



Eton Porny C of E First School

Newsletter 29 – Summer Term 1

12th May 2023

*We are all created unique and special.
He made us all perfect having our own uniqueness.*

1 Peter 4:10-11 "God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another."

Dear Parents/Carers,

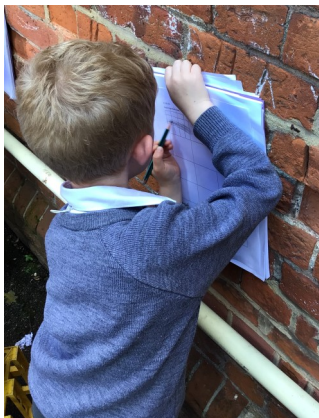
This week the school has felt strangely quiet with over forty Year Three and Four pupils going off on our annual residential trip, this year for the first time to Grittleton House Adventure Centre. We have been inundated with fantastic photos and I'm looking forward to having them all back at school to hear all about it. The Year 3 and Year 4 children who remained at school have enjoyed a fun and busy week with additional activities to the usual curriculum programme. With only two weeks to go until the May half term we have lots to fit in before the second half of the summer term arrives, hopefully bringing with it some sunshine. The first week back in the summer term sees our **PTA running a fantastic fundraiser - The Crown Dash** - see later in the newsletter for more details, the sponsorship form will be sent home next week.

With best wishes for a lovely weekend - Emma Stanford-Smith (Headteacher)

LEARNING SNAPSHOTS

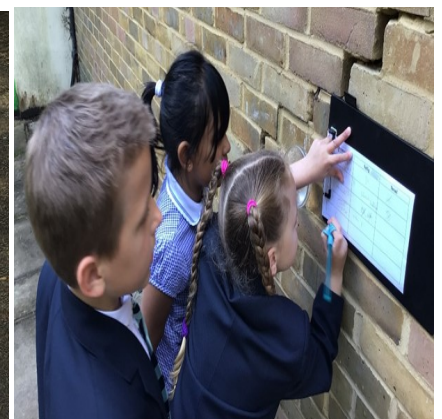
Year 1 have started some work on fractions! They have been learning how to split shapes and objects in half and can recognise that a half is two equal parts of a whole. We also started a new Art topic called 'Street View.' The children enjoyed looking at the buildings around our school and drawing thumbnail sketches of windows, chimneys and doors. In PE we have been practicing our jumping skills.

Ask me: How many halves make a whole?



Year 2 continued their fractions journey this week, looking at quarters and three quarters. In Science the children explored the playground and garden, identifying and counting creatures in their micro habitats. The children used their data to produce some excellent tables and graphs to represent their findings. In topic work the children re-enacted the demise of Edward the Confessor, the rise and fall of King Harold and the subsequent victory of William the Conqueror. Working in groups they sequenced sections of the Bayeux Tapestry from Edward the Confessor to King William the Conqueror.

Ask me: What happened at the Battle of Hastings in 1066?



Year 3/4 Home The children at school have enjoyed lots of fun activities at school this week including: maths games, salt dough and mini comic books. On Thursday afternoon they went on a lovely Eco Scavenger Hunt organised by Eton College: children had to find clues along the route which gradually revealed a nature-themed hidden word.

Ask me: What was the endangered bird revealed as 'the word' from our Scavenger Hunt ?



Year 3/4 Away The children have had an amazing time at Grittleton House Adventure Centre. The days have flown by and have been filled with numerous activities including : karting, low ropes, bush craft, archery, water wars and all topped off with marshmallows round the camp fire. The children have developed their skills of being independent and have all shown increased confidence and team work. What a great trip!

Ask me: what new skills have I learnt?



This week, **Reception** began their new project 'Creep, Crawl & Wriggle'. They looked back at photos from their trip to the Eton College Natural History Museum a couple of weeks ago and remembered all of the information they were told about mini-beasts. They also went on a mini-beast hunt around the garden to see how many they could find.

Ask me: Can you tell me one fact about worms?



FORTHCOMING DATES

24th May	Express Events - all year groups 8.50am (drop off) until 9.15am
26th May	Last Day of Term - normal pick up 3.15
5th June	Back to School
28th June	Sports day and PTA summer fair (TBC)
14th July	Express Event Reception, Y1, Y2 & Y3 (2:45pm)
17th July	Year 4 fair and leavers dinner (for children)
19th July	Year 4 leavers assembly and picnic Last day of term 1.10pm finish

Spiritual Spotlight

Miss Armitage led the children in collective worship. We have been discussing our value of the month which is forgiveness. The children were told the story of the lost son. The father forgives his son when he returns and welcomes him home. In the same way, God waits for humans to realise what they've done wrong and ask for forgiveness and welcomes them back when they do.

Dear God, help us to be honest.
Remind us how to say sorry when we have made a mistake.

Amen



PE DAYS SUMMER 1

Reception - Friday

**Year 1 – Tuesday and
Wednesday**

**Year 2 – Tuesday and
Wednesday**

**Year 3 – Monday (swimming)
and Friday**

**Don't forget to book
your lunches in
advance on
School Money.**

**Even if your child has
packed lunch... this
still needs to be
selected on the
School Money
system so we know**

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

*This week we were fortunate
enough to have a prayer written by
two of our year four students
Erin & Luqmaan.*

Dear God

*Thank you for forgiveness and that
we can forgive the people who hurt
us, and we will forgive 70 X 7 times.
It's a tricky thing to do but we trust
you will help us.*

Amen

CELEBRATION

The results of this week's celebration awards

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Reception: Evie & Georgia

Year 1: Luc & Jacob

Year 2: Nivaan & Rafi Jo

Year 3/4: Ren & Erin

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

Reception: : Leo W

Year 1: Marley

Year 2: Grace

Year 3/4: Noor-Fatima



**SPARKLY GREEN - HOT
CHOCOLATE WITH THE HEAD**

**A huge well done to all of these children.
We are really proud of you.**

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THE CROWN DASH



WEDNESDAY 7TH JUNE 2023

The Crown Dash will take place on the morning of Wednesday 7th June 2023, at Eton playing field. We are hoping that this is a big fundraiser and together we are hoping to raise £1,000!

