

Eynesbury Echo -20 December 2024 - End of Autumn term 2024

'Love to Learn, Learn to Love'
#courage #forgiveness #respect

#love #honesty

Mrs Brown's bit...time to reflect!

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Our school continues to go from strength to strength! The children have worked hard and have continued to make progress in all aspects of their learning. Visitors speak highly about Eynesbury, our children and all it has to offer. Simply wonderful! We have had some brilliant, busy times in the past few weeks. These types of events have made some magical memories for our children, for our families and our staff.

As we head into the final few days our attention turns to Spring term. Plans are already afoot for our return. We will be welcoming you all into school for face to face parent consultations, a maths morning and we will continue our progress drive and making the most of every minute to be independent and ambitious, thriving on thinking hard!

Christmas brings an opportunity for us all to spend time with our families and friends, to rest, relax and recharge in preparation for 2025 and all that it brings.

On behalf of the children, staff and Governing Body, I wish you all a very Merry Christmas!

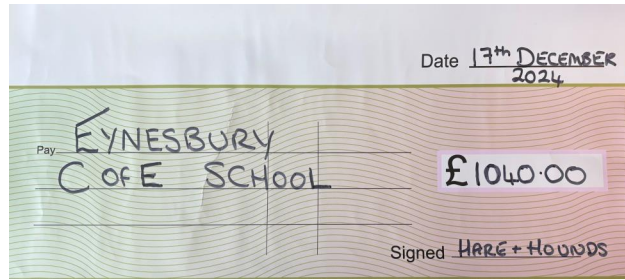




This Week's Eynesbury's Eight!



- Our music concert showcasing our young musicians talents was well attended! Well done to all of our young performers and huge thanks to Miss Adams for organising the afternoon.
- Key stage One and our Early Years children performed to their parents. It was lovely to see the joy on our families faces! Making memories is most important!
- Our pantomime visit was a roaring success and was enjoyed by everyone!
- We spent a wonderful hour in Church at our annual Christmas service. The church was brimming with people, the children sang beautifully and Year 6 and Year R retold the Christmas story beautifully!
- We received a cheque from the customers at the Hare and Hound! Thank you so much...it will be spent wisely on our children!
- Year 5 sang at the community centre this morning and brought a tear to the eyes of the guests who were enjoying a festive lunch.
- Our Early Years advisor visited Pre-School and Reception and met with Mrs Cummings and her team. The Note of Visit highly commended the Early Years team and their daily offer to our children! Early years...it's where the magic happens!
- Mr Pritchard took a team of budding Year 4 and 5 footballers to another local school for a match! Resilience, teamwork and competitive spirit were the order of the afternoon! Thank you for representing our school!



News from EYFS

During the second half of the Autumn Term we turned our attention to Dark and Light in the EYFS. We learnt about Festivals of light such as Bonfire night and Diwali. Carle Class created firework pictures and Inkpen made lamps. Both classes discussed safety at this time of year, and we looked back in time to find out why we celebrate in this way.

Reception learnt all about space, and this years class were very interested in stars and constellations. Carle class based their learning around the book Room on the Broom, exploring rhyme and potions!

Of course all the usual and important learning of Phonics, reading, writing and maths has been taking place too. Reception have already completed Phase 2 Phonics and are progressing well through Phase 3. We are so proud to observe their strong love of writing already. Carle class are enjoying Phase 1 phonics activities that embed listening skills.

Carle class have developed their independence and impressed us as they can already put on their own coats and many can do up their own zips too!

As we approach Christmas, we can see how much the children have learnt and grown. They have wonderful learning behaviours and characteristics of effective learning. They were fantastic during the Christmas Performances to their families and have created wonderful memories too!

News from Year 1

It has been a very busy half term for year 1, the highlight being our key stage 1 production which was a huge success, all the children spoke and sang beautifully and our audience were full of compliments of their performance. We have also been on very exciting trips to the cinema and the pantomime which was very exciting!

We have really enjoyed our learning in DT which included making windmills and our science lessons where we have been experimenting on materials. Our English and maths skills have

progressed a lot and we have been working hard on addition and subtraction and will continue to recap this in January. We have also been writing the story of Pinocchio and the children have practised a lot of proof reading to spot my mistakes as well as their own. In history we have understood what chronology means and even created our own timelines and in PD we have learnt about what it means to be safe.

It has been a fun filled half term and I wish you all a lovely Christmas break ready to go again in January!



