



# Eynsham Community Primary School Newsletter - Friday 6th September

Welcome

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*Dear Parents/Carers*

*Welcome back to the new academic year! I hope you have all had a lovely summer holiday, which may now seem a far distant memory, especially with the sudden change of weather!*

*We have had an excellent first week back, children have come back settled, calm and ready to learn. Our new children in Foundation Stage have also been amazing and have quickly adapted to their new routines and classrooms.*

*We have also welcomed three new members of staff to our school. This includes Mrs Bowler, who is our new Upper KS2 Phase lead and is teaching Eagles this year, Mrs Ledden Fletcher who is teaching Toucans and also Mrs Lee who is joining our Teaching Assistant Team.*

*Over the summer, our Early Years outdoor environment has been having a bit of a makeover! We have redesigned all the areas and the Early Years Team have been working extremely hard to get this up and running. Over the next few weeks, we will be putting out pleas for resources and would be so grateful if you can help. Thank you to Miss Collis for the donation of the wooden bench for our Early Years calm area. Mrs Vincent (School Admin Officer) has also requested any Lego, cars or small word items for lunchtimes.*

*Before the summer holidays, Mr Williams invited parents/carers to join a lunchtime working party. Those who signed up to join, will be receiving an invite to attend the first meeting. The aim of this, is to a gain a collective voice to look at how we can ensure lunchtimes are even better than they already are. This will include more lunchtime clubs, activities and pupil leadership roles. Further information about this, will be communicated with you over the next few weeks.*

**Parent Information Afternoons:** *You will have received information about the forthcoming parent information afternoons. This will be an opportunity for you to meet the staff that are working with your children and gain an overview of what you can expect for this forthcoming year. We appreciate that not everybody can attend meetings during the school day, so we will ensure these sessions are recorded and are put on class pages. You will also be able to see your child's timetable and medium plans on these pages which tell you what your child is learning this term.*

**Year 4 Hill End Residential:** *A big thank you to all the Year 4 parents who attended the information meeting yesterday. Year 4 will be departing for Hill End on Wednesday 25th September. At Eynsham, children have the opportunity to experience three residential trips during their time at the school. This includes one night away at Hill End in Year 4, two nights at Youlbury in Year 5 and a week at Woodlands in Year 6. We believe this helps with team building, self-esteem and building positive relationships.*

**PTA:** *Before the summer holidays I met with Anya Aspinall, Katie Crowe and Mrs Merry about PTA events for 2024-2025. These can be found in bold on the dates for the year at the bottom of this newsletter.*

**Year 3 and Year 5 music lessons:** *Next week, children in Year 3 and 5 will begin their weekly music lessons with the Oxfordshire County Music Service. Thank you to all those parents who have paid the donation towards these lessons which is used to pay for the loan of the instrument. A big thank you to the PTA who also pay towards the cost of these extremely valuable lessons. Children in year 3 will be learning the violin each week and children in year 5 will be learning a brass instrument. Children will be bringing these instruments home in due course.*

***Polite Reminders:***

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- Please can you ensure children including younger children do not ride their scooters or bikes into the school grounds.*
  - Children should not be wearing any jewellery to school, with the exception of stud earrings.*
  - Please can you ensure that all uniform is labelled, this will help staff and children locate lost items to the rightful owners.*
  - We are a nut free school, please do not send any items containing nuts in children's lunchboxes.*
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*I hope that you all have a lovely weekend, I am sure the children will be very tired after a very busy first week back.*

*Yours sincerely*

*Ginny Bayliss*

*Executive Headteacher*

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## Safeguarding

This week during our INSET day, all staff took part in Safeguarding training. Staff were updated on Keeping Children Safe in Education and the Child Protection Policy. Staff also updated their training on how to log safeguarding concerns raised.

Within school, Safeguarding concerns will be dealt with by Designated Safeguarding leads. The Designated safeguarding Lead at Eynsham is Mrs Edwards, she is supported by a team of Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads.



