



*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,

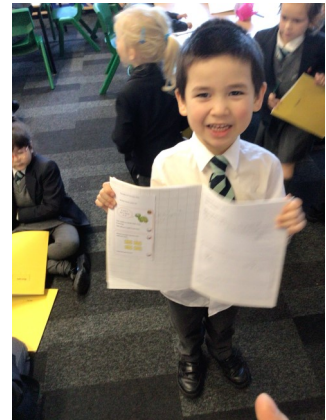
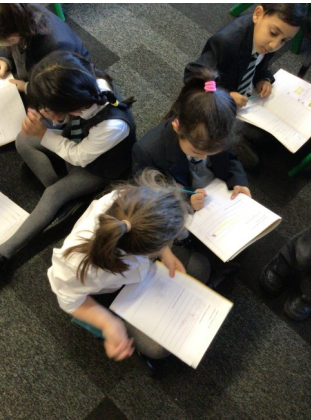
The Christmas season arrived in Eton this week with the Eton Lights Switch on event on Thursday evening. I am so proud of our Year 3 and 4 children who represented Eton Poryn at the Chapel Service by singing beautifully, before joining the parade through the town centre. Thank you to Mrs Hilton for all of the hard work and preparation that goes into making it happen. On behalf of the PTA, Jaz and Pete would like thank everyone who donated cakes, the volunteers on the PTA stall and for everyone that attended the event, your support is greatly appreciated. We will have an update on how much they raised next week.

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

### LEARNING SNAPSHOTS

Year 1 have enjoyed their Maths lessons this week. The children have been learning how to read and work out word problems in their addition topic. They enjoyed writing their own word problems for their friends to answer. In Art, the children have learnt about the colour wheel and have been mixing colours to create their own colour wheels.

**Ask me: What is the colour wheel?**



Year 2 have been learning about famous explorers such as Christopher Columbus. In P.E, we practiced our 'flashy passing' skills. This included underarm and overarm throws. In English, we have continued reading The Last Wolf and have spent time understanding the characters' thoughts and feelings.

**Ask me: Why is Christopher Columbus famous?**



**Year 3** have had an incredibly busy week. At the start of the week, they finished their DT project Cook well, Eat well by making four different taco fillings and then choosing their favourite combination to add to their taco to take home to enjoy. They have done some fantastic writing based on their class book James and the Giant Peach and tackled some tricky addition and subtraction in maths using place value counters. They have also enjoyed PE this week, learning to do different rolls in gymnastics and getting their heart rate up with circuits on Friday.

**Ask me: When do you need to exchange during addition or subtraction?**



**Year 4** began with a trip to Windsor Castle to take part in the Remembrance Service. Year 4 walked to and from the castle with the reception children and were incredibly sensible. The Year 4 children are enjoying the responsibilities of being the oldest children in the school. Each Friday this term they are reading with the reception children. They have spent time learning some of their own favourite short stories. They have story mapped the stories so that they can become familiar with them and learn sections off by heart. The children have also worked on their story reading skills, adding pace, volume and enthusiasm.

**Ask me: Which story have you been reading to the children in reception?**



**Reception** have been learning about moving machines this week. We have really enjoyed reading our story Car, Car, Truck, Jeep which we have read to the tune of baa baa black sheep and the children have enjoyed learning the story and reciting different parts. We have discussed emergency vehicles and those used on farms. We have finished this week by creating observational drawings of our favourite moving machine and had a go at using our phonic knowledge to write the name.

**Ask me: What is your favourite moving machine and why?**



## FORTHCOMING DATES

<b>19th and 21st November</b>	<b>Parent consultation— appointments to be booked online</b>
<b>29th November</b>	<b>Christmas Jumper Day—children to wear a Christmas jumper to school for informal Christmas class photo</b>
<b>3rd December</b>	<b>Year 3 Express Event at Antiquities Museum 2pm</b>
<b>4th December</b>	<b>Festive Wreath Making— See more information below in the Newsletter</b>

## Remembrance Day

On Monday, the whole School were invited to the remembrance service at Windsor Castle. The children enjoyed seeing the guards on the parade ground and were very quiet and respectful during the 2 minute silence. It was lovely to hear that the members of the castle community had commented on the children's excellent behaviour. Thank you Mrs Dewar for arranging such a special morning.