News from Year 2

This term has been a long one, but, 'WOW' we've done so much! We've learnt about the Great Fire of London and become London rats to write a diary, as though we were there at the time. The language skills we have used to describe the fire and how it ripped through London were fantastic! We made Ferris wheels, in Design Technology, which included the frame, the axle and the pods. Then to finish the term we performed an amazing version of the nativity in The Inn Crowd! We are so proud of you all!

We would also like to thank the class for the extra effort in planting lots of trees for our forest area- great job, everyone! Have a wonderful Christmas.

See you in 2025 for more fun and learning with Mrs Ginnetta and Mrs Sims!



News from Year 3

It has been all systems go in Dahl class this half term! In Geography, the children have been learning all about 'Mountains, Volcanoes and Earthquakes' and have loved it! The children enjoyed learning about the Earth's tectonic plates, shield and stratovolcanoes, magma chambers and fold mountains. We definitely have some budding geologists in the making in Year 3!

In English, the children have been on a journey to the centre of the Earth! On their way, they have been busily writing a non-chronological report all about what is under your feet. In addition, they have written instructions on how to make a snowflake – well done!

In Science, the children have been exploring rocks and it has been investigations galore! They have dived deeper into sedimentary rock formation and made a poster outlining the process of deposition, compaction and cementation. They have made metamorphic rock from milk, dark and white chocolate (and ate it), creating the pressure and heat from the Earth with their hands. In addition, the children have investigated crystal formation in igneous rock using alum solution, ice and cotton wool. We are still awaiting the results.

In Maths, the children have tackled multiplication and division focussing on the 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8 times tables, phew! The children used a range of methods such as number lines, manipulatives and bar models as well as mental calculation. At times, they needed to flex their learning powers; however, they did it, so well done and be proud! This unit will continue in the spring term.

As a class, we are looking forward to all the exciting learning opportunities ahead.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

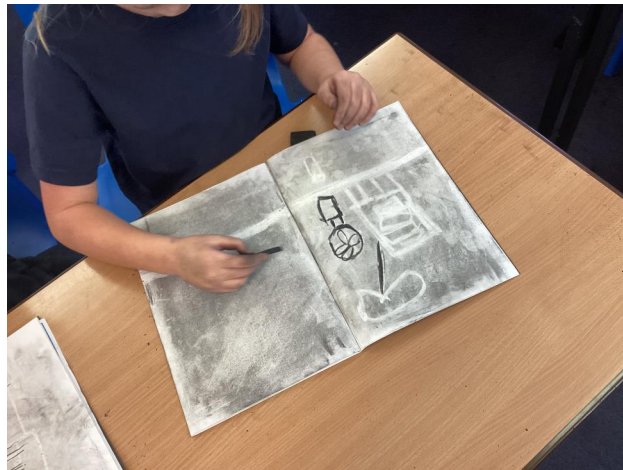
News from Year 4

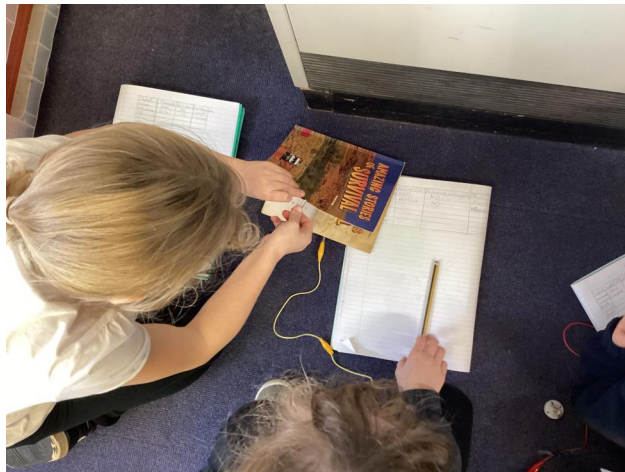
It has been a busy half term in year 4 with lots of learning, lots of experiences and lots of memories being made. We all enjoyed writing our Christmas writing piece writing instructions on how to make a paper snowflake. Our maths learning has stepped up and we are working really hard on learning all our times table facts up to 12x12.

Our science topic this half term has been Electricity. We have thoroughly enjoyed exploring circuits with different components and conducted an investigation about electrical conductors and insulators.

