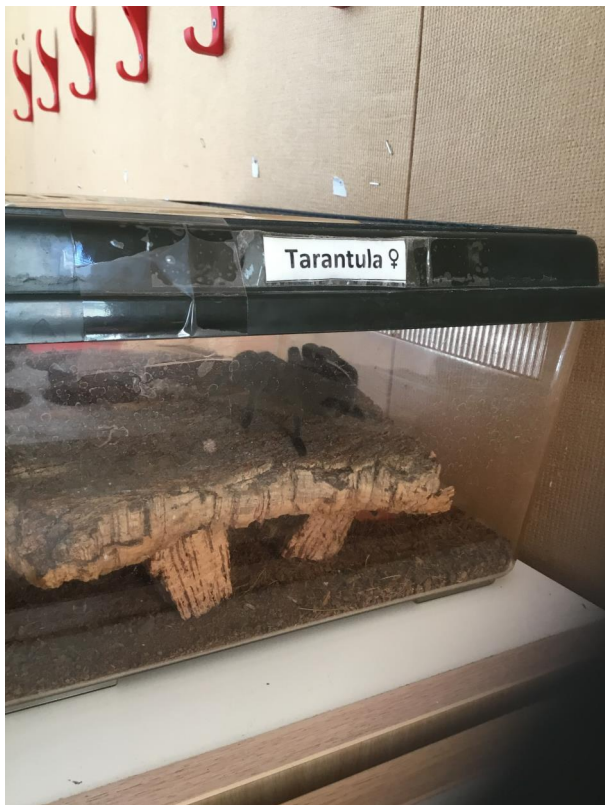


















Safeguarding

As we approach the end of term, we often assume that everyone is looking forward to the summer holidays. While many families are excited, we also recognise that six weeks off can feel daunting for some. The long break can be tricky to navigate, so we've put together a few helpful tips to help keep your child on track over the summer:

1. Diet and Routine

It's tempting to relax routines during the holidays, but maintaining consistent expectations—especially around bedtime and mealtimes—can help children feel secure and well-rested. A stable routine sets them up for a smoother return to school in September.

2. Physical Well-being

Summer is a great time to recharge. Encouraging regular time away from screens and getting outdoors for exercise not only supports physical health but also boosts mood and self-esteem.

3. Emotional Well-being

Help your child stay connected with friends over the summer. Supporting their social interactions can make a big difference in maintaining their emotional well-being.

We hope these tips are useful in helping your family enjoy a healthy, happy, and balanced summer break.

Safeguarding Reminder

As we enter the summer holidays, we want to remind all parents and carers of the importance of safeguarding our children and young people. If you are ever concerned about the welfare of a child, it is your duty to report it. You can contact the **Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH)** for advice or to raise a concern.

MASH Contact Number: 0345 050 7666

The safety and well-being of children is everyone's responsibility. Thank you for helping to keep our community safe.



Message From The Governors

The Governors met last week for our final meeting of the year with much to celebrate. We are so proud of the progress the school has made over the last 6 years since the last inspection. It was wonderful to hear and read such excellent feedback from the recent report, as it validates everything we know about our fantastic school. We also discussed the excellent set of SATs results, Year 2 Phonics, and the Year 4 Times-table results, which have all recently been published. There is so much to celebrate and be proud of this term.

Whilst it was positive to hear that Ofsted could find not one single area to improve, the staff at Eynsham are not complacent and are always looking to further develop and improve their practice to ensure all children at Eynsham achieve their potential. For this reason, we spent time at our final meeting of the year reviewing the School's Development Plan from this year and looking forward to next academic year and the new draft School Development Plan. As part of the review, we were given a presentation on how each subject is assessed and how the school ensures pupils make good progress. We are really impressed with the school's rigorous assessment systems and are assured that the teachers know their pupils well.

We also spent time reviewing our Governor Action Plan to ensure that we, as governors, have met our statutory obligations and monitored the School's progress towards the priorities set out in the School Development Plan. We are incredibly proud of the staff and students at Eynsham Community Primary School, and we are extremely pleased that we end this academic year on such a high.

We would like to wish all of our ECPS family a wonderful summer.

Parent Notices

[Child Pedestrian Safety Advice](#)

The summer holidays will be the ideal time for parents and carers to use OCC's **Footsteps** Child Pedestrian Safety Programme, to help children begin to learn the skills and decision-making needed to become safer pedestrians.

Please click the link below for the full guide and more information.

[Footsteps](#)

Footsteps

|| CHILD PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ||
A PRACTICAL GUIDE

Follow **Footsteps** and help your child become a safer and more confident pedestrian.

