

Epina y Business and Enterprise School

RUE'S REMARKS!

There is lots of excitement around school this month, my twelfth month working within Epina y.

Our pupils are looking forward to Christmas, with lots of Christmas curriculum activities, plus end of term reward trips and the customary outings to collect the tree, visits to see Santa and we are all looking forward to seeing the Lambton Worm at the Customs House.

I would also like us all to take some time, during this busy period, to reflect, look back and remember all the amazing things we have done together and how we have supported each other. Let us be thankful for the things we have, the opportunities and for our health and wellbeing. I am also so proud that we have been able to help those who are less fortunate.

You are all unique
You are all amazing

Geography Beach Trip

Class 7 visited Marsden beach to look at erosion, we could see how the rocks have been worn away and broken down into particles creating stones and sand that make our coastline so unique.

We also fitted in some time to do some beach art.



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Epina y School Website

For all the latest information on Epina y School check out the school website at: www.epina y.org



Visit from Marine Park Primary School

Thank you to Marine Park School who visited us to share their Bangladeshi/Indian culture with Class 6, as part of their study of India in Geography. Ready to learn together, pupils learnt about traditional dress and compared differences in cultures. Pupils also worked together to make Indian sweets from coconut and condensed milk and tried samosas. They also looked at Mehndi henna patterns and some had drawn on their hands and arms.



Operation Christmas Child

Class 8 co-ordinated this year's Shoe box Appeal in school. Pupils produced Posters asked for donations, collected shoebox items, filled shoe boxes and took **105 shoeboxes** to the distribution centre in Jarrow - an amazing achievement!



Since 1990, *Operation Christmas Child* has been blessing underprivileged children around the world with gift-filled shoeboxes wrapped and packed by children and adults in the UK.

Christmas Lunches at Café Epina y

Always popular, once again we have been fully booked throughout December. Delighted to have join us; the Mayor, Cllr Olive Punchion and Mayoress, Mrs Mary French. Café Epina y catering trainees have worked together to prepare and serve over 150 Christmas lunches ...and doing all the dishes too!

Why not come and join us at Café Epina y -Tuesdays and Thursdays, term time, only £4.50 each for 2-courses plus refreshments.



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Gibside, National Trust

In November, 14 Duke of Edinburgh pupils went to Gibside in Gateshead to complete their winter expedition towards the DoE. Pupils gained independence and lifeskills through sharing responsibilities, in a group setting, for cooking, cleaning and looked after each other. They also took part in outdoor activities, worked as part of a team and developed their confidence and skills.



Thank you to Happy Days Charity for supporting the trip

House of Objects

Class 4 visited the House of Objects where pupils explored amongst the “junk” and recycled materials and made Christmas themed sculptures. They loved delving through the different materials. Some pupils worked together, using hammers and nails, to create a special Christmas tree sculpture made out of old wooden pallets. All the children were all given a bag to fill up with materials to bring back to use at school ...to keep them creating.



New...

Business/Admin Forum

We are delighted to be part of this new and exciting development, bringing together business and admin staff together from our South Tyneside schools.

We are holding a launch event on Friday 19th January, from 8.45am at the Little Haven Hotel.

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For further details
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To book please email
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Safeguarding

Thank you to Clennell for the safeguarding training, with Epina y and Park View staff. Updates on legislation and e-safety issues. If anyone have any concerns or would like more information please check the school website safeguarding page at www.epinay.org



Upcoming Events

In Service Training Day
Mon 18 December - school closed

Christmas Showcase
Tue 19 December, 1pm
at Boldon School Theatre

Christmas School Lunch
Wed 20 December

Christmas Pantomime
Thurs 21 December, 1.30pm

Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 22 December

Christmas School Holidays
Mon 25 to Fri 5 January
Return to school Mon 8 January

*see website or social media for
further details of all events*

THINKING POINT - holidays are coming!

Merry Christmas,
take care and keep safe

**Make your
celebrations
fun, happy
and healthy**

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