

Eton Porny C of E First School Newsletter 27 – Summer Term 1

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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,

What a busy week it's been full of trips and visits as well as OFSTED inspection! As you are all aware we received our call from OFSTED on Tuesday morning followed by a one day ungraded inspection on Wednesday. I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone for being so supportive, I was blown away by the number of parents who completed their 'parent view' and really proud to read the <u>results</u>. The staff really appreciated your well wishes and treats to get us through the day. It is likely that we will not receive the report until the end of May, I will then be able to share this the school community.

Wishing you a lovely weekend, Emma Stanford-Smith (Headteacher)

LEARNING SNAPSHOT

Year 1 enjoyed a trip to the Eton Life Museum this week. The children have been learning about what life was like at the school during the Victorian era. They enjoyed lots of activities including practicing their copperplate handwriting with dipping pens. They also learnt about the extracurricular activities the boys used to take part in and how they used to live.

Ask me: What was life like at Eton College in the Victorian times?







Year 2 wrote a persuasive letter to Egg Box Dragon asking him for his help to find something they have lost. There was a focus on using the correct punctuation and using persuasive phrases. In maths, we have been focusing on finding thirds of numbers and shapes. We have been learning that all parts need to be equal. In History, we considered the concept of power and discussed the varying levels of power that different monarchs have held.

Ask me: Who was a powerful monarch? What made them powerful?



Year 3 had a busy second week of term! We gathered ideas for our mosaic designs from Roman mosaics in Art, recording colours, patterns, borders and subject matters. In Maths, we have begun another short unit 'Money'; understanding the value of each amount (coins and notes), to converting these skilfully. We enjoyed a Science experiment, investigating plant vessels and discussing how water is transported through these to provide for the plant.

Ask me: what was the consequence of the Roman Empire expanding, invading countries around them?



Year 4 have continued to learn about Ancient Sumer and the reasons why it became the first civilisation. They enjoyed their visit to the Eton Antiquities Museum. In Maths the children are coming to the end of their decimals work. They have focussed on place value and tenths and hundredths as decimals and fractions. Year 4 are looking forward to their DT project next week, with Mr Elliott. We have lots of bottles and boxes for our pulley and levers project.

Ask me: Why was Sumer the first Civilisation?



Reception have had a very busy week with two trips, one to the Eton College Natural History Museum and our big trip to Hobbledown Heath and what fun we had! Our workshop at the Natural History Museum was all about minibeats and we learnt words like arthropod and arachnid and enjoyed a hunt for different butterflies. During our day at Hobbledown we saw lots of different animals, had the chance to feed the meerkat and the lemurs gave us a bit of a fright when they were jumping around! After we had explored the animals, we had some time to play in the outdoor adventure area, helping with our strength, balance and problem solving skills! Next week we will be doing some writing about our time at Hobbledown.

Ask me: What was your favourite animal at Hobbledown?



FORTHCOMING DATES Bank Holiday- School closed to all 6th May children 15th to 17th Year 3 and 4 residential trip to May **Grittleton House Express Event- All Years** 23rd May 2.50 PTA sponsored event-more info to 24th May End of Term- Children finish normal 3rd June **Children return to School** 25th June Class Photos (AM) Family lunch and Sports day (PM)-26th June **More Info To Follow Express Event- All Years** 12th July 8.50 Year 4 Leavers Dinner - More info to 17th July Year 4 Leavers Assembly and Picnic-Info To Follow 19th July Last Day Of Term 1.10 Finish

Spiritual spotlight

Miss Beaumont shared information with the children about St George's Day. St. George's Day is held on 23rd April to celebrate the patron saint of England. The children listened to a story about Saint George and how he was a brave knight. In times gone by, people used to wear a red rose in their lapels to celebrate St. George's Day. Nowadays, people display the Saint George's cross flag outside their homes with the hymn Jerusalem sung at church services.







CELEBRATION

The results of this week's celebration awards



ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Reception: Nico and Lara

Year 1: Theo and Emmery

Year 2: Olivia and Oscar

Year 3: Ollie and Henry F

Year 4: Julian and Khalam

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

Reception: Rahma

Year 1: Arhum

Year 2: Sonia

Year 3: Melissa

Year 4: Charlotte