We have looked at why Jesus is considered a saviour in RE and have explored the links to the Christmas story and thought about some Christmas carols that portray Jesus as a saviour. In French, we have been learning words for clothes and have explored how to express an opinion on an outfit. Our art topic developed our drawing skills, focusing on a different medium every week – our favourite was definitely creating our own Christmas scratch art pieces.

We also have experienced many extra-curricular activities like going to the cinema and going to the theatre to watch a pantomime. We have worked extremely hard since starting year 4 and are ready for the Christmas holidays to recharge and be back in January to continue our brilliant start!





News from Year 5

This half term, year 5 have continued to be resilient, resourceful, reciprocal and reflective learners both at school and at home. We have worked on the skills related to supporting one

another and have made fantastic progress when working collaboratively within groups or as an entire class. As we have approached the festive season, we have considered what we are thankful for and are looking forward to once the break arrives. A highlight of the half term has been learning and performing our collective worship to our parents, family and friends during this half term. We have also thoroughly enjoyed completing 'Brain Buddies' sessions each week, which have really supported us in understanding ourselves, our emotions and our relationships.

Throughout the entire half term, we have continued to develop our understanding of number operations and fractions within maths, our maths learning has been a huge focus this half term and our progress in this area speaks for itself! Within English, we have had the opportunity to write non-fiction texts, we are now experts on all things Antarctica! We have been thoughtful and considerate learners within our history lessons, particularly when developing our understanding of slavery and how this affected the Benin people.

Recently, we have enjoyed preparing for Christmas and the sense of fun and togetherness this has brought to our learning and class. We are all ready to relax and spend time with our families during the Christmas break- we can't wait to return to school recharged and ready to learn again in the New Year!

News from Year 6

It's been an exciting half term and a busy one too. We started our half term off with an adventure to Hilltop. We amazed not only the staff who accompanied us but ourselves too with our achievements and the challenges we overcame. From the Big Zipper to the Super Swing; we conquered them all.

Since we have returned it has been full steam ahead with our autumn term learning. We have written a newspaper report and a set of instructions. As always, we have been focusing on the Year 6 expectations for writing, including the use of punctuation such as the semicolon and the colon; and we have focused on adding description using showing not telling sentences.

Our Maths learning has seen us face our nemesis: fractions. We are growing in confidence every day and we have learnt how to add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions. This is something we will continue to practise as the year continues.

We have particularly enjoyed our history unit this half term which has been World War 1 and World War 2. We have developed our historian skills and have investigated the cause of both wars using a variety of evidence from sources and we have discussed our opinions on whether these wars were necessary or could have been avoided. We have amazed each other with the facts we know about this topic.

This half term has also seen us finding the calories in crisps by setting them alight; learning how to use the sewing machine when making our waistcoats; diving deeper into the causes of bullying and how to prevent this; learning the meaning of Christingle and making our very own Christingle candle; and investigating the effects of exercise on our bodies.

Another busy half term full of achievements and delights and we look forward to what the Spring term may have in store for us.

Tesco- post your blue tokens! Thank you! **WE ARE LIVE!**

Our Tesco Stronger Start application has been successful and our project will be put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores. Voting will commence in store from the first week in October 2024 until mid January 2025. Our project is to improve provision in the outdoor areas. Thank you for your support!

Stores which will vote on our project are:

- St Neots Extra
- St Neots Loves Fm Express
- Eaton Socon Express Small



New to Reception 2025 and new to Pre-school 2024 tours

Please share with friends and families our dates for the future new children of Eynesbury School.
Please ring the school office to visit our school.

Eynesbury Church of England Primary School



NEW ENTRANTS VISITS FOR FAMILIES
OF CHILDREN STARTING SCHOOL IN
SEPTEMBER 2025



Wednesday 25th September 2024
Wednesday 9th October 2024
Wednesday 13th November 2024
Wednesday 11th December 2024
Wednesday 8th January 2025
Visits will take place at 9.30am

PLEASE EMAIL
office@eynesbury.cambs.sch.uk
OR RING 01480 398028 to join
us for a visit!

ALL VISITS TO SCHOOL WILL TAKE PLACE SCHOOL HOURS.
WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME YOU TO EYNESBURY!

Eynesbury Church of England Pre -School



Wednesday 25th September 2024
Wednesday 9th October 2024
Wednesday 13th November 2024
Wednesday 11th December 2024
Wednesday 8th January 2025
Visits will take place at 9.30am

PLEASE EMAIL:
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RING 01480 398028 to make a
visit to us!

