



Eyrescroft Primary School

Inspire. Achieve. Celebrate.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are looking forward to seeing our parents and carers next **Friday 23rd October 2015 1:45-2:45pm** for an 'Autumn Craft' open afternoon at our school. During this time you will have the opportunity to visit the classrooms, meet our staff and enjoy taking part in some craft activities with your children. We are very proud of our community at Eyrescroft Primary School and the education that we provide for the children. We hope you will experience this when you visit.

If any parents or carers are interested in joining our 'Friends of Eyrescroft School' Committee (FOES), please come along to a meeting **2:45-3:15pm** straight after the open event on **Friday 23rd October 2015**. Tea and coffee and biscuits will be on offer! Please come to the main hall at 2:45pm.

With Halloween approaching, parents and children are starting to plan their costumes. The potential dangers of children's fancy dress costumes hit the headlines last year when TV presenter Claudia Winkleman's daughter was badly burned. Experts say costumes should only be bought from reputable sources, particularly when buying online, and that consumers should check that the product bears a CE mark. We will be talking to the children to remind them of staying safe during Halloween and Bonfire night. For more information see: <http://www.bonfire-night-safety.co.uk/>

HARRY POTTER WARNER BROS. STUDIOS

The Year 5 children and staff were treated to a special visit on Thursday this week when they visited the Harry Potter Warner Bros. Studios in Watford. They stepped onto the authentic sets and relived the magic through the eyes of the filmmakers who brought the Harry Potter film series to life.

Mitchell from Wren Class wanted to share his experience with you.

"It was an amazing day. It was good to look at the models and props of the films to help us understand the stories of Harry Potter better. Being there brought the story to life. I really liked the creature section. We saw masks and models of characters like Dobby and Dumbledore's Phoenix. Walking through the set of Diagon Alley was such a great experience. It felt like you were really there. We had a task to find golden snitches and stamps throughout the day. The model of Hogwart's at the end of the tour was outstanding and breath-taking.

I am really pleased we went as it was such a memorable day".



ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS THIS WEEK

'Good Worker' Award

- Year 1 Lark - Scarlett
- Year 1 Dove - Evelina
- Year 2 Nightingale - Kate
- Year 2 Swallow - Rhys
- Year 3 Kestrel - Nicole
- Year 3 Kingfisher - Annie
- Year 4 Chaffinch - Ellie
- Year 4 Eagle - Abiya
- Year 5 Swift - Cloe
- Year 5 Wren - Jack
- Year 6 Heron - Dray
- Year 6 Robin - Max

PSHE Award

- 'Choose to follow the Learning Charter'
- Year 1 - Precious
- Year 2 - Emily
- Year 3 - Leonie
- Year 4 - Joseph
- Year 5 - Corbyn
- Year 6 - Thamay

Star Award

- KS1 - Ruby
- KS2 - Mitchell

PSHE award theme for next week is:
'Know how to lead a healthy lifestyle'

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

The class with the highest attendance this week is Mrs Barry and Miss Remnant's Swift Class in Year 5 with 100%. Well done! The school's overall attendance was 95.66%.

If your child is absent from school because of illness, please make sure you let us know so we can record it as an 'authorised absence'.

Any child's absence, for which parents have not provided an explanation, is recorded as 'unauthorised absence'.

MEET OUR STAFF... MISS ELLIOTT

Hello my name is Miss Elliott.

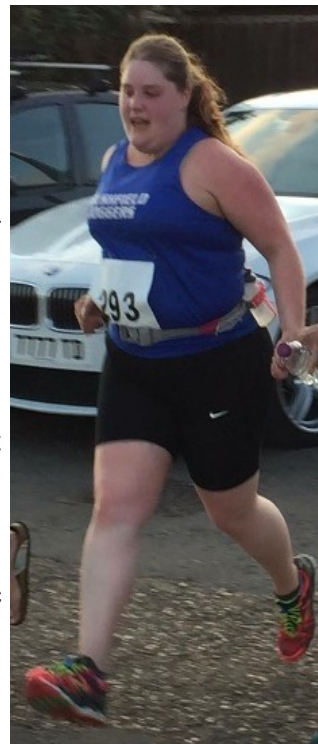
Recently, I have been appointed to work in Year 2, Nightingale class.

After qualifying at University of Northampton four years ago, I worked at Dogsthorpe Junior School and South View Primary School in Crowland. I have mostly worked in KS2 but have enjoyed periods in KS1. Before I qualified as a teacher I worked at Fulbridge School as a TA and a HLTA from Years 1 to 5; it gave me a great insight into the role teachers and TA's have in a child's life.

Away from school I love to run and bake; unfortunately the two don't mix well! Last Sunday I completed my third half marathon this year, despite being full of cold. I can't wait for my next running challenge! As for baking, I love making all sorts of cakes and biscuits, but I find the best bit is the decorating, I really enjoy working with fondant and creating something which makes people smile.



Throughout the day I need a music fix, that can either be listening to music (which is always on in my classroom) or playing it on the saxophone. I feel that you can learn so much through music and everyone should be exposed to as many different genres as possible. As a result I love teaching music to children as they all seem to thrive on it and grow in confidence.



PEACE AMBASSADORS

The children who would like to be a Peace Ambassador had the opportunity this week to speak in our assemblies to explain why they would like this important role. We had some fantastic speeches and some well designed campaign posters throughout school.

We set up a 'Polling Station' in Year 5 Wren Classroom and all children in the school had an opportunity to vote.

We look forward to announcing the names of the Peace Ambassadors in next week's newsletter and include photographs and a little bit about them.

Well done to everyone who has put themselves forward to be a Peace Ambassador.

COATS AND CLOTHING

As the colder weather seems to be fast approaching, please can we remind parents and carers to ensure that children bring a coat, a hat and scarf.

Please can you also remember to name all articles of clothing in case they are lost and we can return the items to the rightful owner.

OPEN AFTERNOON NEXT FRIDAY

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CLASSROOM SNAPSHOT... BY ODDEI, YEAR 2 SWALLOW CLASS

Hello, my name is Oddei. I started Eyrescroft Primary school in reception. My teacher in Year 2 is Miss Tsang. She is really nice and really kind.

Our topic this term is the Great Fire of London. I have learnt that 13,000 houses and 87 churches were burnt down and 6 people died. The fire started in a bakery in Pudding Lane. We have been creating our own diary entries and we have also made some newspaper reports. In maths we have been learning how to subtract.



I like coming to Eyrescroft Primary School because I have lots of friends and I enjoy learning different things.

I have an older brother called Danso in Year 4 and an older sister called Paola in Year 6.

Away from school I like to go swimming with my family. I am looking forward to the half term holiday so I can play outside with my friends.