



Eynsham Community Primary School  
Newsletter - Friday 7th February

Welcome

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*Dear Parents and Carers,*

*With one week left until half term, we have lots to celebrate as we approach the break!*

*Our Nursery children had a fantastic time visiting the fire station! They learned about fire safety, met real firefighters, and even got to see the fire engines up close. A big thank you to everyone who helped make this trip possible!*

*A huge thank you to our amazing PTA for organising the Valentine's Disco! I hope all the children have a wonderful time. I appreciate all the effort that goes into making these events for our children. A big thank you to all the staff who are giving up their Friday evening to help supervise the event.*

*Bookings for our Parents' Information Evenings will be live on ParentMail from 5pm. This is a great opportunity to discuss your child's progress with their teacher. Meetings will be taking place after half term on Tuesday 25th February and Wednesday 26th February.*

*We are excited to welcome prospective families to our Nursery Open Morning on Thursday 13th February at 9am. If you know anyone interested in joining our wonderful Nursery, please spread the word! We have places for children who are 2-4.*

*Wishing everyone a lovely weekend and a fantastic final week before half term!*

*Best regards,*

*Ginny Bayliss*

*Executive Headteacher*

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## **Fire Fire!**

We had an exciting visit to Eynsham fire station this week. The firefighters spoke to us about what to do if the smoke alarm goes off in our homes. First we wake up our parents, grab a phone if there's one near by. We then have to get out, stay out, ring 999 and ask for the fire

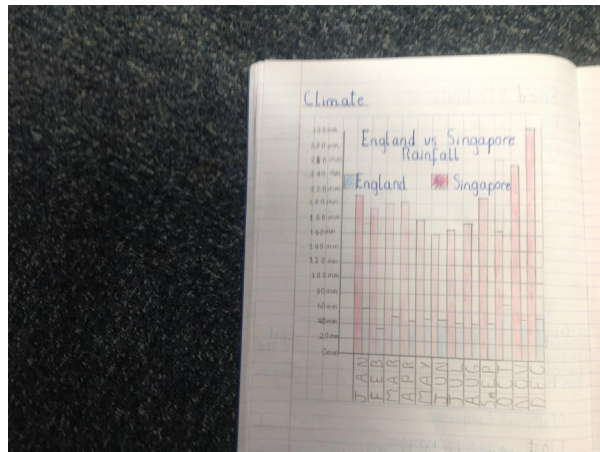
brigade. We were shown a firefighters uniform and what they wear to protect themselves. They showed us all the different equipment that they use such as hoses, cutters, and ladders. We all got to become firefighters by squirting the hose! This was so much fun! We even got to hear the sirens and see the flashing blue lights.





## International Day

Last week, our students had the incredible opportunity to immerse themselves in the language, food, and culture of Mandarin-speaking countries. Throughout the day, they engaged in activities such as learning Mandarin phrases, traditional tales, and even had the chance to taste some authentic foods. It was a joy to witness the children embracing these new experiences and broadening their understanding of different cultures.



Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2025

HP x2

**Landmarks**  
 The Merlion is Singapore's mascot.  
 Raffles Hotel  
 Gardens at the Bay  
 Singapore Botanic Garden

**Population**  
 Singapore is a tiny island about the size of London, just off the coast of Malaysia. Throughout history, it has been ruled by Britain and Malaysia, but gained its independence in 1965 and has been run by a

**Design**  
 Singapore city is very modern and full of historic architecture. They use clever tricks to shield the city from rain, make the most of their space, and stay eco-friendly.

**National Flag**

**Food & Festivals**  
 Pongol is a joyous festival where people celebrate by parting, drinking, rapping, games, parting, and giving presents and eating a dish of sweet rice.

**National Flower**  
 A orchid called the Vanda Miss Joaquim.

**National Languages**  
 Most people in Singapore speak English, Mandarin, Malay, and some also speak Hokkien, Teochew, Cantonese, and other Chinese dialects.

**National Currency**  
 Dollars.





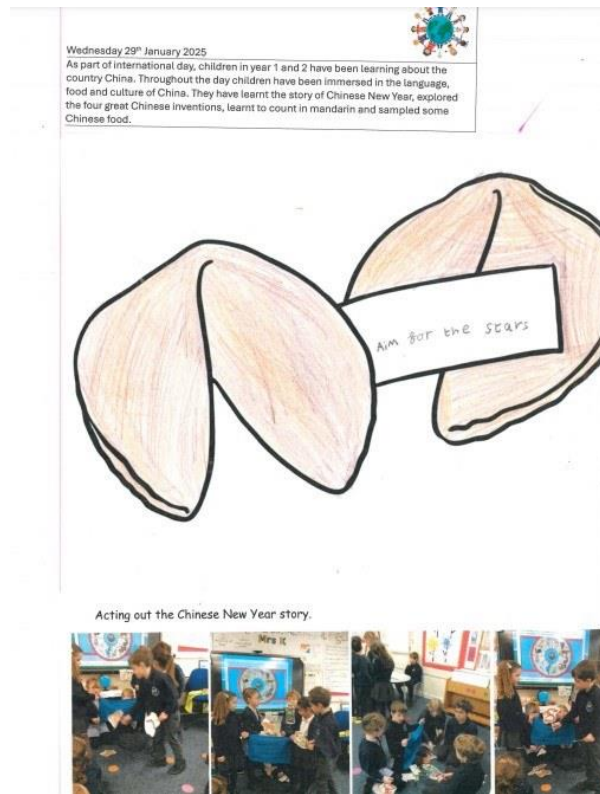
Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2023  
 As part of International Day, children in year 1 and 2 have been learning about the country China. Throughout the day children have been immersed in the language, food and culture of China. They have learnt to sing in Chinese and also danced some Chinese songs.



