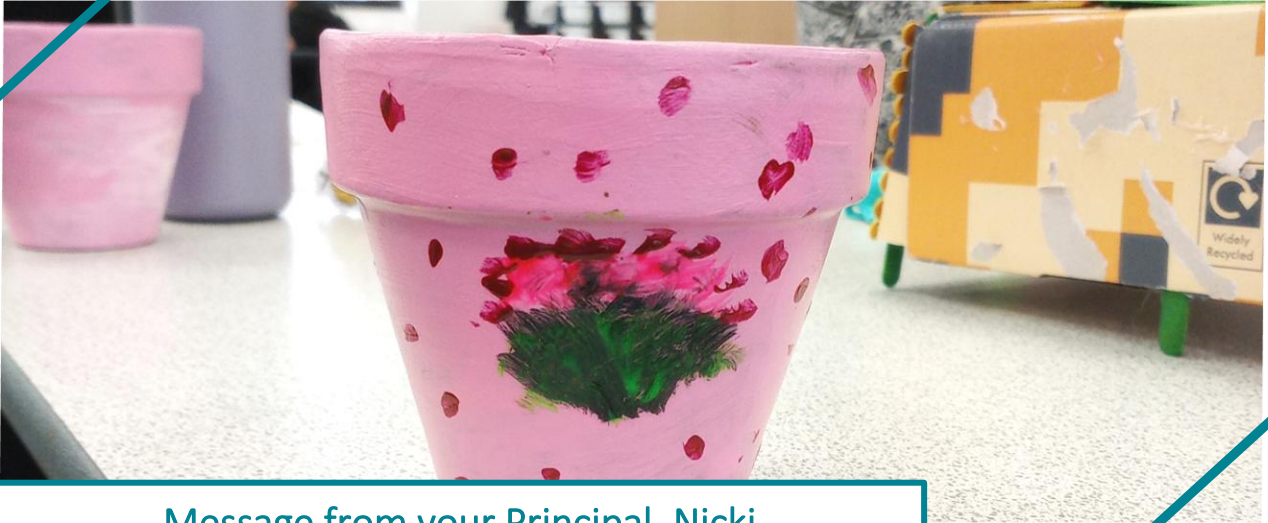




# EGHAM PARK SCHOOL



## Message from your Principal, Nicki

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

Wow! I cannot believe that this term has passed so quickly, and that we are heading into the Easter Holidays. What a busy term it has been with students spending so much time in the community, putting into practice the social skills that they have been learning in school.

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate our three students that passed their Functional Skills exams this term - we are very proud of you!

Wishing you all a happy and peaceful Spring Break!

**Best Wishes, Nicki**



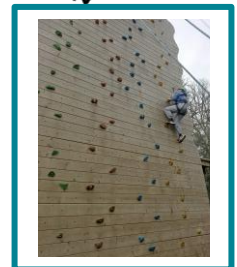
## A huge thank you from your Team

Thank you to all of our parents, carers and pupils for your continued support. We hope that you have a lovely Easter Break.



### Sayers Croft

We had an action packed and adventurous day at Sayers Croft! From scaling the rock-climbing wall to finding our way through the tricky maze, there was excitement around every corner. We worked together in some brilliant team building challenges, cheering each other on and celebrating our successes. After all that fun, we enjoyed a well-earned lunch in the great outdoors. One of the most thrilling moments was when we even got to make sparks, it definitely lit up our day!





This term at the Orbit, we had great fun playing basketball and volleyball! Some of our students chose to join us simply to enjoy the lovely walk and fresh air, while others eagerly took part in the games. We learned the basic skills and rules before putting them into practice during some exciting competitive matches. These activities not only helped us improve our sporting abilities but also strengthened our teamwork and communication. Well done to everyone for their enthusiasm and positive participation!



**English:**

"Divorced, beheaded, died; divorced, beheaded, survived" might be a rhyme that sounds familiar! In English this term, we explored the monarchy of the UK and used our learning to create imaginative pieces of writing, including invitations and diary entries inspired by history. To make our work even more authentic, we stained our invitations with tea to give them an aged look and carefully used our neatest handwriting to invite guests to the coronation of King Charles III. It has been wonderful to combine creativity with historical learning this term.



