



Spring is finally here and we have been celebrating its arrival in school with a range of activities, most notably the exciting hatching of the chicks in Derwent class. Elsewhere, Professor McGinty amazed the Trent class with his time travelling tales from Ancient Greece and the whole school have celebrated Science theme week with some excellent work based on a painting by local painter Joseph Wright. We look forward to seeing you at the Parent and Carer consultation meetings on 3<sup>rd</sup> April and Celebration Assembly on 12<sup>th</sup> April.

*Mr Kitching*

## Professor McGinty and Ancient Greek Day

On 19<sup>th</sup> March the pupils in Trent class had a fabulous enrichment day based on Ancient Greece. It began with a visit from Professor McGinty – a ‘real life’ time traveller who soon had the whole class enthralled with his amazing stories and artefacts from Ancient Greece (many thanks to the PTA for funding his visit). After break the children wore traditional Ancient Greek togas and outfits and tried a range of different foods originating from Greece including olives, hummus, feta cheese and yoghurt. In the afternoon they created some fantastic Ancient Greek styled artwork. All in all, it was a fantastic, memorable day.





## New Born Chicks in Derwent Class

After a tense wait of two days, excitement and relief broke out in the Derwent class as the first of the chicks hatched out of the incubated eggs that had been delivered to school on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March. The first chick was soon joined by two more companions and, by the end of the week, eight chicks were happily hatched and enjoying life in the classroom. The children have absolutely loved every minute of the hatching experience! Thanks to the PTA for kindly funding the project.



## Sam's Cross Country Running

Following on from his excellent performance at the South Derbyshire Cross Country Primary School competition last autumn, Sam in Year 5 was invited to represent South Derbyshire at the Year 5 and 6 National Cross Country competition in Loughborough on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. Sam said he thoroughly enjoyed the experience competing against the best runners in the country and he would love to participate again in future.



## Derwent Trip to Drayton Manor



As part of their topic work, the Derwent Class visited Drayton Manor on 5<sup>th</sup> March. They visited the Dinosaur Park and learnt all about dinosaur

discovery and exploration. After a break they observed a variety of interesting animals at the zoo. Finally, they finished the day with a visit to the wonderful 4d cinema experience.

## PTA Soup and Pancakes

Once again the PTA Soup and Pancakes day was a very successful and popular event for Egginton. Many people have commented on the lovely atmosphere of the occasion and the delicious food that was served. Thank you to all members of the PTA that helped to organise and run the event on the day and a special thank you to Ros and Andy Farrow for being such fantastic and welcoming hosts. In excess of £300 was raised for the PTA.

# EGGINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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March 2019



Date	Event
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Parent and Carer Consultations – Reception to Year 5
10 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Breakfast Club
11 <sup>th</sup> April	After School Film Club
12 <sup>th</sup> April	Celebration Assembly – PTA Coffe & Croissants Break up for Easter Holiday.
29 <sup>th</sup> April	School starts again for staff and pupils
29 <sup>th</sup> April	Closing date for Parent Governor nominations 12.00pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> May	School photo day
6 <sup>th</sup> May	School closed for bank holiday
13 <sup>th</sup> May – 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Key Stage 2 Sats Week
14 <sup>th</sup> May	PTA Meeting – 7pm
17 <sup>th</sup> May	Celebration Assembly
18 <sup>th</sup> May	Etwall Well Dressing – Instrumentalists invited to play in the afternoon
20 <sup>th</sup> May to 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Key Stage 1 SATS week
22 <sup>nd</sup> to 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 and 6 on outdoor education residential visit to Lea Green
24 <sup>th</sup> May	Break up for half term
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Staff and pupils back to school
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Bikeability Year 5 – Level 1
4 <sup>th</sup> June	Bikeability Year 6 – Level 1
8 <sup>th</sup> June	Children invited to perform at charity event with Church Gresley Male Voice choir – pm
21 <sup>st</sup> June	School closed to pupils – INSET day
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Yr 6 Transition Visit to John Port
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Yr6 Transition Visit to John Port
6 <sup>th</sup> July	Egginton Village Fete
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Celebration Assembly 9.15am Leavers' Assembly 2.30pm Last Day of term