# Eton Porny C of E First School Newsletter 30 – Summer Term 1

17th of May 2024

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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, This week the school has felt strangely quiet with lots of our Year Three and Four pupils going off on our annual residential trip to Grittleton House Adventure Centre. I have had the great pleasure of accompanying the children on the trip this year and it has been fantastic. The children have embraced every new challenge and have represented the School incredibly.

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 a week to go until the May half term and we have lots to fit in before the second half of the summer term arrives, please see the forthcoming dates further down in the Newsletter for events taking place next week.

It is Walk To School week next week so please make the most of the weather and encourage the children to take part!

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

#### LEARNING SNAPSHOT

Year 1 have had another busy week! The children have been learning about how plants come from seeds and bulbs. They enjoyed sorting different seeds and bulbs by type, size and colour. In Maths, the children have been learning about position and directions. They have enjoyed learning about the different types of turns and have been programming beetbots to do different turns, predicting where they will finish. In Art, the children completed a picture of our school in the style of James Rizzi.

#### Ask me: To complete different types of turns.







**Year 2** have learnt about William the Conqueror and we completed a Bayeux tapestry showing the story of the Battle of Hastings. In science we have been learning about microhabitats and we have been doing some exploration in our school garden and recording our findings!

#### Ask me: What is a tapestry?



**Year 3/4 Home** were thrilled going out to the Woodland Tree Trail around the Eton College, playing a game of 'tree bingo'. We have enjoyed painting with watercolours, 'The Green Ship' by Roald Dahl. We were lucky to walk to Eton College Natural History Museum and Antiquities Museum, learning about pre-historic dinosaurs and Ancient Egyptian history.

Ask me: What was your favourite activity this week?



Year 3/4 Away Have had an amazing time away. The days have flown by and have been filled with numerous activities including den building, fire lighting, cooling down with water wars, buggy building and the fun didn't stop there at night we had a show evening and it was all topped off with a celebration Evening. 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 was your favourite activity?



**Reception** have been learning about doubles and odds and evens. The children know that when making double, they need two equal groups. They have made double on their fingers and made double on a butterfly. We have also been using Numberblocks to learning about 'Odd Blocks and Even Tops' and the children have had the chance to explore making these number shapes with cubes.

Ask me: to make double using some objects around the house.









FORTHCOMING DATES	
23rd May	Express Event– All Years
	2.50
24th May	PTA sponsored event—more info to follow
	End of Term– Children finish normal time
3rd June	Children return to School
25th June	Class Photos (AM)
26th June	Family lunch and Sports day (PM)– More Info To Follow
12th July	Express Event– All Years 8.50
17th July	Year 4 Leavers Dinner— More info to follow
19th July	Year 4 Leavers Assembly and Picnic– Info To Follow Last Day Of Term 1.10 Finish

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 .



#### ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Reception: Violet and Victor

Year 1: Seva and Evie

Year 2: Ameera and Yavi

Year 3: Pranaya and Zainab

Year 4: Noor-Fatima and Asher

### Walk To School Week 2024

Next Week is Walk to School Week. We are encouraging all students (where possible) to walk, cycle or scoot to school . Even if you have to drive to School maybe park further away and walk some of the way.

More information can be found further down in the newsletter.







# CELEBRATION

The results of this week's celebration awards

# PUPIL OF THE WEEK

Reception: Sia

Year 1: Ottilie

Year 2: Thomas

Year 3: Ilyana

Year 4: Macy

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









# GET READY FOR TO SCHOO **WEEK 2024** )th <u>29</u>th 20

Get out of your seat and onto your feet

# **SPOTLIGHT ON...** Physical Activity and Walk to School Week

Did you know that children between 5 and 18 need at least 60 minutes of moderate or vigorous activity a day?

· Children and young people need to do 2 types of physical activity each week - aerobic exercise and exercises to strengthen their muscles and bones.

· Children should ideally take part in a variety of types and intensities of physical activity across the week to develop movement skills, muscles and bones.

 $\cdot$  As a habit, children should reduce the time spent sitting or lying down and break up long periods of not moving with some activity. Aim to spread activity throughout the day.

What counts as moderate activity?

Moderate intensity activities will raise your heart rate, and make you breathe faster and feel warmer. One way to tell if you're working at a moderate intensity level is if you can still talk, but not sing!

Moderate activities include: walking to school; PE; sports like football or tennis; playground activities, including jumping, running and catching; swimming; skipping; dancing; skateboarding or rollerblading and cycling.

Activities that strengthen muscles and bones include: gymnastics; football; jumping; martial arts; sit-ups and press-ups.

## Next week from 20th to 24th May is Walk to School Week!

Across the UK during one week in May, children and school staff are encouraged to find ways to travel to and from school in a healthy, sustainable way!

By walking, cycling or scooting to and from school instead of travelling by car, this can be part of your daily exercise.

• Each class will work together and record their journeys to school on a class chart.

• Each child will get a Passport to record their own daily journey with a small activity to do each day.

• Inside the passport is a bookmark for you to add your daily journey sticker to and keep at the end of the week.

• On Friday, certificates will be awarded to the class or classes with the most walked journeys over the week.