Activity for the Chinese New Year story



We learned how to use chopsticks and ate fortune cookies.



## Year 4 French Partnership School - First Letter Exchange

We are very excited to remind you that our year 4 team have begun an exciting journey with their new pen-pals in France. With the help of our lovely parent, Anna Parrinder, we have made a link with the staff in year 4/5 at Ecole Élémentaire Condorcet (Primary School), which is situated in Aubervilliers, around 10 minutes from the capital of Paris in the North East. If you would like to know more about our partnership school, please see their school website below:

Here are the images of the class reading our letters and enjoying the chocolate treats we had sent them. As you can see, the pupils in France are thoroughly enjoying our new partnership. We are looking forward to continuing to exchange letters and complete various activities together, learning more about our new friends in France and comparing our school life in Eynsham.



## Year 5 News

As part of their International Day focus on Singapore, Year 5 explored the country's native plants and used them as inspiration for their artwork. After researching a variety of plants, the children sketched their designs onto polystyrene tiles before using ink to create bold prints. By experimenting with different colours and positions, they produced amazing printed artwork that reflected the beauty of Singapore's natural world. We all had great fun rolling the ink onto the tiles and trying not to get too messy!







## 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 will have an impact on children's attendance. However, good attendance means children are able to make progress with their learning. Well done to Flamingos class who has the highest attendance so far this term.

## Early Years Open Morning



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# Early Years

**SPACES AVAILABLE For 2024-2025**  
Intake for January, April & September  
2-4 year olds

- 2-year-old funded and fee-paying places available.
- 3&4-year-old funded places available.
- Morning, afternoon and all-day sessions available.

**Open Morning**  
13<sup>th</sup> February 2025  
22<sup>nd</sup> May 2025  
12<sup>th</sup> June 2025

Please arrive for 9:00am.  
Meet our Early Years team and visit the setting.

Contact the main school office for more information  
01865 881294  
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## Awards

### Headteacher Award:

Year 6 - Tilly-May, Teagan, Christian,

Year 5- Bethany, Rosse, Lizzie, Sonia

Year 4- Lola, Eleanor, Arthur, Timea

Year 3- Georgie, Harvey, Rosa, Scarlett

Year 2- Antoni, Shankey, Eleanor, Imogen

Year 1- Mason, Edward, Jacob

### Reading Award:

Year 6 - Kitson, Felicia, Jack, Erin, Daniela, A'isha

Year 5- Luke,

Year 4- Millie, Phoebe, Annika

Year 3- Sam, Xian

Year 2- Rosie, Eva

Year 1- Julia, Darcey

**Writing Award:**

Year 6 - Frankie

Year 5- Allace,

Year 4- Alex, Ben, Leo, Eleanor

Year 3-Issy

Year 2- Henry, Iris, Lyra, Willow, Bradley

Year 1- Paul, Dylan

**Maths Award:**

Year 6 - Hannah, Ruby, Freya, Dory, Ellis, Emma, Flo

Year 5- Tshiamo, Bradley,

Year 4- Kylie, India, Antonia, Timea, Lola, Ethan

Year 3- Albert, Peace, Heidi

Year 2- Leo, Diana, James, Lansa

Year 1- Angelina, Nicky, Mason

**Bronze Award:**

Year 2- Tayah

**Silver Award:**

Year 5- Tshiamo

**Gold Award:**

Year 6- Isabella, Eddie, Seb

Year 5- Summer, Weronika, Danny, Aranya, Bradley,

Year 4- Hazel, Lorianne, Nika, Betsy, Oliver, Lilly, Lola

Year 3- Zakariyaa, Amna, Peter, Eva

Year 2-

Year 1- Paul, Lottie, Elsie, Dylan

### **Platinum Award:**

Year 6- Ellis

Year 5- Ella, Cianna

Year 3- Artie, Nancy, George, Bleu, Gabriel, Georgie, Rosa, Mav

Year 2- Bradley, Drew, Eleanor, Leah, Louie, Milo, Sapphire

### **Diamond Award:**

Year 6- Erin

Year 3- Heidi

### **Superstar Sports Award:**

Year 4- Lorianne

Year 2- Ayah, Jack

## **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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