



Eynsham Community Primary School

Newsletter - Friday 10th January

Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the start of the New Year, albeit a chilly one! As we step into 2025, we are filled with excitement, new opportunities, and enthusiasm for the wonderful learning and growth that lies ahead. We hope you had a restful break and are ready for an action-packed and fulfilling term.

What's Coming Up:

At the bottom of the newsletter are the dates for your diary, with events that are taking place during this Spring term. This includes the following:

- *Year 3 and 4 Dance Festival at Bartholomew School (Wednesday 15th January)*
 - *International Day (Wednesday 29th January)*
- *NCMP (Heights and Weights) Year 6 and Reception (Monday 27th January)*
 - *PTA Valentine Disco (Friday 7th February)*
- *Parent-teacher meetings (Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th February)*
 - *World Book Day (Thursday 6th March)*
- *KS1 and KS2 Stay and Learn RE Morning (Thursday 13th March @9am)*

- *Year 4/5 Productions (Tuesday 1st April)*
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We will continue with the weekly briefing which provides a reminder of events for the following week.

- *School Clubs and Activities: We are thrilled to offer a variety of after-school clubs for pupils this term. Clubs will be starting the week commencing 20th January, so don't miss out on these fun opportunities to explore new interests!*
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I hope you have a lovely weekend.

With best wishes,

Ginny Bayliss

Executive Headteacher

Meet the new members.

We're excited to welcome a few new staff members to our school family:

- Ms Kayleigh Thompson has joined the Year 3 team as a Teaching Assistant
- Miss Charile Laizons has joined the Early Years team in Kingfishers and Robins
- Viviana Gonzalez has joined the Cygnets team.

They have already settled in extremely well and are getting to know the children that they are working with.



1 - Miss Charile Laizons



2 - Miss Kayleigh Thompson



3 - Mrs Viviana Gonzalez

Reception Place Applications

The application process is now open for you to request your child school place, please click on the link below to apply for a place for your child in Reception from September, 2025, the deadline is **15th January 2025 (this coming Wednesday)**

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/apply-school-place/reception-applications/make-application#:~:text=You%20should%20apply%20for%20infant,the%202025%2F26%20academic%20year.>

Important Reminders

School Uniform

As always, we remind everyone to ensure that students come dressed in the proper school uniform. Please check that all items are clearly labeled with your child's name. No jewellery is allowed in school, stud earrings are allowed but not hooped. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

Lunch boxes and snacks



As part of our commitment to promoting healthy eating habits among our students, we kindly remind you to encourage your children to have healthy snacks, such as a piece of fruit, to enjoy during break times. Additionally, when preparing their lunchboxes, please include a variety of nutritious choices to support their well-being.

We would also like to remind you that our school is a nut-free environment. Therefore, we kindly ask that you ensure your children do not bring any items containing nuts to school to prevent any potential allergic reactions.

Absences and late arrivals

We would like to remind you of the procedure for reporting absences and late arrivals.

If your child is absent, you must notify the office by calling the school number, 01865 881924 or sending an email to the office email address, office.2209@eynsham.oxon.sch.uk. You can

also report your child as absent via ParentMail. If the school is not provided with a reason, **the absence will go down as unauthorised**. Please provide a reason for each day of absence.

Registration starts at 8:40am and closes at 8:50am. If your child arrives at school after this time, please report to the school office to sign them in. We would like to stress how important it is to do this due to health and safety reasons.

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.

5 minutes late per day is equivalent to missing 3.4 school days a year.

10 minutes late per day is equivalent to missing 6.9 school days a year.

15 minutes late per day is equivalent to missing 10.3 school days a year.

20 minutes late per day is equivalent to missing 13.8 school days a year.

