

Eton Academy Monthly Newsletter - Welcome! December 2024

Dear Eton Academy Community,

As we approach the end of 2024, it's a wonderful time to reflect on the year's achievements and prepare to embrace the festive cheer of December. We are excited to share with you the upcoming events, academic updates, and new initiatives lined up to enrich our academy. This month, filled with celebration and reflection, promises to be an engaging and joyful time for everyone in our community.

Important!

The last day of school will be **Friday 13th December 2024**.
Term two will start on **Tuesday 7th January 2025**.

Assessment Week: Continued Success!

This week marks our Assessment Week! We want to extend our best wishes to all students as they demonstrate their knowledge and skills acquired over the term. Remember, each challenge is a step towards greater understanding and achievement. Good luck to everyone!

Christmas Fun Week: Team Spirit and Joy!

Looking ahead, next week (9th-13th) will transform into a Christmas Fun Week! Prepare for a joyous break from the regular schedule, featuring fun and educational activities that foster friendly competition among our houses.



PSHE Curriculum for Next Term: Living in the Wider World

Next term's topic for Personal, Social, Health, and Economic (PSHE) education is "Living in the Wider World." We are excited to explore this relevant and engaging theme, which looks at topics such as careers, financial decision making, setting goals, work experience, next steps etc. The curriculum details will be sent out soon, and we invite parents to review and decide on their child's participation in specific topics.

Exciting Clubs for Next Term



We are thrilled to announce the upcoming clubs for next term, promising more creative and intellectual growth opportunities for our students:

Primary Grades: If You Were an Engineer, What Would You Do? Competition

Our primary school students will have the opportunity to participate in the "If You Were an Engineer, What Would You Do?" competition. We are proud to continue with this club following our victory last year! This competition challenges students to design solutions to real-world problems, combining creativity with engineering principles. Learn more about the competition [here](#).

Secondary School: Art Club

For our secondary school students, we will be offering an Art Club next term. This club is a fantastic outlet for students to express themselves through various forms of visual arts, explore their creativity, and develop their artistic skills in a supportive environment.

New Behaviour Policy: A Constructive Approach

Following constructive feedback from our staff and parents, we are set to implement our revised sanctions system starting January. The updated behaviour policy, designed to support positive behaviour and respect within our community, will be shared with you shortly. We appreciate your insights and contributions to refining our approach.

Safeguarding Over the Holidays: Ensuring a Safe and Joyous Season

As we enter the holiday season, safeguarding our children becomes even more pertinent. With school vacations providing more free time and less structured schedules, it is crucial to be vigilant and proactive in protecting our young ones from potential risks. Here are a few key points to consider:

Online Safety: With increased screen time over the holidays, ensure that your children understand the importance of maintaining privacy online and the dangers of sharing personal information. Utilize parental controls and have open discussions about what they encounter online. There is a great guide on the [NSPCC website](#) for this.



Supervision During Events: Holiday gatherings and outings are wonderful times for socializing and celebration. However, they can also present situations where children might find themselves unsupervised. Always ensure that children are within sight or that trusted adults are present to monitor their activities.

Travel Precautions: If your family plans to travel, keep a close watch on your children in busy airports, train stations, and other crowded places where they can easily get lost. Make sure they have identification and contact information on them at all times.

Stress and Mental Health: The excitement of the holidays can also bring stress and anxiety. Keep communication open with your children about their feelings, and watch for signs of stress or unhappiness. Make sure they have downtime and a safe space to express themselves.



By keeping these points in mind, we can all help ensure that the holiday season is not only festive but also safe. Please reach out to our safeguarding team if you need resources or support during this time.

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

- Christmas Fun Week - 9th - 13th December 2024
- Last Day Of Term - 13th December 2024
- UK Office Closed - 23rd December 2024 - 2nd January 2025
- Christmas Day - 25th December 2024
- Boxing Day - 26th December 2024
- New Years Day - 1st January 2025
- Term 2 Starts - 7th January 2025

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Warm regards,



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

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