



# EAGLE PARK SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 54

Friday 24th January 2025

## Spring Term 2025

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

This week at school we have been working on Martin Luther King Day. The students have had the opportunity to learn about the life and work of this great leader and to decide what their dreams are. They have the following dreams:

Jaylan - that every mummy and daddy will be able to go shopping with their children. Micah - that everyone will be happy. Phoenix did some in depth research into the life of this great man and Marcus stated that he was a "hero" and fought for equality.

The school is launching a new activity next week to encourage students' love of reading and embed the practice of reading for pleasure every day. From now on, all the students in the primary school will read at the same time in the morning. We will be showcasing the books they are reading and their thoughts on them. This part of the day will be called - The Eager Eagles Reading Time.

Phoenix class are preparing a trip to China Town to investigate Chinese New Year and all the classes are preparing for trips to different places this half term, including Hanwell Zoo.

We are all hoping for a sunny Saturday and Sunday and wish you all a very happy weekend.

Margaret Carey

Headteacher.



Term start date:	Monday 6th January 2025
Term Ends:	Friday 4th April 2025
Half Term:	Monday 17th February to 21st February 2025
Easter Break starts:	Monday 7th April 2025
Easter Break Ends:	Monday 21st April 2025

# Class News Crane Class



Now that we're all settled into the term, the Cranes are full of energy to learn!

This week in Gardening we had a look at how the crocuses we planted last week are doing; they've sprouted some leaves at the top of the stalks so we're looking forward to seeing how their growth progresses. We also had a look at our new plant: Hyacinths. Before putting them into our planters we had a good look at the plants up close and named the different parts: the flower, the leaves, the stem and even the roots as the bulbs sit on top of the soil but there are also thin long roots that go into it.

In Art we've been creating and completing a picture of red flowers by following a video and taking each step slowly. We tried to be very careful with our painting and we're quite pleased with the results, which you can see in the pictures.

The theme in English continues to be Monkey Puzzle and we've been learning how bats hang upside down and can't see at all. Later in the week we learned about the life of Martin Luther King and coloured in some pictures which we have displayed on the wall.

We learned about the caterpillar stage of the butterfly's life cycle in Science and tried to be more independent making chocolate brownie cupcakes in cooking, so we've been super busy and we're ready for the weekend!

# Class News

## Robin Class



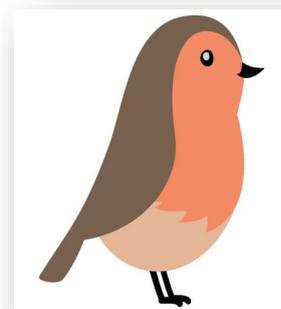
### What a Fantastic Week for Robin Class!

This week, Robin Class has dived into grammar and creative writing, using *Spring for Sophie* by Yael Werber to explore past and present tenses in fun, hands-on ways.

In art, we've embraced different media to create stunning paintings. Using careful techniques, the children painted vibrant poppies on striking black-and-white backgrounds. Their focus on brushwork and detail was impressive, and we're thrilled to showcase their efforts in a new classroom display.

In Humanities, we compared the lives of the rich and poor during Queen Victoria's reign. Our exploration of French and English cultures included preparing fruit parfaits and salads, teaching food hygiene, healthy eating, and quick preparation skills.

Finally, we reflected on the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr.'s *I Have a Dream* speech, discussing how words can inspire change and sharing our own dreams for the future.



# Class News

## Dove Class



This week in Dove class, we have been learning about Martin Luther King. We studied his life and discussed his famous speech. We also shared our dreams and created dream catchers. In computing, we started making a leaflet about Martin Luther King, using formatting tools in Word to edit text and change pictures. In PE, we continued playing tennis, focusing on hitting the ball with our rackets and hitting a balloon over a net.

In cooking, we learned about kitchen hygiene and practiced washing dishes. In music, we sang and danced, having a great time. In maths, we are exploring 2D and 3D shapes in our environment, identifying items like our lunch bags as cuboids and going on treasure hunts. In English, we have been tapping into our dramatic sides by acting out various actions and using them to create sentences.

# Class News

## Goldfinch Class



Goldfinch was introduced to our spring term story focus, *The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark*. As we read the story we will explore themes of bravery and discovering new things. In Science, we focused on studying owls, we've discovered their body parts, lifecycle and how they hunt. In connection, we did owl in stage 2 for Attention Autism. In Maths, we're starting a new unit on time. We are learning how to read analogue clocks, and telling time by the hour. This week's food-tech we enjoyed making smoothies and French fries. And after we ate, we learned how to take care of ourselves by brushing our teeth and handwashing. To end our week, during assembly we learned about Martin Luther King Jr. who championed the idea of peaceful protest and that everyone has a dream. Well done Goldfinch class!



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## Phoenix Class



This week we have been looking at Chinese New Year, traditions that people follow and how people celebrate as well as learning about the myth of the zodiac. We are also planning to visit China Town to see how Chinese New Year is celebrated in London.

In Food Technology we have continued to look at healthy eating and budgeting. This week we were recreating Subway sandwiches which everyone really enjoyed.

In English, we have continued to read and summarise 'The Last Chance Hotel' thinking about how we imagine the characters to be and how we can already see links between characters and objects in the chapters that we have read.

