



Egginton Primary School Newsletter

FEBRUARY 2025

UPCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY...

3rd March

World Book Week

7th March

Book Character Dress Up
Day

12th March

Parents' Evening

14th March

Hedgehog Activity Day

27th March

Non-uniform day

28th March

Easter Bingo

4th April

Celebration Assembly

Easter Holiday

22nd April

Return to School

5th May

Bank Holiday

12th May

Y6 SATs Week

20th May

School Photographs

Ofsted Inspection

We have received our draft inspection report this week and have been busy reading it through. Once this has been finalised and officially published, we shall let you know.

Brilliant Brass Band

Our Y3/4 pupils have been working really hard on developing their musical skills by learning to play brass instruments, including trumpets, trombones and baritones. On February 11th, they performed to parents in the hall and this was a great success. It was lovely to hear how much progress they have made since the start of the year. I would like to thank Mrs Wilde for all of her hard work in preparing the pupils for the brilliant performance.



Safer Internet Day



Safer Internet Day 2025 took place on the 11th of February, with learning based around the theme 'Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online'.

For more information about this, please have a look at an online lesson available from the BBC.

You can find the link [here...](#)

Attendance



Our overall attendance for this year has been **95.28%**, which is slightly above the government target of 95%.
MacArthur Class have **95.35%**, Nightingale have **95.21%** and Arkwright have **95.29%**.

If your child's attendance has fallen below 90%, you will have recently received a letter detailing this, as required by the local authority and the DfE.

Join the PTA!



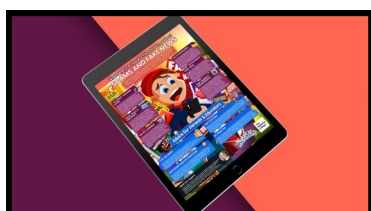
Valentine's Disco

A big thank you to our PTA who organised the Valentine's themed disco on Thursday 13th February. The children really enjoyed themselves with singing and dancing and bouncing balloons!



National College

Following on from the theme of Safer Internet Day, please have a look at a free guide from the National College offering advice about fake news and scams [here](#).



If you haven't registered for your National College account yet, please sign up [here](#).

Creative Play



Pupils in MacArthur class used the playground equipment to design and make a pick-up truck! Amazing imaginations and teamwork.

A little bit extra...



NUSRAT FATEH ALI KHAN

In February, we have learned about Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan, who was a Pakistani musician and Qawwali singer renowned for his soulful vocals and contributions to Sufi music, leaving a profound impact on the world of traditional Pakistani music.

You can sample some of his pieces [here](#)...

Phunky Foods



Why not try out our 'Recipe of the Month' at home?

Orange Shortbread

Click on the link [here](#) to enjoy a delicious sweet treat before we spring into Spring!

Free School Meals

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Pssst

Did you know that all reception, year 1 and year 2 pupils are entitled to receive a free meal at lunchtime regardless of family income?

And if your child is in year 3 or above, they may also be eligible, if you receive one of the qualifying benefits.



SCAN ME

Just log into the new speedy free school meal checker system to see if your child is eligible. Scan the QR code and it will take you straight there.



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County Council

If school meals are free for reception, year 1 and year 2 - why do I still need to apply?

All children in reception, year 1 and year 2 get free school meals, but if you receive one of the qualifying benefits you may also get help with:

- the cost of residential school trips
- travel costs to school
- school uniform costs
- music lessons at school

For every child registered for free school meals, schools receive a pupil premium payment each year. This will be used to help your child achieve their best at school.

Use the QR code overleaf to access the portal and check your eligibility.

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