It was a rainy and cold term at the allotment, but we were lucky to enjoy a few bright, sunny days too! We were delighted to see that our plants survived the winter, and our tree saplings are now beginning to grow fresh green leaves. One of the highlights was using our own mint leaves from the garden to make refreshing iced tea, which we all thoroughly enjoyed. We are very excited and hopeful about what the summer term will bring as we continue to care for and watch our allotment grow!



We had a wonderfully creative term in Arts! Our pupils took part in an exciting "Trash to Art" project, planning and creating art pieces using recycled materials. Pupils showed great independence by designing their own ideas, making lists of the things they would need, and producing thoughtful sketches before beginning their creations. It has been amazing to see their imagination and progress shine through their work. Well done to our young artists!



This term, the pupils visited the Lightbox Gallery in Woking. They discovered the history of Woking and some interesting art pieces. The pupils even got the chance to dress up in some vintage items. Even the staff were trying on the clothes! Some pupils completed a scavenger hunt around the gallery and when they got back, recreated some of the artwork they found inspiring. We have some artists in the making.

Our science lessons were full of fun experiments. We learnt about structures, and what is the strongest shape. In learning this we built a tower out of spaghetti and clay (with the objective: making the tallest and strongest tower). All students were engaged and found it entertaining. Another experiment we did was the effect of different liquids on our teeth. We put cooked eggs in different liquids and observed the effects it had each day (and yes, it was surprising results). Who said science can't be fun?



In February, pupils visited Egham Museum to learn about how people from the local area came together as a community during the First World War. They discovered how local residents supported a national effort to send thousands of eggs to the British soldiers fighting on the frontline in Europe. The pupils couldn't believe that over 1 million eggs had been donated! After designing their own covers for a magazine, the pupils took time out to dress up in some historical clothing.

The pupils went on a visit to Egham Fire Station. They were introduced to the history of their fire station. The pupils were shown the fire engines and told about their capabilities. They learnt about the design of fire engines, the specifics of the firefighters' duties, and even how much water fits in the tank! There was an interesting demonstration of a hydraulic hand-held tool used to cut through or pry open metal structures. The pupils were able to try on a firefighter's uniform, which caused quite a stir and led to a queue to have a go; they were also allowed to sit in the cab of a fire engine and have their photos taken on the station grounds.



### Project work

Pupils at Egham Park School undertook a project on different countries, aimed at exploring the geography, culture, economy and traditions of other nations. This helped to develop research, critical thinking and presentation skills, allowing pupils to understand differences in lifestyle and mindset, and even explore the characteristics of school systems in other countries. The pupils independently chose a country and topics, searched for information in various sources and processed the data to select the most important information and include it in the project. Everyone created a unique project with a variety of illustrations!

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### Safeguarding over the Easter break

Over the break, we are still here for all our pupils and families.

If you have any concerns or questions, you can email the school on:

[DSL@eghamparkschool.co.uk](mailto:DSL@eghamparkschool.co.uk)

Emails sent to this email address will be answered as quickly as possible but may take up to 24hours for a response.

In case of an emergency please call:  
**999**

If you require support from the Local Authority then please contact:

[cspa@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:cspa@surreycc.gov.uk)  
0300 470 9100



### Changes in personal details

Should any of your personal details change or anything regarding your child's medical history etc please can you let the team know, update SchoolBase and email Amar at [apanesar@eghamparkschool.co.uk](mailto:apanesar@eghamparkschool.co.uk)



### Absence and Sickness

For any absences, sickness or late arrivals please do contact the school on 01784 913929 or email Amar at [apanesar@eghamparkschool.co.uk](mailto:apanesar@eghamparkschool.co.uk) by **8.30am.**

Your feedback is always important to us. This can be anything from something we need to improve on, something we can change or something we are doing well. Please do share this with us by emailing Nicki or Amar.

Thank you