

Eton Academy Monthly Newsletter - Welcome! November 2024

Dear Eton Academy Community,

As the seasons change and we welcome the crispness of November, we're excited to share updates, events, and new initiatives designed to enrich your child's experience here at Eton Academy. November is a busy month filled with special occasions! From Anti-Bullying Week and Remembrance Sunday to Green Careers Week, there are so many meaningful opportunities for learning and reflection this month. We're thrilled to make November a memorable and impactful time for everyone in our school community.

Anti-Bullying Week: "Choose Respect" (November 11–15)

We're proud to be participating in Anti-Bullying Week this month, focusing on the theme, "Choose Respect." This important week aims to raise awareness about kindness, empathy, and the strength in respecting one another's differences. To celebrate the start of the week, Odd Socks Day will be on Tuesday, November 12—a fun and unique way for students and staff to express individuality and celebrate diversity. For more information, please visit the [Anti-Bullying Alliance's website](#).



New Physical Education (PE) module

We're pleased to announce the introduction of a new Physical Education (PE) module this month! This one-hour-per-week session is designed to teach students the benefits of physical activity, along with essential techniques and skills to foster a lifelong appreciation for health and fitness. Watch this space!

Guy Fawkes Night (November 5) - The Story Behind Guy Fawkes Night



Every year on November 5, we remember Guy Fawkes and the failed Gunpowder Plot of 1605. The plot was a plan by a group of English Catholics, including Fawkes, to blow up the Houses of Parliament and assassinate King James I. Their goal was to end Protestant rule in England and replace it with Catholic leadership. Guy Fawkes was tasked with guarding the barrels of gunpowder hidden beneath Parliament. However, on the night of

November 5, he was discovered, arrested, and the plot was foiled.

The nation rejoiced at the king's survival, and people lit bonfires to celebrate. Over time, this tradition became Guy Fawkes Night or Bonfire Night, marked by fireworks, bonfires, and sometimes even burning effigies of Guy Fawkes himself as a reminder of the plot. It's a fascinating piece of history and a time to reflect on the importance of peace and democracy in our society.

[Green Careers Week \(November 4–9\)](#)

This month, Eton Academy is proud to participate in Green Careers Week, a campaign encouraging students to explore sustainable and environmentally focused career paths. From conservation and renewable energy to green technology, this initiative helps students understand the growing opportunities in green industries. Students can take the [Green Buzz Quiz](#) to spark curiosity and inspire students to consider careers that contribute to a sustainable future. Parents, we encourage you to explore the Parent's Guide to Green Careers Week [here](#) for more insights and to engage your child in conversations about green careers.



[Observing Remembrance Sunday \(November 10\)](#)

Remembrance Sunday is a day of reflection and respect, observed on the second Sunday of November each year to honour the members of the armed forces who sacrificed their lives in the line of duty. Originally established to commemorate those who lost their lives in World War I, it now honours servicemen and women from all conflicts. At 11:00 a.m., people across the UK pause for a two-minute silence, remembering those who have served and continue to serve.



The red poppy, symbolising remembrance and hope, is often worn to honour those lost in war. On this day, ceremonies are held at war memorials, cenotaphs, and churches across the country, where wreaths are laid, and moments of silence observed. Remembrance Sunday helps us reflect on the importance of peace, unity, and gratitude for the freedoms protected by the sacrifices of many.

[Parent Feedback](#)

Your feedback is extremely important to us! Please take a moment to let us know your thoughts through our parent feedback form [here](#).

[Other upcoming events](#)

- Green Careers Week: November 4–10
- Guy Fawkes Night: November 5
- Anti-Bullying Week: November 11–15
- Odd Socks Day: November 12
- Remembrance Sunday: November 10

Warm Regards



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Do you have an idea or suggestion for our newsletter? Submit it [HERE](#).

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