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Dates for your Diary

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Autumn Term Menu

New dishes for 2025

CHOICE AUTUMN

- Mega Monday**
- Tasty Tuesday**
- Roast Wednesday**
- Try It Thursday**
- Fishy Friday**

WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3
<p>WEEK 1 Weeks starting: 1st Sept, 22nd Sept, 13th Oct, 3rd Nov, 24th Nov, 15th Dec</p> <p>Mega Monday Mangrove Prawn & Quail Olive Oil Prawn & Vegetable Curry Jerked Chicken & Mango (V) (VG) Soft Pot with choice of Range (V) (VG) Duck Homestyle, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit, Yogurt</p> <p>Tasty Tuesday Zesty Chicken Noodle & Tomato Basil Sauce Sweet Potato & Tomato Basil Sauce (V) Jerked Chicken & Mango (V) (VG) Soft Pot with choice of Range (V) (VG) Duck Homestyle, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit, Yogurt</p> <p>Roast Wednesday Roast Chicken (GF) Baked Potato (GF) Jerked Chicken & Mango (V) (VG) Soft Pot with choice of Range (V) (VG) Duck Homestyle, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit, Yogurt</p> <p>Try It Thursday Mangrove Prawn & Vegetable Pie Tomato & Herb Risotto (V) Jerked Chicken & Mango (V) (VG) Soft Pot with choice of Range (V) (VG) Duck Homestyle, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit, Yogurt</p> <p>Fishy Friday Mangrove Prawn & Quail Olive Oil Jerked Chicken & Mango (V) (VG) Soft Pot with choice of Range (V) (VG) Duck Homestyle, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit, Yogurt</p>	<p>WEEK 2 Weeks starting: 8th Sept, 29th Sept, 20th Oct, 10th Nov, 1st Dec</p> <p>Mega Monday Mangrove Prawn & Vegetable Curry Jerked Chicken & Mango (V) (VG) Soft Pot with choice of Range (V) (VG) Duck Homestyle, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit, Yogurt</p> <p>Tasty Tuesday Milk Fed Chicken with Tomato & Spiced Rice Jerked Chicken & Mango (V) (VG) Soft Pot with choice of Range (V) (VG) Duck Homestyle, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit, Yogurt</p> <p>Roast Wednesday Roast Chicken (GF) Baked Potato (GF) Jerked Chicken & Mango (V) (VG) Soft Pot with choice of Range (V) (VG) Duck Homestyle, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit, Yogurt</p> <p>Try It Thursday Mangrove Prawn & Vegetable Pie Tomato & Herb Risotto (V) Jerked Chicken & Mango (V) (VG) Soft Pot with choice of Range (V) (VG) Duck Homestyle, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit, Yogurt</p> <p>Fishy Friday Mangrove Prawn & Quail Olive Oil Jerked Chicken & Mango (V) (VG) Soft Pot with choice of Range (V) (VG) Duck Homestyle, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit, Yogurt</p>	<p>WEEK 3 Weeks starting: 15th Sept, 6th Oct, 27th Oct, 17th Nov, 8th Dec</p> <p>Mega Monday Mangrove Prawn & Vegetable Curry Jerked Chicken & Mango (V) (VG) Soft Pot with choice of Range (V) (VG) Duck Homestyle, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit, Yogurt</p> <p>Tasty Tuesday Milk Fed Chicken with Tomato & Spiced Rice Jerked Chicken & Mango (V) (VG) Soft Pot with choice of Range (V) (VG) Duck Homestyle, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit, Yogurt</p> <p>Roast Wednesday Roast Chicken (GF) Baked Potato (GF) Jerked Chicken & Mango (V) (VG) Soft Pot with choice of Range (V) (VG) Duck Homestyle, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit, Yogurt</p> <p>Try It Thursday Mangrove Prawn & Vegetable Pie Tomato & Herb Risotto (V) Jerked Chicken & Mango (V) (VG) Soft Pot with choice of Range (V) (VG) Duck Homestyle, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit, Yogurt</p> <p>Fishy Friday Mangrove Prawn & Quail Olive Oil Jerked Chicken & Mango (V) (VG) Soft Pot with choice of Range (V) (VG) Duck Homestyle, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit, Yogurt</p>

Awards



Headteacher Award:

Year 6 - Lucius and Alfie

Year 5- Polly, Eddie, Alyosha, Charlotte

Year 4- Holly, Stefan

Year 3- Zakariyaa, Scarlett, Beau

Year 2- Poppy, Anabelle, Mrs K!

Reading Award:

Year 6 - Lin, Oscar

Year 5- James

Year 4- Jaedon, Ethan, Amelie, Susanna, Maya

Year 3- Xian

Writing Award:

Year 6 - Samuel, Rosa

Year 5- Iness

Year 4- Will, Harrison, Maya

Year 2- All of Flamingos

Maths Award:

Year 6 - Belle, Elvin

Year 4- Eric,

Year 3- Heidi

Well Done Award:

Year 5- Joe

Year 4- Alex

Bronze Award:

Year 2- Sienna

Platinum Award:

Year 5- Khrystyna

Year 4- Jase

Year 2- Tayah

Diamond Award:

Year 5- Beau

Year 4- Alex, Hazel, Antonia, Lily, Stefan

Year 3- Aston

Year 2- Lewis, George

Sapphire Award:

Year 5- Delilah

Year 3- Heidi

Year 2- Casper, Diana

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