

Epina y Business and Enterprise School



Sept-Oct 2023

Rue's Remarks

You may have already seen on our social media etc that we had a visit from Ofsted in June, following which ...I am delighted to say that Epina y School continues to be an **Outstanding school!** This recognises all the hard work of our staff team and validates all the procedures and reporting systems that are in place - they *really do work!* I would like to thank our parents/carers, once again, for the continuous support and amazing comments and feedback that substantiates our school vision:

To create a safe and inclusive centre of excellence by providing a stimulating environment where learners achieve challenging and inspirational targets in order to develop as **happy, confident and independent learners who are prepared for adulthood.**

We have also achieved the Reading Quality Mark which focused on reading for pleasure and assessed the school across key themes including widening opportunities for reading for enjoyment. Along with this, we have also achieved the Family First Quality Award which looks at assessing and developing high quality information, advice and assistance - this quality award demonstrates excellence in helping families.



We are excited for the term ahead, it's always a busy one! We will share Christmas arrangements via the Parent Gateway, telephone calls home and social media.

Ready to listen, ready to learn together.

Summer Fayre

We had a fantastic event at the end of the Summer term with our very first Summer Fayre at the new school, held on 19 July. We raised a phenomenal **£1,430** from sales plus **£652** from the raffle. **Thank you so much!**



Stay and Play

As our Phase 1 end of term parents/carers event, we held a 'stay and play' afternoon. Our visitors enjoyed joining in our classroom Halloween activities. It was a lovely afternoon and everyone had a great time.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you all who supported Macmillan Coffee Morning on Tuesday 24 October. We raised a fantastic **£773.42**.

Money raised goes towards providing Macmillan services and support for people who have cancer across the UK.



For all the latest information on Epina y School check out the school website at: www.epina y.org where you will also find Safeguarding and other school policies

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Parents/Carers Coffee Morning

Following on from the success of the Macmillan coffee morning, we are inviting parents/carers to come and join us for a Christmas fundraising coffee morning on **Wednesday 13 December, 9.30am-11.30am**.

We will be selling refreshments, cakes, raffle tickets and tombola. We will also have a few Christmas products available for sale and Charlotte with Summer House Creations will also have a stall. **We hope you can join us!!!!**

Friends of Epina School

Thank you again for all the donations and support for our fundraising events.

We are planning our Christmas raffle and, once again, are looking for any donations of gifts, sweets, tombola items – *just send them into school!*

We are also trialling a Christmas card fundraising project! You should receive your sample pack shortly.



We would also like to thank all our Great North runners, who took part in this year's Great North Run on Sunday 10 September.

Collectively raising £3,000

Thank you for your commitment and fundraising. If you would like to run for Epina School next year, please email dmountain@epinay.org

Easyfundraising



As we head towards Christmas, you may be buying a lot of presents online. Easyfundraising is an ideal way of raising funds for Epina School – all you have to do is register with easyfundraising.org.uk and select the shop you are buying from – and Epina School will receive a donation!

Don't delay - get set up today!

<https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/epinay/dscu48/c2s/06CJMi03/CR054/facebook/>

Important Dates

Christmas Holidays
Mon 25 Dec – Fri 5 Jan 2024



February Half-term Holidays
Mon 19 Feb – Fri 23 Feb 2024

**IN SERVICE DAY
– SCHOOL CLOSED**
Thursday 28 March 2024

Easter Holidays
Fri 29 Mar – Fri 12 April 2024

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