Mrs Edwards  
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Bayliss



Miss Davis



Mr Clack



Mr Williams





Mrs Neath



Miss Morgan

Mrs Podbery



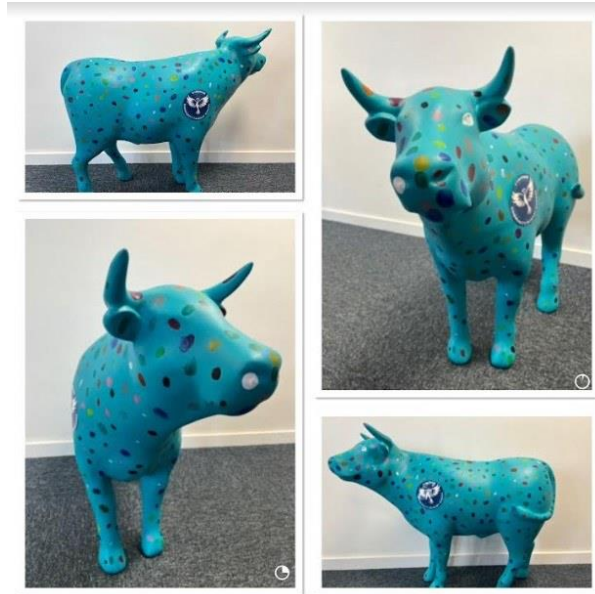
If you are concerned about the welfare of a child, it is your duty to report this to the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH). The team can be reached on 0345 050 7666.

## Ox Trail

The Ox Trail has sadly come to an end. We hope some of you managed to get into Oxford and take part in the trail.

They raised an incredible **£94,964.44!!** Thank you to all for your donations.

Oximus Prime now resides in school. Keep your eyes peeled!