How?

The children will do a relay "dash" in their house teams for a set time, carrying the crown jewels on a cushion and swapping on the way! They will complete as many "dashes" without dropping the jewel as they can... the more "dashes" they do, the more chance their house / year group will win!

The winning HOUSE will be crowned "The Dash Champions" with a celebration bonus break time and Cookies made by our very own kitchen team.

The YEAR group that raises the most money will be crowned "The Jewel fundraiser champions" and will receive a special surprise treat.

Why?

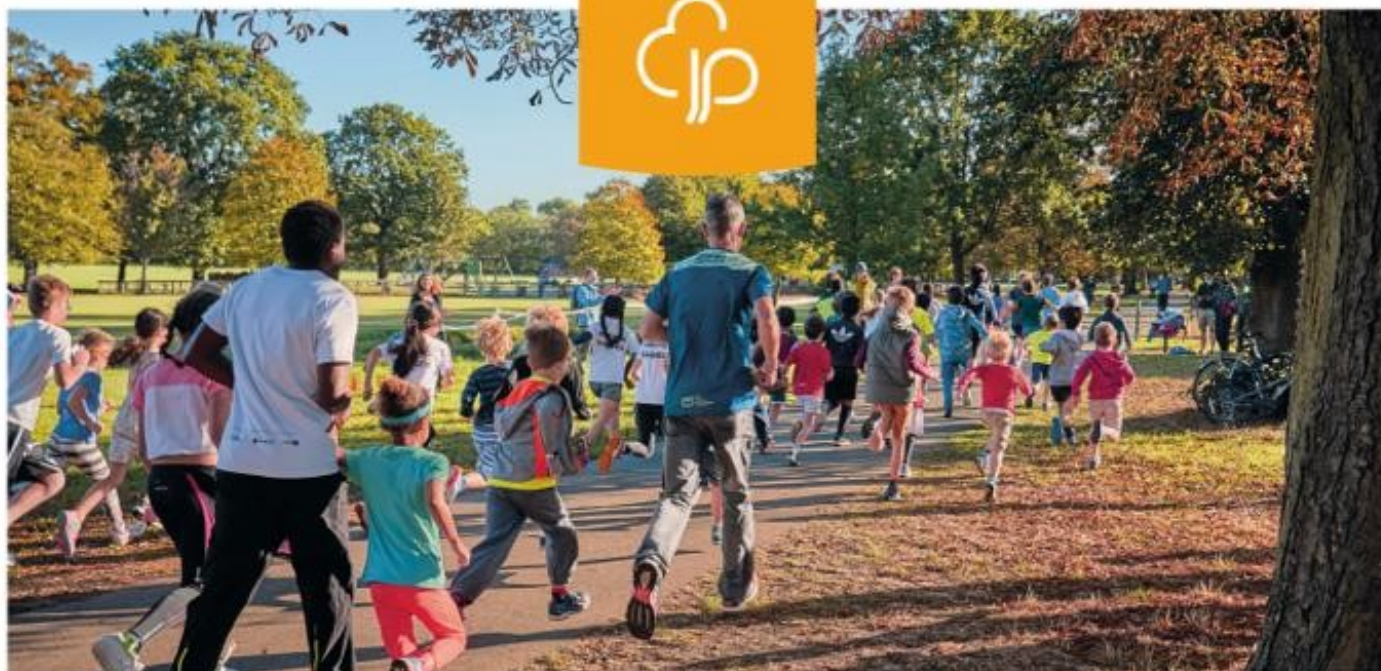
This event will be great fun for the children, form part of our royal celebrations during School hours, whilst also raising money to fund items on the school's wish list that enhance every child's time at school.

WHO?

EACH AND EVERY CHILD WILL BE ASKED TO FIND AS MANY SPONSORS OR DONATIONS AS POSSIBLE FROM FAMILY AND FRIENDS! SPONSORSHIP FORMS ARE COMING HOME IN BOOK BAGS TODAY.

ALL MONEY RAISED WILL BE SUBMITTED THROUGH PARENT PAY.

THANKS IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT! ETON PORNY PTA



JOIN THE JUNIOR PARKRUN FAMILY

WALK, JOG, RUN, VOLUNTEER

or simply come and watch - it's up to you!

FAMILY-FRIENDLY 2K EVENTS

Every Sunday morning

EVERYONE WELCOME

Walk, jog, run, hop, skip or jump - it's up to you!

HAVE FUN BEING ACTIVE

Share high fives and big smiles!

LEARN NEW SKILLS

Kids can volunteer in lots of roles

FOR 4-14 YEAR OLDS

Adults can join in with the kids too!

FREE & EASY TO TAKE PART

No special kit needed - wear whatever you like

MAKE FRIENDS

Meet lots of new people

FEEL HAPPY AND PROUD

Try your best and celebrate your achievements

*"We all do it together as a family. The volunteers are really nice,
it's fun and you can walk if you want to!"*



Register at **[parkrun.com](https://www.parkrun.com)**

and head down to your local junior parkrun event!

notes:

Sunday's 9am Salt Hill Park