



*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."*

READY - RESPECTFUL - RESPONSIBLE

Eton Porny C of E First School

Newsletter 18– Spring Term 1

30th January 2026

Dear Parents,

Next Friday, 6th February 2026, we will be holding our next Express Event. The theme for all year groups will be our new values, which are: respect, responsibility, kindness, resilience and joy.

All classes will be challenged to create a new 'logo' for each of these values with your support. The children will not yet have extensive knowledge of all of these values, but with time, these will become embedded.

You are invited to come into school with your child when you drop them off (between 8:40 and 8:50) and enjoy spending time getting creative with your child and talking about what the values mean to you and your family. School siblings will be together in the hall. The event will finish between 9 and 9:05.

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

LEARNING SNAPSHOTS

Year 1 have continued to enjoy gymnastics on Mondays. In topic lessons the children have been investigating London on the iPads. This is linked to the English story – Claude in the City. In Maths we have been doubling and Year 1 have really enjoyed the doubling game, they are very competitive.

Ask me: Name some London landmarks.



Year 2 started the week with gymnastics with Coach Ellie, they experimented with ways of moving whilst playing a game to score points for their team. They finished their coastline topic by considering what was special about Whitby and then started to learn about beach huts ready to construct their own model one next week. Year 2 also started their new book, secret of black rock and wrote descriptive sentences about the setting.

Ask me: What would you do if you visited Whitby?



Year 3 have had another busy week! In Maths, the children are learning about metres, centimetres and millimetres. They have been converting the different units, adding lengths and solving word problems. The children are still really enjoying *The Firework Maker's Daughter*. They have loved learning about how fireworks are made and have designed their own fireworks. In Topic, the children have continued their learning about volcanoes and have found learning about Pompeii really interesting! They have also learnt about earthquakes.

Ask me: How does an earthquake happen?



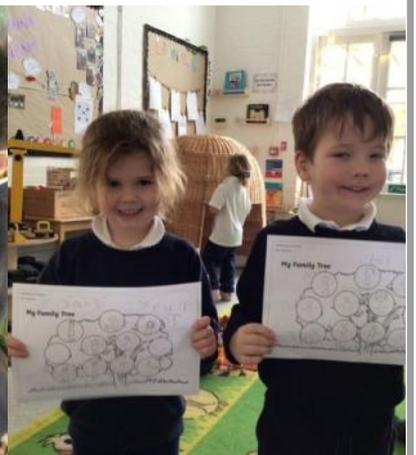
Year 4 have started to learn about the water cycle through some practical examples and drawing their own diagrams. They have also done a fantastic job of creating their own landscape art and have continued to demonstrate some great skills playing the glockenspiel. Also, the children have enjoyed learning how to perform the triple jump during our athletics lesson, and how to tackle from the opposition during hockey at Eton College. The class have also participated in some practical maths activities.

Ask me: How to do Triple jump



Reception have been finishing off their project *Long Ago* with the book focus *Major Glad, Major Dizzy*. In the book, two toy soldiers and dropped down the gaps in the floorboards in Victorian London and as the book goes on, so does time. We discussed World War 2 and the evacuation of children, the progression of transport from horse and carriage to now cars, and even how clothing has changed. The children enjoyed learning the term 'pantaloons' and found it odd that girls didn't wear trousers during Victorian times.

Ask me: What happened in the story Major Glad, Major Dizzy?



FORTHCOMING DATES

6th February	Express Event-All Years 8:50
12th February	Last day of term Children finish at 3:20
13th February	Whole School Inset Day
23rd February	Children return to school

Worship

This week Mrs Stanford-Smith spoke to the children about Thankfulness. Sia described it as 'being happy and grateful for what you have' and lots of children were able to name things they were thankful for including, friends, family, food and having a warm house.

We discussed how we could show that we were thankful and Reggie suggested 'giving someone a happy smile' there were also suggestions of writing a card, drawing a picture and saying thank-you.

The children then enjoyed singing 'If I were a butterfly' which further displayed the message of thankfulness.

The litter picking club is growing! We're very proud of you for looking after the environment!



Sparkly Green



CELEBRATION

The results of this week's celebration awards

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Reception: Solomon and Camilla
Year 1: Amelia-Grace and Yunus
Year 2: Sia and Kiyaan
Year 3: Jasleen and Arhum
Year 4: Jasmine and Thomas

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

Reception: Maximos
Year 1: Fajr
Year 2: Aaron
Year 3: Fraser
Year 4: Sienna

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

DONATIONS WANTED



We are currently on the lookout for donations of toys.

The items we are specifically looking for are:

TOY CARS/ VEHICLES

DOLLS

BARBIES

LITTLE PONYS

PLASTIC TEA SETS

DOLLS HOUSE

These must all be in good, use-able condition.

If you have any items you wish to donate then please drop them off to the School Office.

We really appreciate your help



Welcome to TINYTOWNE

A calm, welcoming play café for young children and their grown-ups

Tinytowne is a local children's play café in Eton, designed for families with babies and young children (from newborns to 6 years old).

We combine imaginative play, great coffee, and a relaxed, friendly environment, so parents can unwind while children explore, play and socialise.

Why families love Tinytowne:

- 🧸 Age-appropriate play zones for babies, toddlers and young children
- ☕ High-quality coffee & refreshments for parents
- 🍃 Clean, well-maintained, safe space
- 🕒 Bookable sessions to avoid overcrowding
- 🍰 Perfect for weekday outings, rainy days & after-school treats



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- 📍 7 High St, Eton
- 🌐 <https://tinytowne.co.uk>
- ✉ hello@tinytowne.co.uk



PARENTING CLINIC

RAISING RESILIENT KIDS

23 FEB

12.00 TO 12.30PM

HOSTED ON ZOOM

Come live or catch the replay

In this month's Free Parenting Clinic, we'll explore:

- The real difference between confidence and self-esteem (spoiler: they're not the same)
- Why "praise more" doesn't always build resilient kids
- How confidence is quietly shaped at home, every single day
- Practical, realistic ways to support your child to bounce back, believe in themselves, and try again

This isn't about raising loud, fearless children. It's about raising kids who trust themselves, cope with setbacks, and keep going when things wobble.

Join Anisa Lewis, Parenting Coach, for a relaxed, supportive 30-minute online talk, designed for busy parents who want tools that actually work in real family life.

Book your free place here:

<https://anisalewis.as.me/theclinic>

or email: hello@anisalewis.com for the booking link.



Is your child holding it together all day, only to fall apart where it's safe?

Or maybe they doubt themselves, avoid challenges, or give up quickly when things feel hard?

We talk about confidence a lot... but what does it actually mean for our children?



Anisa Lewis
Parenting Coach