WE HAVE SPACES FOR CHILDREN TO
START PRE-SCHOOL IN JANUARY,
APRIL AND SEPTEMBER 2025



Reading...please support us!

Reading is the doorway to the world, our children will be able to access everything if they become fluent readers. As a school we are continuing to work hard to develop a great love of reading and a reading culture in our school.

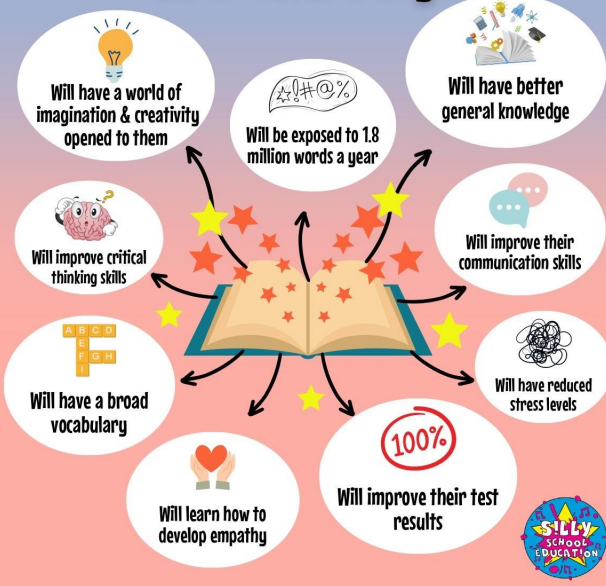
With your support of hearing your child read daily, we can create a generation of strong readers. Please can you also ensure your children brings their reading diary/log book to school daily. Thank you!



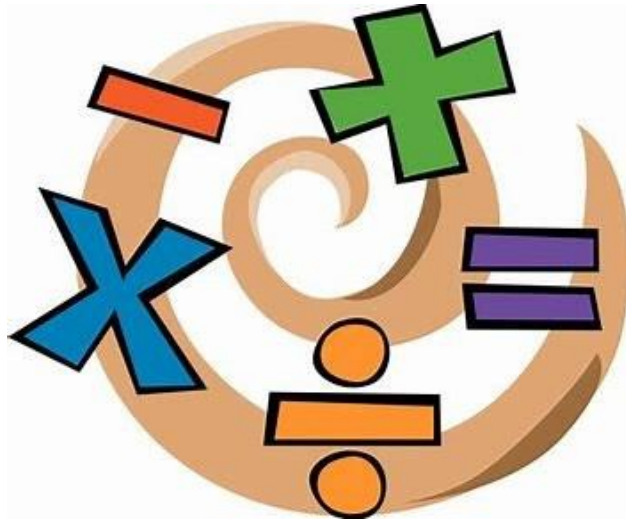
"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." -Dr Seuss

20 is plenty!

Children who read for 20 minutes a day...



Our mathematicians of the week are: Eric and max in Year 3 - both loving the challenges that are being set.



Our authors of the week are: the whole school for completing their independent writing that you have produced.

Author of the Week

Who rose to the challenge this week? Tristan - well done for rising to all the different challengers this week. We are very proud of you!



Our 5R Superheroes #respectfulness #resourcefulness #resilience #reflectiveness # reciprocity

RESILIENCE SUPERHERO

Harry - Year 3

Henry - Year 2

Sienna - Year 5

Gabby - Year 4

Reception class

RECIPROCITY SUPERHERO

Year 6 and Year R - working together so well

RESOURCEFULNESS SUPERHERO

Tilly - Year 5

RESPECTFULNESS SUPERHERO

Evelyn- Year 4

REFLECTIVENESS SUPERHERO

Elysia - Year 6

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

Mrs Foster!

Whole school attendance this term 96.0%



Congratulations, our attendance award winners are Year 5 and 6! Well done to you all!

Reception - 93.6%

Year 1 - 94.3%

Year 2 -92.1%

Year 3 - 95.9%

Year 4 - 95.6%

Year 5 - 96.5%

Year 6 - 96.5%

Safeguarding at Eynesbury



Staff Safeguarding has focused on:

- Single Central Record check and Safeguard Governor Visit
- Safer Recruitment

Pupil Safeguarding has focused on:

- Online Safety
- Health and Safety reminders for the Panto visit

Eynesbury PTA news



Please see the diary section for new and exciting dates.

