



Dear parents/carers,

Enjoy reading some school news below. Also find some special dates for next term outlined at the end of the newsletter.



Victory in Europe Celebration

May 8th was the 80th anniversary of VE Day—the day WW2 fighting stopped in Europe in 1945. The children learned more about this through assembly and through special class activities: art painting & bunting making, geography work on towns where big street parties happened in 1945, English comprehension & word searches and sharing of stories of family members who were involved in WW2. The children enjoyed lunch outside while WW2 era music was played—many children danced and some even found a partner to waltz around the playground. The sun shone and it was a super day to celebrate peace and the British Values of individual liberty, democracy, the rule of law and mutual tolerance & respect for those with different beliefs that people defended so vehemently at the time.

Thank you to Mrs Parsons for organising the celebrations.

Y6 Assessment

The Y6 children have done incredibly well this week as they have undertaken their special assessments. They have prepared well and kept the assessments in perspective. Well done to each of them—we are very proud of the way they have approached the week.

They have particularly enjoyed the morning croissants and juice together before the start of their day. Thank you to wonderful Mrs Yorke and Mrs Mifflin facilitating this and for preparing the children so well.

May Monarch Celebration

This year we are all looking forward to the our May Monarch Crowning—it is on the last day of term, Thursday 22nd May, straight after school — we hope some of you can stay to enjoy it with us. (We are sorry but after school clubs will be cancelled on this day as the playground will be needed.)

The May Celebration is an Eastington tradition that has run for 116 years. This year we had several brave candidates who stood for the role—they shared speeches with the whole school. The children voted on the candidates, selecting the person they felt lived out our school values.

Congratulations to Evan Walton who was selected by the children—he is a worthy winner who consistently shows kindness and cooperation.

Evan will work with our children in Class 1 to share the importance of our school values in Summer term.

Children in Lang-Langa with their letters for us.



The Headteacher in the 'Eastington forest' area that their children tend and nurture.



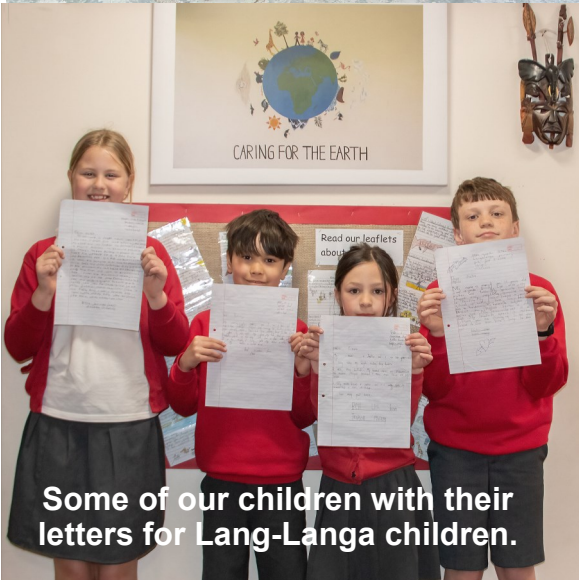
(We previously sent trees to Langa-Langa to support the school in setting out a nature area for the children with Mr Dougan's help. Langa-Langa sent us an Oak tree in return—it is still growing in school.)

Partner School News—Langa-Langa School, Kenya

Our school has strong links with a school in Kenya called Langa-Langa. In KS1 children learn about Kenya in through the Geography curriculum and in KS2 children receive and send letters to children at Langa-Langa to help them understand what life is like for children in a different country.

We are delighted to have received letters from children in Langa-Langa and to have sent letters back. We aim for our children to understand that children's lives can be varied and different through this exchange as well as supporting the human geography curriculum.

Thanks to Mr Dougan for helping us with letter sharing with Lang-Langa.



Some of our children with their letters for Lang-Langa children.

Diary Dates

Summer Term 5

May 19th
May 20th
May 22nd

Handball—Y6

Class photographs

May Monarch Crowning 3.15pm—all welcome to stay

Last day for children

Summer Term 6

June 2

Start of Summer Term 6 for children

PGL week for Y6 children

June 4th

Rounders – Y5—information to Y5 parents will follow

C3 Well-Being sessions with Atlas Sports start

June 11th

African Drumming workshops for KS2 classes

June 16th

LIFE IS A BEACH environment workshops—all classes

June 20th

PA Frozen Friday ice-lolly sale after school

June 23rd

Cotswold Farm Park—Educational visit for Reception

June 26th

Final swim for C3

June 29th

Summer Duck Races—please keep this day free to help & enjoy with us

July 7th

Sports Day—please keep the afternoon free to help and enjoy with us

July 14th

Reserve Sports Day—please keep the afternoon free to help and enjoy with us

July 17th

10am: Y6 Leavers assembly to Y6 parents

July 18th

Theatre Play Company onsite—Treasure Island

Last day of term for children

Thank you for your ongoing support,
Zoe Avastu

Aiming high.....together

