

EYE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER



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GROW AWARD

We had a fantastic start to the new term in our celebration collective worships this week. Well done to all of the children who received the GROWth award this week.



Key Stage 1 GROWth award winners: Erin, Francesca, Theo, Rio and Toby.



Key Stage 2 GROWth award winners: Luna, Isabella, Tommy, Oscar, Eva, Evie, Theo and Oliver.

ATTENDANCE (%)

W/C: 16/12/24 TO 20/12/24

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS 89.74%

Badgers	94%
Squirrels	87.93%
Chimps	98.00%
Hedgehogs	71.03%
Dolphins	91.88%
Foxes	88%
Giraffes	84.84%
Jaguars	95.16%
Koalas	89.05%
Lemurs	89.22%
Meerkats	93.44%
Sharks	92.33%
Tigers	81.79%
Wombats	90.33%
Zebras	89.67%



2025

Happy New Year! It has been lovely to welcome back all of our children and families this week at the start of 2025. The children have returned to learning with excellent attitudes and have been working hard to be excellent role models of our GROW standards.

UPCOMING KEY DATES

January

13th- Clubs resume

17th- Level 1 Bikeability

31st- Level 3 Bikeability

February

14th- Children's last day of half term

17th-21st- Half term holiday

March

WB 3rd- Spring Term TLC Week

7th- World Book Day celebrations in school including author visit.

11th and 12th- APDR Meeting afternoons

April

1st- Rocksteady Concert to parents

3rd- Rocksteady Concert to parents



A NEW MUSICAL JOURNEY

This week, some of the classes in years 3, 4 and 5 have begun to learn to play the ukulele as part of our music curriculum. After a successful term in the Autumn, playing the glockenspiels to explore music from South Africa, we have whizzed across the pond to Central America looking at Latin American music. We have looked at how this music is inspired by the melodies and lyrics from Spain and the rhythms from West Africa.

Our new class set of colourful ukuleles means that, over the next few weeks, children will be learning two chords to play along to the song 'Latin Dance'.

The children can now talk about the different parts of the ukulele and did an excellent job at learning to hold the instrument as well as practising strumming.

Next week, we will start to explore how to play the notes and chords.



NEWS FROM THE FOREST

Welcome back to the forest!

This week we have had new classes in the forest so it's been nice to explore again and have a look at how our forest has changed through the winter season

It has been very cold so we have been doing our warm up songs. We have been working together to construct a forest school pirate ship and each class has used the resources around them to add to the ship. It's been nice to see each year group's ideas.

As it is super cold and damp at the minute outside, which is great for our experiences in the forest, we need to make sure we have the right clothing on. A reminder that our winter forest school kit list is: a change of shoes or wellies, rainsuit (this allows children to access all areas) or warm and waterproof coat, change of trousers, jumper, spare socks, gloves, hat, scarves and a plastic bag to put the dirty clothes in to take home.





PRESCHOOL NEWS

Caterpillars Class

This week in Caterpillars we have been discussing the weather and the effects it has on us, such as feeling hot and cold, and how we would dress for this. The children created their own pictures by gluing on clothing they feel necessary for the cold weather such as hats, scarfs, boots, jacket etc. During group time, we explored 'The Gruffalo's Child' story which led us to explore shadows. Luckily, we had some sunshine on Thursday which allowed us to create our own shadows in the garden! We used descriptive language such as big and little to describe our shadows and used different body parts to make different shadows.



Butterflies Class

It has been lovely to welcome the children back to Preschool, hearing all about their Christmas adventures and seeing them be reunited with their friends. This week, we have introduced the children to our current focus on Winter, where we are exploring the seasonal changes that take place. The children have been practicing their letter formation whilst creating name snowmen, and they have used their fine motor skills to create some wonderful beaded, pipe cleaner snowflakes. The children have been showing curiosity whilst exploring the effects that the cold weather has had on the outside environment, and they have taken part in discussions on the suitable types of clothing which are required for during this time of the year. The children have seemed to thoroughly enjoy using paint to mark make on large trays of ice this week. They have also had a lot of fun whilst practicing their hand eye coordination during 'snowball' target games outside.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

At the end of last term, Year 6 made the collective decision to create birthday cards instead of Christmas cards... for a very good reason! We found out that a wonderful lady called Elsie was about to turn 104 years old. Elsie also happens to be the Great Grandma of one of our pupils, Phoebe, so we thought it would be a lovely surprise to create a hamper from everyone in Year 6 for Phoebe to hand deliver to her on her special day. The hamper contained a card from every child in the year group, plus some added goodies! Here's a photo of Phoebe and Elsie with her birthday gift and a selection of some of the birthday cards created for her. Happy 104th birthday, Elsie!



MATHS MAGIC!



Huge congratulations to Lukas who has completed the whole of the NumBots platform. Lukas has worked so hard to complete this and enjoyed a celebratory lunch with Mr Webster today.

His next goal is to become a Rock Hero on Times Table Rockstars and beat our Maths lead, Miss Canham!