30 minutes late per day is equivalent to missing 20.7 school days a year.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2024/2025

Monday 6 th January:	INSET Day 3
Tuesday 7 th January:	Term 2 (1 st half) begins
Wednesday 15th January:	Year 3 and 4 Dance Festival at Bartholomew School
Monday 27th January:	NCMP (Heights and Weights) – Year 6 and Reception
Wednesday 29 th January:	International Day
Friday 7th February:	PTA Valentine’s Disco
Friday 24 th February:	End of half term
Monday 19 th February:	Term 2 (2 nd half) begins
Tuesday 25 th February:	KS1 & KS2 Parents Evening: 3:30 – 6:30pm
Wednesday 26 th February:	KS1 & KS2 Parents Evening: 3:30 – 6:30pm
Wednesday 5 th March:	NHM-Tring, Year 2
Thursday 6 th March:	World Book Day
Thursday 13 th March:	KS1 & KS2 Parents Stay and Learn Afternoon 9am (RE)
Friday 14 th March:	Red Nose Day
Wednesday 19 th March:	Singing Squad trip to Wembley
Tuesday 25th March:	Vision Screening – Reception
Tuesday 25th March:	Year 4 trip to the British Museum, London
Thursday 27 th March	Cotswold Wildlife Trip- Year 1
Monday 31 st March:	Year 4/5 Production to school: 1pm
Tuesday 1 st April:	Year 4/5 Production to parents: 1pm (Babies and toddlers welcome)
Tuesday 1 st April:	Year 4/5 Production to Parents: 6pm
Tuesday 1st April:	Westminster Abbey Trip- Year 6
Thursday 3rd April:	PTA Break the Rules Day
Friday 4 th April:	End of Term (Finish at 1:15pm)
Tuesday 22 nd April:	Term 3 (1 st half) begins
Wednesday 23 rd April:	Year 4 trip to Tusmore Farm
Thursday 24 th April:	Year 6 Transition Day at Bartholomew
Thursday 1 st May	Mayday parade
Monday 5 th May:	May Bank Holiday
Tuesday 6 th May:	Foundation trip to Sutton Courtenay Environmental Centre
Monday 12th May:	Cygnets and Ducklings group and individual photos
Monday 12 th 15 th May:	KS2 SATs Week
Thursday 15 th May:	Westgate Shopping Centre, Oxford, Year 5
Monday 19th May:	Foundation stage group and individual photos, Year 6 group and yearbook photos
Tuesday 20th May:	Year 1-5 class photos
Friday 23 rd May:	PTA Summer Fete with Dance performances: 2:00pm
Friday 23 rd May:	Last day of half term
Monday 2 nd June:	Term 3 (2 nd half) begins
Thursday 5 th June:	Sulgrave Manor- Year 6

Friday 20 th June:	Bournemouth Beach- Year 1
Thursday 26 th June:	Year 6 Transition Day at Bartholomew
Thursday 26 th June:	Meet the new teacher day
Friday 27 th June:	Year 6 Transition Day at Bartholomew
Wednesday 2 th July:	EYFS Sports Afternoon
Thursday 3 rd July:	Sports Day
Friday 4 th July:	Back up sports day in case of bad weather
Friday 11 th July:	Reports out
Wednesday 9 th July:	Year 6 Production to the school: 1.30pm
Thursday 10 th July	Year 6 Production to parents: 1:30pm (Babies and toddlers welcome)
Thursday 10 th July:	Year 6 Production to parents/carers: 6pm
Thursday 17 th July:	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly to parents/carers 1:15pm
Friday 18 rd July:	End of Term (Finish at 1:15pm)

Awards



Headteacher Award:

Year 6 - Hannah, Aggie

Year 4- Kylie, Emi

Year 3- Bleu, Tino

Year 2- Tashvi, Willow

Year 1- Lottie, Hunter

Reading Award:

Year 6 - Erin, Ada

Year 4- Amirah Jacob

Year 3- To Sze, Skyla

Year 1- Elsie

Writing Award:

Year 6 - Dory

Year 3- Emma

Maths Award:

Year 6 - Owen, Holly

Year 4- Isaac

Year 3- Wilfred, George

Year 2- Antoni

Year 1- Maxim

Well done Award:

Year 2- Leah, Shankey

Bronze Award:

Year 6 - Freya

Silver Award:

Year 1- Nate, Angel, Anna

Gold Award:

Year 6- Max, Tilly, Nia, Hannah

Year 4- Millie, Amelie

Year 3- Aston, Lillie-Rose, Albert, Lola, Peace

Year 2- Antoni, Lansa, Drew, Eleanor, Leah, Louie, Leo, Milo, Sapphire, Toby, Rosie

Year 1- Edward, Amelia, Ned

Platinum Award:

Year 3- Henry

Year 2- Casper, Henry, Iris, James, Nick

Year 1- Zelda

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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