

# Eton Porny C of E First School Newsletter 10 – Autumn Term 2

22nd November 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,

We were delighted to see so many of our families at parents evenings this week, its an invaluable opportunity to keep informed about your child's progress, attainment and attitude to their work and a chance to discuss any opportunities for improvement. Working in partnership with our parents is the key to a successful learning journey here at Eton Porny and the teachers really value the opportunity to talk to you all. We would love to get your feedback about how well we communicate with our school community and would appreciate you spending a few minutes completing the following survey to help us understand what is going well and where we can improve. <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/Hnit9KBm8p">https://forms.office.com/e/Hnit9KBm8p</a> Wishing you a lovely weekend, Emma Stanford-Smith (Headteacher)

#### **LEARNING SNAPSHOTS**

**Year 1** are still enjoying their Art lessons. The children enjoyed putting primary coloured paint onto a piece of paper. They then folded the paper to see what new colours they made when the colours mixed. In English, we have finished 'The Day The Crayons Quit' and have been making predictions about our new story 'Grandad's Island.' In Maths, the children have enjoyed learning about subtraction.

Ask me: What do I think Grandad's Island is about?

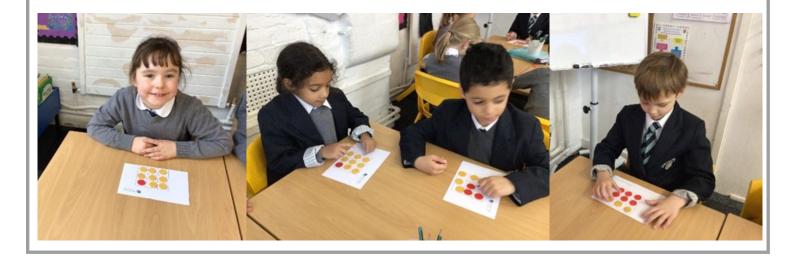






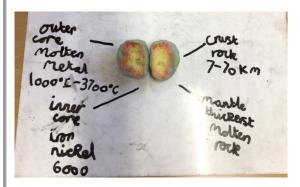
**Year 2** This week we have learnt about different compositions of the number 9. In art, we have produced some still art with a focus on everyday objects. In history, we have learnt about the famous activists Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King Jr.

Ask me: Why is Rosa parks significant?

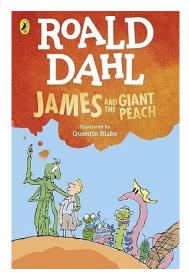


**Year 3** have really enjoyed reading the next section of James and the Giant Peach when James meets the insects inside the peach. They looked at strategies Roald Dahl used to build tension and tried to apply those to their own writing. In geography, they learnt about the layers of the Earth and created their own models to demonstrate this.

#### Ask me: What are tectonic plates?







Year 4 worked on forward and backward rolls in gymnastics as well as vaulting. They watched a clip of Simone Biles vaulting in the Olympics, to see how their own vaults were the building blocks of more complex routines. In English, Year 4 have enjoyed discussing Arthur's journey as he is set a very difficult mission. They have considered how the author used the illustrations to tell the story without words. In Mastering number, Year 4 have continued to build their Maths vocabulary. Finally, Year 4 have started their new science topic, SOUND. They enjoyed investigating volume, pitch and vibration.

#### Ask me: When one of the factors is zero, what is the product?



**Reception** have been learning about robots this week to support their Marvellous Machines project. We read the story No-bot, The Robot with No Bottom and the children had fun making predictions about what might happen in the story and as they became more familiar with it, were starting to join in as the story was read to them. We spent some time programming bee-bots and the children have enjoyed giving these robots different instructions to move around the carpet. They have also spent time designing their own robot and then had a go at making them using junk modelling materials.

### Ask me: How did you make your junk modelling robot?



#### **FORTHCOMING DATES**

29th November	Christmas Jumper Day—children to wear a Christmas jumper to school for informal Christmas class photo
3rd December	Year 3 Express Event at Antiquities Museum 2pm
4th December	Festive Wreath Making—See more information below in the Newsletter
9th December	Express event at 2:50 for years 1, 2, 4 and Reception
10th December	Pantomime at Theatre Royal Windsor for Year 1, 2, 3 and 4
12th December	Christingle Service at the Lower Chapel at 2:15

#### **ECO SQUAD**

A reminder that next week the children will be continuing the "Cut your Carbon challenge."

Other challenges the children have been asked to give a go are "Shower power" where you substitute 4 baths for 4 showers and limit them to 4 minutes.

Also "Buy nothing new" where you buy nothing new for 1 month.

### **PTA Fundraising Update**

The PTA are pleased to report that the Eton Christmas Lights Switch On Event (and the next day cake sale) resulted in a profit of £464.23 which is fantastic!

For those parents that donated a cake (or cake stand) your containers are opposite the school office, please do pick them up.

Earlier on in the term, the Spooky Disco was a great success, the children had a great time and the PTA made a profit of £193.

Thanks to the volunteers and the teachers who helped out at these events and of course to the parents who baked and bought cakes / disco tickets, we really appreciate your support. These profits will help to provide an enhanced environment for your children at school!





### **CELEBRATION**

The results of this week's celebration awards

#### **PUPIL OF THE WEEK**

Reception: Rosa

Year 1: Nico

Year 2: Jasleen

Year 3: Sienna

Year 4: Krisla

### ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Reception: Kamil and Ethan Year 1: Minsah and Gloria

Year 2: Emmery and Martha

Year 3: Oliver and Jacob

Year 4: Melissa and Zunnurain





### 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> EYFS Parent info 2:45 pm

### October

17th Express Eventallyears 250pm

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



# November

4th INSET day

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

8th Individual school photos

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

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 7-9 pm (Aduls only)

9<sup>th</sup> Express event R,1,2,4 250pm

10<sup>th</sup> Painto mime

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 250pm 14<sup>th</sup> INSET day

# March

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

26th Express event Y1-48.50am

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

### April

Swimming starts Year 3



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14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Grittleton, residential Y3 & 4 25<sup>rd</sup> Express event all years 250pm



### June

Sports day and summer fair TBC



# July

Transition day TBC

11<sup>th</sup> Express event all years 850am.

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

18th 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.