

# Eton Porny C of E First School Newsletter 11 – Autumn Term 2

29th 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,

This week as well as lots of exciting learning opportunities we had an external review with Kirstine Boone commissioned by SEBMAT. It was lovely to be able to showcase many areas of teaching and learning at Eton Porny. I look forward to sharing some feedback with you when we receive our report but what really came through on the day was how brilliant the learning opportunities are, how well zones of regulation has been taken on by the children and what a joy it is to be a part of our school community.

We are looking forward to sharing some of this half-term's learning with our parent community at our express events next week.

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

#### LEARNING SNAPSHOTS

**Year 1** have enjoyed reading 'Grandad's Island.' They have been thinking about what it would be like to travel on a boat to an island. They enjoyed building a boat and imagine sailing. They thought about what they would see, hear, feel and smell on a boat.

#### Ask me: For a description of a boat.



**Year 2** lesson this week in music, we used body percussion and instruments to copy the pulse in different pieces of music. In history, we started learning about Florence Nightingale and why she is significant. In English, we started reading Greta and the Giants and we compared this to our previous text, The Last Wolf.

#### Ask me: Why is Florence Nightingale significant?



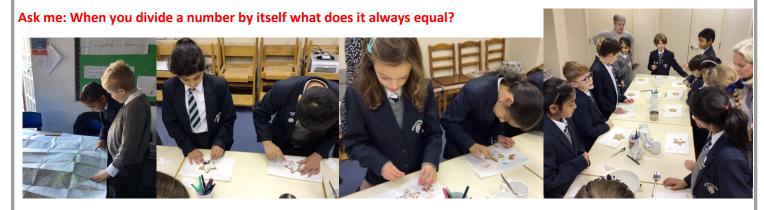


**Year 3** have worked hard on writing their own play scripts this week to create a scene from James and the Giant Peach. They performed them aloud to the rest of their class in small groups, working on their expression and intonation when reading aloud. During PSHE, they talked about bullying and also about how to support someone when they were upset—recording this on an outline of a hand. They also walked along the highstreet to see the effects of weather on the local environment for a geography lesson.

Ask me: What did you see on your walk that was affected by the weather?



Year 4 completed some map work in geography with both four figure and six figure grid references. In Maths, Year 4 have continued to work on their timetables and division skills. Having finished 'Arthur and the Golden Rope' Year 4 have enjoyed listening to and writing poetry. Finally, the highlight of the week was 'Christmas Unwrapped' at the local church. A huge thank you to the team at the church for putting on such a busy afternoon of activities.



**Reception** have completed their project Marvellous Machines. We read the story Rose Revere, Engineer and had fun exploring the machines Rosie created as well as having discussions about determination and not giving up even when your first attempt may not work. The children then had the opportunity to work as a team to design and then create their own marvellous machine. We had some lovely ideas and the children need to use their listening skills to ensure ideas from everyone were involved in their creation.



## **FORTHCOMING DATES**

3rd December	Year 3 Express Event at Antiquities Museum 2pm Parents can attend
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 Parents can attend
13th December	Pantomime coming in to School– Reception only
18th December	School Christmas Lunch- remember to book on School Money
20th December	School finishes at 1:15 for Christmas Break
6th January	Children return to School

## **Spiritual Spotlight**

On Wednesday the Year 4 children spent the afternoon at 'Christmas Unwrapped' at the church in Eton. They were entertained by a crazy professor, sang a rap, decorated cookies and got to pretend to be news reporters and interview many of the key members in the nativity story. We are so grateful to all of the adults who played their part in making the afternoon so special. It was also really nice to see Reverend Carol.



#### **SPARKLY GREEN**



## **CELEBRATION**

The results of this week's celebration awards



## **ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**

Reception: Octavia and Matilda Year 1: Sulemaan and Beauden

Year 2: Zoe and Raye

Year 3: Thomas and Zaynab

Year 4: Ilyana and Edward

### **PUPIL OF THE WEEK**

Reception: Nicky

Year 1: Kiyaan

Year 2: Aliza

Year 3: Muskaan

Year 4: Akira





## Roots and branches

Building the community together



Maidenhead PCN Roots and Branches proudly present a Children and Young People's seminar where you can come and talk to our CYP and Family Social Prescribers to build a profile of your child as supportive evidence for school/EHCP's and strategies and tools to help support those with neurodivergence or any challenges that may be arising in school or at home

Tuesday 17th December from 10-12

St Marks Hospital Maidenhead in the large conference room. (Head to the Courtyard café and a member of the team will meet you there)

If this is of interest, please respond to this poster via email with confirmation that you would like to attend to

be-pct.socialprescribing@nhs.net

If for any reason you cannot make this seminar, please give 48 hours 'notice so we can offer your place to another parent in the community.

We look forward to seeing you there

Roots and Branches (Maidenhead PCN)