## Sparkly Green



## ECO SQUAD

A reminder that next week the children will be continuing the Cut Your Carbon Challenge. We will be focussing on Drop it Like its Hot (turn the heating down by 1 degree) and No Power Hour (switch off your devices for one hour each day.) Please continue with the last weeks challenges as well.

## CELEBRATION

The results of this week's celebration awards

### ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Reception: Mario and Ruhi  
 Year 1: Ariya and Yousaf  
 Year 2: Seva and Roisin  
 Year 3: Cristiano and Marley  
 Year 4: Holly and Maya

### PUPIL OF THE WEEK

Reception: Gigi  
 Year 1: Oscar  
 Year 2: Alan  
 Year 3: Dylan  
 Year 4: Henry F

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

# Key Dates 2024/2025

## September

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> INSET days

12<sup>th</sup> Y1&2 coffee morning and curriculum 8.50am

13<sup>th</sup> Y3&4 coffee morning and curriculum including residential information 8.50am

23<sup>rd</sup> EYFSP Parent info 2:45pm

## October

17<sup>th</sup> Express Event all years 2.50pm

22<sup>nd</sup> PTA Spooky Disco



## November

4<sup>th</sup> INSET day

6-11<sup>th</sup> Book fair

8<sup>th</sup> Individual school photos

14<sup>th</sup> Eton Christmas Lights switch on  
Yr3 and Yr4 sing in the chapel

19<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> Parent consultations

## December

3<sup>rd</sup> Y3 Express event at Antiquities museum-2pm

4<sup>th</sup> Festive Wreath Event 7-9pm (Adults only)

9<sup>th</sup> Express event R,1,2,4 2.50pm

10<sup>th</sup> Pantomime

12<sup>th</sup> at 2:15 Christingle service at Lower Chapel

## January

Swimming starts Year 4



## February

6<sup>th</sup> Express event all years 2.50pm

14<sup>th</sup> INSET day

## March

18<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> Parent consultations

25<sup>th</sup> Express event Y1-4 8.50am

26<sup>th</sup> Express event R Time TBC

## April

Swimming starts Year 3



## May

14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Grittleton residential Y3 & 4

23<sup>rd</sup> Express event all years 2.50pm



## June

Sports day and summer fair TBC



## July

Transition day TBC

11<sup>th</sup> Express event all years 8.50am

16<sup>th</sup> Yr4 leavers meal evening

18<sup>th</sup> Yr4 leavers assembly and picnic



Please note that these dates are subject to change. We aim to give as much notice as possible to any changes.

# Wreath Making Evening at Eton Porny

Wednesday 4th December 7pm-9pm



Come and enjoy an evening of wreath making. All resources will be supplied and you will take home your beautiful creation.

Guiding you through the process will be Catherine - an experienced florist.

BYO drinks and nibbles.

£35 per person - to secure your space please pay cash to the school office. All are welcome.

## Autism Sensory Bus

Throughout the remainder of November and all of December a new sensory bus, for autistic children, will be attending multiple Christmas events throughout Maidenhead. They will be offering an autism friendly Santa's Grotto and sensory room bookings to provide a safe space and calming experience for children who may be feeling overwhelmed at the event so they and their families can attend – inclusion for all.

From January 2025, they will be trialling the bus termly with schools so they can offer a sensory room facility onsite for schools that currently are unable to offer this support to children with autism currently. They are also in the planning stage to offer hair cuts and counselling in the bus sensory room environment.

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November - Launch Event**

**1.30pm - 3.30pm**

**Maidenhead United Football Ground**

Here is the Facebook event link with full details : <https://fb.me/e/8aWp7wpRq>

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November - Maidenhead Christmas Lights**

**11am - 5.30pm**

**Outside Knead, St Ives Road**

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November - Christmas Fair**

**1pm - 5pm**

**Desborough Bowls Club**

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Sensory Bus**

**12 - 4pm**

**Outside Off the Tap, High Street**