



# Eyrescroft Primary School



## Newsletter May 2023

### HELLO FROM MISS DINES

I have returned this week and cannot express how lovely it is to be back. The children, staff and parents have made me feel so welcome and missed. Thank you. If I have not seen you yet, I look forward to seeing you at some point next half term.

### HAPPY HALF-TERM

I can't believe how quickly this year is flying by and that we'll soon be heading into June! Everyone across the school has been engaged in learning about all sorts of topics, from minibeasts to farming, volcanoes to identity. We've had lots of visitors this term who have commented on how focused everyone is and how lovely it is to see the results of this displayed around our environment. Our Year 6 and Year 2 children have worked incredibly hard completing their end of key stage assessments (SATs) and across the school, you can really see the progress children have made since they started the year in September. Hopefully the half-term is filled with sunshine! I hope you enjoy a week together with your families and friends.

### YEAR 6 SATS

We would like to congratulate the Year 6 children on completing their SATs. The children have worked really hard to prepare for these tests and have shown determination and a positive attitude throughout the week. While the learning doesn't stop, we're looking forward to enjoying a range of diverse activities and learning opportunities with the children now that the tests are out of the way. We would also like to

thank all the parents and carers who have supported their children this year, in getting ready for the SATs and to all of the staff within the school who helped with the administration of the tests. And of course, we would like to say a really big thank you to the kitchen staff, who put on such a fantastic breakfast for the children during test week.

### RELATIONSHIPS, SEX & HEALTH EDUCATION

After half-term, children will commence learning about 'Relationships, Sex and Health Education'. Teaching and learning of RSE at Eyrescroft is carefully tailored to the age and needs of the children. Please see the link [to the policy](#) on our website which includes an overview of what the children will be taught each year and the scheme for which we use to teach this.

You have the right to withdraw your child from the elements of RSE which are not included in the National Curriculum for Science. Please contact your child's class teacher if you would like to discuss this or if you would like to discuss any issues relating to our work on RSE, or to find out more about the lessons.

### EYFS WILD SCIENCE

This half term in EYFS, we have been learning all about minibeasts and we were lucky enough to have a visit from 'Wild Science' who came in to run a workshop for all the children. We had the opportunity to get up close to some real live minibeasts which included a cockroach, a giant snail, a millipede and even a tarantula called Izzie! This

workshop enabled the children to complete some really great writing tasks in the classroom about their experiences.

### KING CHARLES III CORONATION

As part of celebrations for the coronation of King Charles III, Eyrescroft held a 'Royal Bake Off', we were overwhelmed at the cakes that were made. Congratulations to all of the winners who received a certificate and a commemorative tin of biscuits. All of the cakes were sold to raise money for the PTA, a total of £297 was raised. The school council also organised a 'Design your own crown' competition, all of the crowns that were made were spectacular and judging was very difficult! The winners received a paint your own money box, which were kindly donated by the PTA.



Well done to all of our winners!



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### YEAR 5 SACREWELL FARM

Year 5 have enjoyed their visit to Sacrewell Farm to help us with our topic 'Sow, Grow and Farm'. We learnt about the different crops that are grown, as well as new life on the farm. We went to see the lambs and then out onto the field to feed the sheep! Year 5 also enjoyed a tractor ride around the farm where we saw the orchard and the reservoir.

### YEAR 4 HISTORY OFF THE PAGE

Year 4 enjoyed 'A day in the life of a Viking', we spent our morning in a Viking village trying out lots of crafts, such as making our own ink and designing our own pottery. In the afternoon, we were archeologists, carefully excavating the same village 1400 years later, and discussing our finds. We had a fantastic day!

### FOOD PARCELS

After half-term, we will be offering food parcels once every two weeks. We will still receive deliveries every week but due to the number of requests we have made the decision to group requests into group A and group B. Group A will receive a parcel the first week back after half-term and group B will receive a parcel the second week back and we will continue to alternate the deliveries until the summer holidays.

If you usually request a parcel, you will have been advised whether you are group A or group B. If anyone has any questions concerning food parcels or wishes to request a parcel (if you don't normally have one), please speak to the school office.

### EASYFUNDRAISING



#### Did you know you can help raise funds for our school PTA whenever you shop online?

Just by accessing your chosen online retailers via the Easyfundraising app, you can raise funds that go directly to our PTA. There are so many big brands available through the app, i.e. Amazon, Sainsbury's, Asda, H&M, ASOS, Dunelm, Nike, JD sports, Boots, EBay, just to name a few. These retailers give 1-13% of your shopping total back to our PTA. And it's not just retailers, you can even book your holiday with TUI or Booking.com and providing you've accessed their websites via the Easyfundraising app, we will benefit. It's an incredible resource which costs you nothing but can help raise amazing funds for our PTA. All you need to do is:

- Go to the App Store and download the 'Easyfundraising' app.
- Click sign up to find a cause to support.
- Type 'Friends of Eyrescroft school' in the search bar.
- Click sign up and support.

Once you've signed up, you just need to remember to access your favourite websites through the app.

### CAR PARK

Please can we remind you not to drive into the car under any circumstances. Parking is strictly for staff and visitors only.

### THINKING ABOUT MAKING A CHANGE?



Have you ever thought about being a Foster Carer to children who can't live with their families? Ever thought to yourself 'I'd love to care for a child' but then wondered how this would fit with your work commitments? Are you held back by thoughts of doubt that you could be a Foster Carer?

There are children and young people who need a loving home, and you could be just what they need. If you would like more information about becoming a Foster Carer or know someone who could offer a safe, secure and loving home then please get in touch on: 0800 052 0078 or email

[fosteringmarketing@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:fosteringmarketing@cambridgeshire.gov.uk) or visit

[www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/fostering](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/fostering)

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**29th May - 2nd June** - Half-Term  
**19th-22nd June** - Year 6

Residential

**3rd July** - Sports day

**19th July** -

Last day of the Summer Term

