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Newsletter 26

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Dear Edinburgh Families

As we end the Spring Term together, I would like to say a HUGE thank you, and to my wonderful staff team, for all of your support, energy and positivity over the past few weeks. Although the term has been a relatively short one, we have achieved a great deal together, and the children have enjoyed some fantastic learning experiences: World Book Day celebrations in pyjamas, exploring The Science Dome and a dance workshop whilst the majority of our community were celebrating Eid, are just a few highlights.

Please encourage and support your child to enjoy some good books over the break. It is an important time in the academic year for all of our children, especially those in Year 6. Let's help them to achieve the success they deserve.

I look forward to welcoming you all back, refreshed and eager to learn, **on Monday 13th April.**

Have a peaceful Easter break!



Best wishes

Ellie Green

Miss E Green - Head Teacher

In this week's newsletter you will find information about the following:

- EPS Values Celebration
- EPS Star Awards
- EPS Healthy Eating Awards
- EPS Celebrate Good Attendance
- Class Corner: Hornbeam & Ginkgo
- Diary Dates

EPS Values Celebration

**Respect - Resilience - Kindness -
Positivity – Confidence – Aspiration**

Congratulations to EPS Values Award winners. It is my favourite moment of the week to hear the teachers talk so enthusiastically about the amazing achievements and values of our children.

Banyan:

Hanna - Kindness

Ginkgo:

Azaan - Confidence

Hornbeam:

Nectarie - Kindness

Pine:

*Danna - Positivity
Khadijah - Aspiration*

Oak:

*Raima - Kindness
Mahia - Confidence
Ella-May - Kindness
Alayna - Confidence
Talía - Confidence
Saaliha - Extra Special Achievement*

Tamarind & Maple:

*Tamera - Resilience
Nabiha - Resilience
Eesa - Positivity
Yasin - Positivity*

I am very proud of you! all

Thank you to everyone who came along to support today. It means a lot to us all.

A Gold Award was presented to:
Starr – Gingko Class

EPS Star Awards



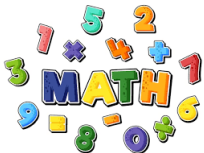
Reading Stars:

Ailin - Banyan
Sabiha - Gingko
Azaria - Pine
Mahia - Oak
Elise - Oak
Nathan - Maple
Malakai - Tamarind



Spelling & Handwriting:

David - Banyan
Matthew - Hornbeam
Emilia - Oak
Nabiha - Tamarind
Hawa - Maple



Mathematician of the Week:

Jannat - Gingko
Annays - Oak
Ameen - Pine
Linaz - Pine
Grace - Banyan
Amelia - Maple
Troy - Tamarind

EPS Healthy Eating Awards



Banyan: Mahmood, Nasar, David
Gingko: Nicole
Hornbeam: Nectarie
Oak: Kanzeddine
Tamarind: Osman, Yahya

Please remember we are a healthy school.
Crisps, sweets or chocolate bars are **not** allowed
in school or on school trips.

EPS Celebrate Good Attendance

Week beginning: 23/03/2026

Class	Team Attendance	
Banyan	90.1%	
Gingko	97.2%	2nd
Hornbeam	98.6%	1st
Oak	91.5%	
Pine	96.5%	3rd
Tamarind	90.5%	
Maple	90.5%	
Whole School	93.3%	

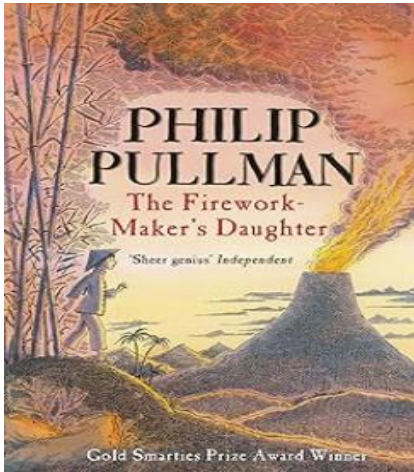
Let's work together to ensure each class
is in the GREEN Zone after the Easter
break!

Whole school attendance since
September is 94.85%

Attendance Ladder



Ginkgo / Hornbeam Class



English – Focus

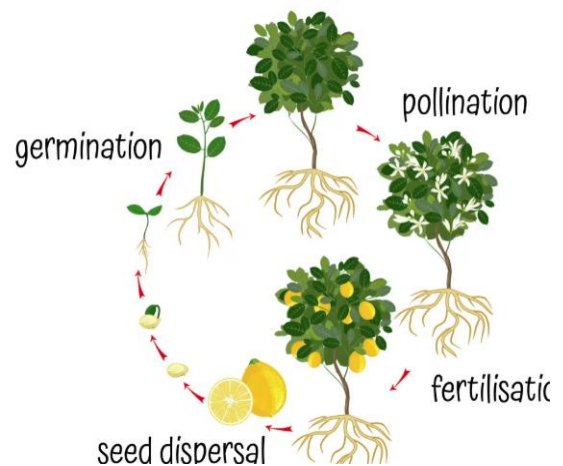
In English, the children have been enjoying *Firemaker's Daughter* by Philip Norman, a fantasy adventure about Lila, who, with the help of her friend Chulak and an elephant named Hamlet, proves to her father that she is more capable than he expected. The story has sparked enthusiasm and thoughtful discussion.

As they read, the children have been making predictions about what might happen next and explaining their ideas with growing confidence. They have also been using expanded noun phrases and complex sentences to add detail, helping them create more vivid and engaging writing.

Science

The children have continued their learning on plants, focusing on soil and root systems. They have explored different types of soil and discussed why soil is important for healthy plant growth.

They have also learned about tap roots and fibrous roots, understanding how tap roots grow deep into the ground to anchor plants, while fibrous roots spread out to absorb water and nutrients. Through practical activities, such as planting seeds and observing how they grow over time, the children are developing their observation and enquiry skills in a meaningful and engaging way.



PSHE – Jigsaw Healthy Me!

This term in PSHE, children learned about their bodies, including the names of key body parts and how to keep themselves healthy. They explored the importance of eating healthy foods, getting enough sleep, and practising good hygiene, such as regular hand washing. They also discussed ways to help themselves settle at bedtime. In addition, Year 3 also enjoyed a visit from the School Nurse, who delivered an engaging session on personal hygiene, reinforcing the importance of staying clean and looking after their bodies.



Diary Dates

March 2026	
Monday 30 th – Friday 10 th April	Easter Holiday
April 2026	
Monday 13 th April	Children return to school
Monday 20 th April	School Nurse Drop in Session @ 9.30am Parents coffee morning – Neurodiversity @ 9am
Thursday 23 rd April	Banyan Class Mosque Visit
Tuesday 28 th April	Reception class Hearing & Vision
May 2026	
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 11 th - Thursday 14 th May	SATs Week
Friday 22 nd May	Last day of term – normal finish
Monday 25 th May	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 26 th May – Friday 29 th May	Half Term Holiday
June 2026	
Monday 1st June	Curriculum Day - Children off School
Tuesday 2 nd June	Children return to school
Monday 8 th – Wednesday 10 th June	Year 5/6 Residential Grosvenor Hall
Monday 15 th – Friday 19 th June	Year 6 Bikeability
Monday 29 th June - Friday 10 July	Year 6 Swimming
July 2026	
Wednesday 1 st July	Proposed Year 6 Transition day
Friday 17 th July	Last day of term early finish 1.45