



Eton Porny C of E First School

Newsletter 22 – Spring Term 1

1st of March 2024

*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,

Thank-you for supporting us with the book fair this week, it will also be open on Monday before and after school. The library monitors are looking forward to choosing some new books for school next week with the commission earnt. Well-done to all of the children who entered the competition to represent a book. There were some very thoughtful and creative entries and I enjoyed talking with each child about their entry. Winners have brought home a voucher to spend at the fair.

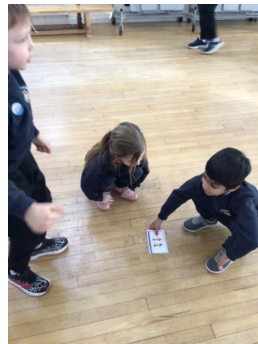
We look forward to the reading buzz continuing next week as we celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. Wishing you a lovely weekend, Emma Stanford-Smith (Headteacher)



LEARNING SNAPSHOT

Year 1 have enjoyed their PE lessons this week. On Tuesday, the children looked at videos of fireworks and worked in groups to create a sequence of dance movements inspired by the fireworks, using different directions and levels. On Wednesday, the children worked on their fundamental skills with Coach Katie. They worked on using space and their jumping and jogging skills.

Ask me: How can I move like a firework?



Year 2 This week the children explored plants and flowers in our local environment with a partner. They recorded their observations and discussed their findings with the class. In art, children have been doing various exciting activities in our 'Flower Head' topic, this includes exploring different shapes and textures. We have also started learning our dance routine for our upcoming dance festival and we are so excited!

Ask me: Which activities have you been doing in art?



Year 3 enjoyed completing a number of practical activities this week, from investigating the frictional force of an object over different surfaces in Science to coding (using Scratch) in Computing. As young athletes, we are continuing to perfect our catching and aiming skills to build these towards playing Invasion games and Striking and Fielding. In Computing, we used Scratch to program an animation with the poems we created. In English, reading the 'Iron Man' we role-played a scene for our diary-entry and learnt how to debate respectfully as a class.

Ask me: : What happens when you connect magnets with opposite poles (north and south)?



Year 4 began their hockey lessons in the Eton College Sports Hall. They made excellent use of the space to develop their passing skills. In the classroom the children learnt about the Bankura Horse and attempted to create their own out of clay. The clay models need to dry before they can be painted and sent home. In Maths, fractions has continued to be a very practical activity with the children investigating equivalent fractions using the Cuisenaire rods. They have been interested to see how Maths develops and progresses in Year 5 and 6 and have enjoyed attempting some of the trickier methods.

Ask me: What makes up the Animal Kingdom?



Reception have been exploring plants this week and what a plant needs to survive and grow. The children know that plants need soil, water and sunlight to be able to grow properly and they are starting to use the words 'leaf', 'stem' and 'root'. We planted some different seeds this week and we are exploring what is the best way for them to grow. Our seeds will be growing in different environments and over the next few weeks, we will find out what the best environment will be. Some have been given sunlight but no water, some have been given soil and some have been given cotton wool instead. We are also keeping a close watch on our cress seeds and we write some super instructions on how to grow cress in a yoghurt pot!

Ask me: What does 'germinate' mean?



FORTHCOMING DATES

7th March	World Book Day (Optional dressing up)
12th and 14th March	Parents Evening -All Years booking online
25th March	Easter Service 2:15 for 2:30 start at Lower Chapel
28th March	Last Day Of Term 1.15pm Finish
15th April	Children Return To School

Spiritual Spotlight

This week Miss Beaumont led the assembly and it was all about random acts of kindness. She shared a song with the children Called 'give a little kindness.' We were also very lucky this week to have a Prayer written by one of our year 4 children.

Dear God

Thank you for our amazing life.

We are lucky for everything we have.

We are Grateful.

Amen.

Nora Year 4

PE Days

Reception— Friday

Year 1 and 2 – Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 3— Monday and Tuesday

Year 4—Monday (Swimming) and Tuesday

Sparkly Green



CELEBRATION

The results of this week's celebration awards

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Reception: Sia and Yousaf

Year 1: Raye and Jasleen

Year 2: Kalina and Emilia

Year 3: Aiyzah and Japji

Year 4: Fatima and Julian

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

Reception: Madison

Year 1: Leo W

Year 2: Pedro

Year 3: Maya

Year 4: Gabriel

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