## 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 of missing **3.4 school days** a year.

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

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

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

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

# School Dinner Menu

	<b>WEEK 1</b> Weeks starting 26th Aug, 16th Sep, 7th Oct 28th Oct, 18th Nov, 9th Dec	<b>WEEK 2</b> Weeks starting 2nd Sep, 22nd Sep, 14th Oct 4th Nov, 25th Nov, 6th Dec	<b>WEEK 3</b> Weeks starting 9th Sep, 29th Sep
<b>NEW DISHES FOR 2024</b>  <b>Mega Mondays</b>  <b>School Favourites</b>  <b>Roast Wednesdays</b>  <b>Tasty Thursdays</b>  <b>Fishy Fridays</b>	Hand Stretched Doughnuts or Pasticcini Pizza (V) @ Spaghetti & Meatballs (V) (S) @ Jacket Potatoes & Filling (V) (S) Sandwich with a Choice of Filling Fruit Daily, Salad, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt Dishes Homemade, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt @ Chicken Battered Scampi (V) @ Roast Vegetables, Cauliflower (V) Jacket Potatoes & Filling (Including hot options) (S) Sandwich with a Choice of Filling @ Meatballs in Sauce (V) (S) @ Chicken Wings (V) (S) @ Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Cauliflower, Sweetcorn (V) @ Chicken Gravy (V) Dishes Homemade, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt @ Homemade Beef Burgers (V) @ Chicken & Potato Fry (V) @ Jacket Potatoes & Filling (V) (S) @ Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Cauliflower, Sweetcorn (V) @ Chicken Gravy (V) Dishes Homemade, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt @ Breaded Fish Fingers (V) @ Crispy Crumbed Vegetables (V) (S) @ Jacket Potatoes & Filling (V) (S) @ Sandwich with a Choice of Filling @ Chicken, Rice, Seasonal Vegetables, Sweetcorn (V) @ Fish of the Week (Prawn, Salmon, Chicken) (V) Dishes Homemade, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt	Hand Stretched Doughnuts or Pasticcini Pizza (V) @ Pasticcini Pizza (V) (S) @ Jacket Potatoes & Filling (Including hot options) (S) @ Bolognese with a Choice of Filling @ Fried Onions, Cauliflower, Sweetcorn (V) @ Fried Onions, Sweetcorn (V) @ Lemon & Caperon Drizzle Cake (V) Dishes Homemade, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt @ Handmade Anzacbites (V) (S) @ Potato & Onion Soup (V) @ Jacket Potatoes & Filling (V) (S) @ Meat Hot Sandwich Chicken & Tomato Heat (V) @ Fruit, Cheese @ Chicken Springs & Custard (V) Dishes Homemade, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt @ Slow Roast Pork or Chicken (V) @ Roast Beef, Bean Sprouts (V) (S) @ Jacket Potatoes & Filling (Including hot options) (S) @ Bolognese with a Choice of Filling @ Roast Hot Potatoes, Carrots, Cauliflower, Sweetcorn (V) @ Fruit Daily, Salad, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt @ Jelly & Fruit (V) (S) Dishes Homemade, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt @ Hot Sour Cream Wings (Chicken, Cheese & Quorn Filling) (V) @ Roast Beef, Bean Sprouts (V) (S) @ Jacket Potatoes & Filling (V) (S) @ Bolognese with a Choice of Filling @ Roast Hot Potatoes, Carrots, Cauliflower, Sweetcorn (V) @ Fruit Daily, Salad, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt @ Vanilla Cakes (V) Dishes Homemade, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt	Hand Stretched Doughnuts or Pasticcini Pizza (V) @ Pasticcini Pizza (V) (S) @ Jacket Potatoes & Filling (V) (S) @ Sandwich with a Choice of Filling @ Fried Onions, Cauliflower, Sweetcorn (V) @ Fried Onions, Sweetcorn (V) @ Ice Cream & Fruit (V) (S) Dishes Homemade, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt @ Mini Chili Con Carne with Nachos (V) (S) @ Roast Beef, Bean Sprouts (V) @ Jacket Potatoes & Filling (V) (S) @ Roast Hot Potatoes, Carrots, Cauliflower, Sweetcorn (V) @ Fruit Daily, Salad, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt @ Chocolate Cake with Pears & Chocolate Sauce (V) Dishes Homemade, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt @ Roast Chicken (V) @ Chicken & Broccoli Quiche (V) @ Jacket Potatoes & Filling (V) (S) @ Soft Selt with a Choice of Filling @ Roast Hot Potatoes, Carrots, Cauliflower, Sweetcorn (V) @ Fruit Daily, Salad, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt @ Orange Cakes (V) Dishes Homemade, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt @ Traditional All Day Breakfast (V) @ Hot Wings (Roast Potatoes) (V) @ Jacket Potatoes & Filling (V) (S) @ Soft Selt with a Choice of Filling @ Fried Onions, Cauliflower, Sweetcorn (V) @ Fruit Daily, Salad, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt @ Breaded Fish Fingers (V) @ Handmade Vegetarian Pizza & Pasta (V) (S) @ Jacket Potatoes & Filling (V) (S) @ Soft Selt with a Choice of Filling @ Fried Onions, Cauliflower, Sweetcorn (V) @ Fruit Daily, Salad, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt @ Hot Springs & Custard (V) Dishes Homemade, Seasonal Fruit, Yoghurt

Autumn term school dinner menu is available to book via School Grid.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2024/2025