The PTA are encouraging us all to sign up to Easyfundraising! Easyfundraising partners with over 7,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. It won't cost you any extra. The cost is covered by the brand. Please continue to support our school by doing online shopping via easyfundraising so that we can continue to add to our fundraising efforts!

Please follow: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/qml24g/>



The image displays the Easyfundraising.org.uk logo at the top, featuring the text "easyfundraising" in a large, bold, blue font and ".org.uk" in a smaller, black font. Below the logo is a grid of various partner brand logos, including Argos, eBay, Amazon.co.uk, LOVEFILM, DELL, LAKELAND, Groupon, John Lewis, Toys R Us, and Viking Borden. The bottom section of the image is a promotional banner with a yellow background. It features a central illustration of a hand dropping gold coins into a green shopping basket. Surrounding the basket are logos for ASOS, eBay, amazon.co.uk, Booking.com, Viking, TalkTalk, Sainsbury's, and John Lewis. At the bottom of the banner, the text reads "Shop online. Raise donations. For free."



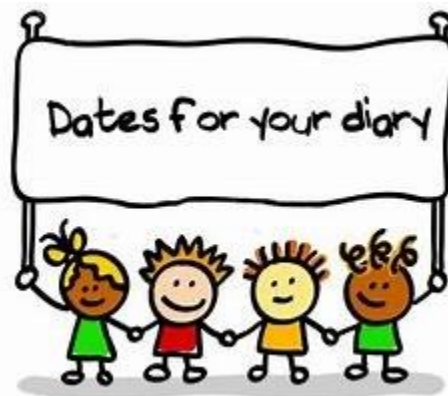
We value your support!

We ask that you listen to your child read daily, help them learn to spell correctly, calculate efficiently and 'making the most of every minute to be independent and ambitious' whilst they are in school!

We would also value your feedback on Parent View - [Welcome to Ofsted Parent View | Ofsted Parent View](#)



PRE -SCHOOL DIARY DATES



SHORT TERM DATES (new dates are in bold)

December 2024 -

- Friday 20th Christmas Jumper Day
- Friday 20th December - End of Autumn term

January 2025 -

- Tuesday 7th January 2025 - Pre-school closed to carry out new January home visits

- Wednesday 8th January 2025- Existing children return to Pre-school
- Monday 13th January 2025- New children start settling in hours for 2 weeks
- **Friday 31st January - PTA Quiz night**

February 2025 -

- **Friday 14th February - School closes for half term**
- **Monday 23rd February - School re-opens for Spring B**

YEARS R - 6 DIARY DATES



REGULAR DATES

Every Friday @9.00am – Celebrations in the school hall

SHORT TERM DATES

December 2024 -

- Friday 20th Christmas Jumper Day
- Friday 20th December - End of Autumn term

January 2025 -

- Monday 6th January - Training Day
- Tuesday 7th January - School opens Spring A for Years R - 6
- **Wednesday 15th January - Maths morning for parents**
- **Friday 17th January - Young Voices concert**

- Wednesday 29th January - Parent Consultations (1) - further information to follow
- Friday 31st January - PTA Quiz night

February 2025 -

- Friday 14th February - School closes for half term
- Monday 23rd February - School re-opens for Spring B
- Wednesday 26th February - Parent Consultations (2) - further information to follow

Term dates 2024 - 2025

Eynesbury Church of England Primary School Term dates 2024 - 2025																					
School Closed												School Open									
School Holiday				Bank Holiday				Staff Training Day				Pupil Day									
September 2024				October 2024				November 2024				December 2024									
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The school will be closed for 5 training days in accordance with Teachers' Conditions of Service (26th October 2023, 6th January 2025, 22nd April 2025, and 23rd May 2025, 2nd June 2025) The school will be closed for 66 days for school holidays (including Bank holidays). This does not include weekends.

OFFICE, SUPPORT AND COMMUNITY UPDATES!



Any family issues, upsets or concerns? IN THE FIRST INSTANCE PLEASE CONTACT YOUR CHILD'S CLASSTEACHER – they will be able to signpost you to a Family Support Worker **OR** email charlotte.dean@cambridgeshire.gov.uk Any questions or concerns around SEND (Special Educational Needs or Disabilities)? Email: SHammond@eynesbury.cambs.sch.uk

****STOP PRESS****



Updated information

Please ensure your children's information is correct and all of your contact details are correct so that we can ensure our system is up to date. Thank you for your support!

Getting in touch



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