



Eyrescroft Primary School



Newsletter March 2023

HAPPY EASTER

Another term has flown by and unbelievably we will soon be beginning the Summer Term! Although the Spring Term is the shortest in the school year, it has been incredibly busy. We've celebrated reading during World Book Week; thought about others whilst raising money for Red Nose Day; celebrated our creativity in our Royal Opera House Project's Mad Hatter's Tea Party and investigated change during Science Week. I hope you all have a peaceful end of term break with your friends, families and loved ones and look forward to seeing you back in school in April ... when Miss Dines also returns from her Maternity Leave.

FAREWELLS

At the end of this Spring Term, we bid a fond farewell to Mrs Green who teaches in Year 6. She is moving to another Peterborough school to further her career. We wish her every success and know how lucky her new school is to have her.

Ms Garnham has decided to hang up her coat as a midday supervisor after several years. You will continue to see her around school, however, as she will still be supervising at Breakfast Club and actively supporting the PTA.

RED NOSE DAY

On Friday, 17th March, we celebrated Red Nose Day. We raised an amazing £208.41. Thank you to everyone who donated.



ATTENDANCE

Overall attendance in school is 93.17%. Well done to 5KE who have the best attendance (96.33%) since the start of the academic year. There have been 123 occurrences of late arrivals at school since the start of the academic year. Please ensure that your child gets to school on time. As part of raising awareness about your child's attendance, we will send you a letter. If you would like to discuss this or any other attendance concerns please arrange to speak to Mrs Sibthorpe via the school office. Good attendance is vital in ensuring your child achieves well in school. Good attendance is considered to be at least 96%. We do understand that illness can't be avoided but where possible please do send your child to school when they are well enough to do so. Please also make appointments for dentists, doctors and opticians outside of the school day if possible.

HAPPY CHICKS



10 eggs arrived in school so that the children could once again learn about new life and see for themselves how some animals come into the world. This time we had 5 boys and 5 girls. A big thank you to our PTA for raising funds to pay for the chicks. Also well done to the children that won the 'Name the Chick' competition.

PTA EASTER COMPETITIONS

Thank you for all of the entries for the PTA Easter competitions. Well done to all the winners.

THANK YOU

A big thank you to Tesco Extra Serpentine Green, Planet Ice, FlipOut and Fryz Bretton Centre for their kind donations of prizes for our Easter raffle.

WORLD BOOK WEEK



This month, everyone in school took part in World Book Week. As always, the focus was very much on reading. Collectively we enjoyed the story of *The Barnabus Project* by the Fan Brothers. Everyone was included in discussions about the main character, his situation and what we thought about his story. Across the school, we paired up to read, make recommendations and share our favourite books with others.





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MAD HATTER'S TEA PARTY



Year 4 have been working with the Royal Opera House on a project designing a set for 'Alice in Wonderland'. We explored what ballet is and thought about how the music made us feel. We then created moodboards to help us with our final pieces. On Friday, 17th March, we attended 'A Mad Hatter's Tea Party' to celebrate our hard work. In the morning, we worked with some ballerinas to learn a dance. In the afternoon, we worked with some designers to create our own Mad Hatter's hat. At lunchtime, we had our own tea party!

END OF KEY STAGE TWO ASSESSMENTS

Thank you to all of those parents who attended the information event about End of Key Stage Two Assessments (SATs). If you were unable to attend, we have shared the key points on our [website](#). These tests take place nationally from the 9th - 12th May.

CLUBS

All clubs finish in the week beginning 27th March. We will send out information for Summer Term Football, Multi-sports and Dance Club after Easter.

SCIENCE WEEK

Science week started off with a visit from the amazing Atomic Tom who blew the kids away! All the children were engaged in this very interactive assembly where properties of air were investigated with various experiments. The hall was a buzz of activity and excitement and the children were left in awe.

Throughout the week, all year groups engaged and worked scientifically, investigating the theme of "Connections" in their various Science topics. The children had fun learning and have produced some great work.

ROCKSTEADY CONCERT

We enjoyed another end of term Rocksteady Concert courtesy of our school rock bands. These consist of children from Year 2 to Year 6, playing different instruments and leading on vocals. Each week, they practise with Laura - an experienced (and very enthusiastic!) band leader. There is a charge for the tuition. If your child is interested and would like to find out more, please contact the school office.

TEFAT ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS AND CARERS

Please click on the [link here](#) to see the TEFAT annual report to parents and carers.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Eyrescroft Community Council was established in September of this academic year and we are delighted to have welcomed councillors from the parent body, staff and community. The Council is a much valued group of volunteers that play a crucial role in our school offering challenging but positive and proactive support to the Principal and Senior Leadership team on behalf of the children and community that the school serves. So far the focus has been on safeguarding, including training to develop their understanding; understanding the curriculum offered and visits in school to look at maths, geography and phonics.

If you are interested in joining our Community Council, please speak to the school office.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

31st March - Professional Training Day - School closed
3rd - 14th April - Easter Holidays
17th April - Summer Term begins
1st May - Early May Bank Holiday (school closed)
8th May - King's Coronation Bank Holiday (school closed)
9th-12th May - Year 6 SATs
29th May - 2nd June - Half Term
19th-22nd June - Year 6 Residential