Monday 2nd September:	INSET Day
Tuesday 3rd September:	Term 1 (1 <sup>st</sup> half) commences
Thursday 5th September:	Y4 Hill End Parents' Information meeting (3:15)
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> September:	2.30pm KS1 Parents information session
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> September:	2.30pm Lower KS2 Parents information session
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> September:	2.30pm Upper KS2 Parents information session
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September:	Y5 Youlbury Parents' Information meeting (3:15)
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 6 Greek day and Year 3 Stone Age Day
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September-	Y4 Hill End trip
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	Y4 Hill End trip
Tuesday 1st October:	FS trip to Cogges Farm
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Open Morning for prospective Parents (Foundation Stage Sept 2025) 9:00am
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> October:	World Mental Health Day
<b>Friday 11th October</b>	<b>PTA Children's sponsored run</b>
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October:	KS1 & KS2 Adaptive Teaching Staying and Learn
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October:	Parents' Evening: 3:30-6:30pm
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October:	Parents' Evening: 3:30-6:30pm
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup> October:	Y6 Bikeability
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> - 25 <sup>th</sup> October:	Y5 Youlbury Trip
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October:	Last day of half term
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November:	INSET Day 2
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November:	Term 1 (2nd half) commences
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November:	Open Morning for prospective Parents (Foundation Stage Sept 2025) 9:00am
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November:	Y2 Tower of London
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November:	Y4 Viking day
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November:	Anti-Bullying week - Odd Socks Day
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup> November:	Year 6 Woodlands Trip
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November:	Year 5 Didcot Railway Evacuee Experience
<b>Monday 2nd December</b>	<b>PTA Non-School uniform Day for Christmas Fair</b>
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Open Morning for prospective Parents (Foundation Stage Sept 2025) 9:00am
<b>Friday 6th December:</b>	<b>PTA Christmas Fair</b>
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December:	KS1 Performance to the school: 1pm
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December:	KS1 Performance: 1pm (Babies and toddlers welcome)
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December:	KS1 Performance: 6pm (Adults only)
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December:	FS Christmas Singing: 2pm
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December:	Parents' open afternoon begins at 2:45pm with mince pies and mulled wine
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December:	End of Term (Finish at 1:15pm)
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January:	INSET Day 3
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January:	Term 2 (1 <sup>st</sup> half) begins
<b>Friday 7th February:</b>	<b>PTA Valentine's Disco</b>
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February:	End of half term
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February:	Term 2 (2nd half) begins
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February:	KS1 & KS2 Parents Evening: 3:30 – 6:30pm
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February:	KS1 & KS2 Parents Evening: 3:30 – 6:30pm
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March:	NHM-Tring, Year 2
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March:	World Book Day
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> March:	KS1 & KS2 Parents Stay and Learn Afternoon 9am (RE)
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March:	Red Nose Day
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> March:	Year 4/5 Production to school: 1pm
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April:	Year 4/5 Production to parents: 1pm (Babies and toddlers welcome)
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April:	Year 4/5 Production to Parents: 6pm
<b>Thursday 3rd April:</b>	<b>PTA Break the Rules Day</b>
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April:	End of Term (Finish at 1:15pm)
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April:	Term 3 (1 <sup>st</sup> half) begins
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April:	Year 4 trip to Tusmore Farm
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> April:	Year 6 Transition Day at Bartholomew
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Mayday parade
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May:	May Bank Holiday
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May:	Foundation trip to Sutton Courtenay Environmental Centre
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> 15 <sup>th</sup> May:	KS2 SATs Week
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May:	PTA Summer Fete with Dance performances: 2:00pm
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May:	Last day of half term
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June:	Term 3 (2 <sup>nd</sup> half) begins
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> June:	Run Wytham Woods
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June:	Year 6 Transition Day at Bartholomew
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June:	Met the new teacher day
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June:	Year 6 Transition Day at Bartholomew
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July:	EVFS Sports Afternoon
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July:	Sports Day
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July:	Back up sports day in case of bad weather
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July:	Reports out
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July:	Year 6 Production to the school: 1.30pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Production to parents: 1:30pm (Babies and toddlers welcome)
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July:	Year 6 Production to parents/carers: 6pm
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July:	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly to parents/carers 1:15pm
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July:	End of Term (Finish at 1:15pm)

## Awards



### **Headteacher Award:**

Year 1- Jacob, Marnie

Year 2- Henry, Nick

Year 3- Maverick, Nancy

Year 4- Lucia, Annika

Year 5- Luke, Lizzie

Year 6- Immy, Millie

### **Reading Award:**

Year 4- Stefan, Jase

### **Writing Award:**

Year 1- Isla

### **Maths Award:**

Year 1- Shuli

Year 3- James

Year 6- Eddie, Julie

### **Bronze Award:**

Year 3- Tino, Maverick

**Superstar Sports Award:**

Year 6- Sammy, Christian

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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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