In preparation for our weekly assembly with Robin Class, we researched the life of Dr Martin Luther King Jr and used PowerPoint to present our facts.

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Students are nominated weekly for a class award.

**This week's EPS Eagle  
Class Award goes to:**



**Crane:** Karvel

“For his endless energy and interest in learning.”

**Robin:** Hallie

“For her maturity and focus in class and in art.”

**Dove:** Temi

“For using mental math with numbers up to 10.”

**Goldfinch:** Iman

“For focusing in doing her tasks and following directions.”

**Phoenix:** Lilly-Mai

“For showing such maturity when helping younger students in Robin Class. “



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## Coffee Meets Week

You are invited to have coffee and refreshments with your children and their teachers:

☕ Monday 10th February - Crane Class

☕ Tuesday 11th February - Goldfinch Class

☕ Wednesday 12th February - Robin Class

☕ Thursday 13th February - Phoenix Class

☕ Friday 14th February - Dove Class

Further details to follow!



## Progress Meetings

Progress Meetings will take place after Half-Term.

Further details to follow!

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## Climate cops



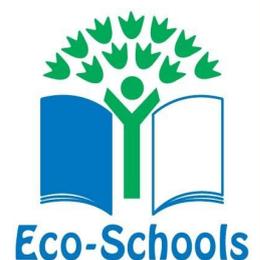
The Climate Cops are thrilled to be back in action after the winter break, and we have many exciting ideas for the following months.

In this week's Climate Cops meeting, we refreshed our minds on the Eco-School's mission and the steps we need to take to achieve the prestigious green flag award.

After we refreshed our minds, we appointed 'litter', and 'switch-off' monitors within the Climate Cops. Well done to Marcus and Kyrlo for stepping up and setting a great example to the younger students. So much so that in Robin class, Arthur and Hallie volunteered to be their class's litter and 'switch-off' monitors! A very big well done to these students, demonstrating to the rest of us how to take responsibility and care for our school environment.

Next on the agenda was to design our own 'switch-off' posters, to encourage all students and staff to switch off any unused appliances or lights when leaving the room, in order to conserve energy. The Climate Cops all produced lovely posters, some by hand and some digitally. Please see some examples of the posters in the pictures!

The Climate Cops look forward to updating you on our progress as the weeks go on!



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## Meet your new Occupational Therapist (OT)



My Name is

Nichola



### 🔍 About Me



Hi! I'm Nichola, an Occupational Therapist from South Africa. I love being outside (hiking) and in the ocean (swimming & surfing).

I'm passionate about helping children learn, grow, and succeed in their daily activities. I focus on improving skills so that your children can thrive in the classroom and be as independent as possible at home.



### EDUCATION

- Bachelors (Honours) in **Occupational Therapy** from Stellenbosch University in South Africa (2021).

### EXPERIENCE

- I have worked in many different areas in Occupational Therapy but I am most passionate about working with children to be as independent as possible.

**I look forward to working  
with you to support your  
child's development!**



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## Updates to contact details

If you need to update your contact details, or the details of one of your emergency contacts, please email the school office

**admin@eagleparkschool.co.uk** with the new information as soon as possible.

## Contacting our school office

Our school office hours are 8:00am-3:45pm; by telephone (0203 876 5076), and by emailing **admin@eagleparkschool.co.uk**. All emails for staff are sent to this account; staff's personal email addresses must not be used. Emails are read throughout the school day; we aim to respond to non-urgent emails within five school days. If our office team are unable to answer your telephone call, please leave a message. Your call will be returned as soon as possible.

As a reminder any Safeguarding or urgent enquires you can email Admin on **admin@eagleparkschool.co.uk** or Telephone and leave a message on (0203 876 5076) out of school hours.

## Our School Aim

To give our pupils a purpose & equip them for their future.

To build positive relationships with all stakeholders.

Celebrate success & achievement, no matter how big or small.

## Our School Vision

More than just a school, we are a community with a culture and ethos that embodies "togetherness". We work hand in hand to develop curious and confident children with an understanding of how to be socially, morally, spiritually and culturally aware

## Our school Values

Our 3E's promote self esteem and confidence

Effort - I will always do my best

Equality - I will always respect others

Empathy - I will try and understand how you feel

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## Labelling items



Please ensure every item of your child's clothing - including gloves and hats - is labelled with their name. This ensures items can be returned to their owner and saves time when getting ready to go outside. We have some items of clothing that can never be returned to their rightful owner because they are not labelled.

### Reporting pupil absence



In line with our Attendance Policy, parents/carers must telephone the school (0203 8765076) or sent an email to [admin@eagleparkschool.co.uk](mailto:admin@eagleparkschool.co.uk) to inform us of the specific reason for their child's absence on each day of absence

(unless the illness is prolonged, e.g. chicken pox). Symptoms must be provided; advising that children are 'sick' or 'unwell' does not give enough information. In accordance with Government recommendations, a pupil suffering from diarrhoea and/or vomiting must remain off school for 48 hours before returning. For example, if they are sent home from school on a Tuesday after being sick, they can return on Friday, provided there are no further episodes of vomiting on Wednesday or Thursday.