## Eton Porny C of E First School Newsletter 3 – Autumn 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/Carers,

Despite the torrential weather we have faced this week the children have continued to impress in their lessons and it has been another busy week. It was lovely to see some new faces at the PTA fundraising meeting but we are always on the lookout for new volunteers to help us fundraise for the children at our School to provide them with new equipment and opportunities.

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

#### LEARNING SNAPSHOTS

**Year 1** have had another busy week! The children have finished reading 'if all the world were' and have been writing special memory books and thank you cards to tie in with the story. In Maths, the children have been practicing counting backwards. In their 'Childhood' topic, the children discussed how humans change from babies to toddlers to children and so on. They then made human timelines.

#### Ask me: What are the stages of human life?







**Year 2** As part of our DT topic, 'Remarkable Recipes' children in year 2 made Eton Mess and vegetable casserole. They had the opportunity to read recipes and practice various culinary skills including mixing, slicing and chopping. In our maths mastery sessions we have been finding the odd numbers 'hidden' in even numbers. In geography, we recapped the names of the continents and oceans using atlases.

#### Ask me: What are the names of the continents?



**Year 3** have had another busy week. They impressed us with their retelling of a section of Pebble in my Pocket and started their new art project 'Colour theory' where they have been learning more about the colour wheel. In science, they learnt the scientific names of the human skeleton – labelling themselves with sticky notes to locate the bones on their body.

Ask me: Name 3 bones in the human skeleton by their scientific name.







**Year 4** have chosen stories to read to the reception children. In the classroom, they have been practising telling the stories, trying to learn parts of the story and noting down some of the story language. Year 4 will start reading to the reception children after half term. This is all linked to the big push that Year 4 are having on reading. It has been lovely to see the comments from home in the planners. Due to the huge effort that the children having been putting in at home, several children have moved up a reading level this week. In the lessons we are building a bank of 'story language' to make our story writing more interesting. The children will shortly be writing about one of Arthur's adventures.

#### Ask me: Who is Arthur?



**Reception** have been busy continuing their Let's Explore project this week thinking more closely about where they live. They spent time using junk modelling materials to build houses and create towns as well as building dens outside. We have read the story In Every House, On Every Street and the children have spent time talking about who is in their family and the things they do at home and what they do in different rooms. We have also read the story Part of the Party which talks about all families being different.

#### Ask me: What do you enjoy doing in different parts of the house?







## **FORTHCOMING DATES**

17th October	Express Event All Years 2:50
8th November	Individual School Photos
14th November	Eton Christmas Light Switch On (Year 3 and 4 to sing in the Chapel)

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 we don't have to ask your child in the morning.

**Sparkly Green** 





#### ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Reception: Gigi and Hasan

Year 1: Zayn and Kiyaan

Year 2: Tammi and Skyla

Year 3: Danil and Thomas

Year 4: Maxwell S and Akira

# **Spiritual Spotlight**

As a school we have been focussing on our 'Spacemakers' programme. Space Makers, accessible to children of all faiths and worldviews, is founded on ancient pathways and practices of meditation and prayer that have resourced, benefitted and healed Christians for generations.

This week we have been working on 'noticing' The children were encouraged to notice when they were happy and energised and when they were tired and sad. They thought about the things that made them energised and how they could address being sad or tired. They listened to a story about a man who visited a village in Madagascar. He gave some children a tennis ball to play with and they all had lots of fun. At the end of the visit he gave the children the children handed the ball back. They had enjoyed the fun of playing with the ball but noticed that the ball may cause arguments in the future and so decided to give it back.

Dear God, Thank you for helping us to achieve our goals. We have lots of different talents every single one of us. Amen. (Pranaya and Holly, Yr4)

## CELEBRATION



### PUPIL OF THE WEEK

**Reception: India** 

Year 1: Sia

Year 2: Emmery

Year 3: Emilia

Year 4: Aiyzah



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

