

Welcome back EP!

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Welcome back to the Summer term, extra poignant for Janet and me as it will be our last at EP after so many years. Let's make it a fantastic one!

I hope you all enjoyed the beautiful Easter weather and our long-awaited escape from the city! For many staff, it was our first sight of parents for many months, which made it very special. We have had a settled and productive first week and are excited about the term ahead and our gradual route back to normality!

LFT tests at home

I hope you have all taken up this opportunity to order free household boxes of these quick Covid tests to do at home. The application process is easy on line and they come within 24 hours! Here is the link <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests> or you can also pick them up at the chemist by Tufnell Park or at Day Lewis Chemist in Kentish Town. This will be a powerful part of our campaign to manage future outbreaks.

Year 6 meeting - TONIGHT

A reminder to Year 6 parents to attend tonight's zoom. We are discussing the imminent trip to Devon, end of year assessments and the plans for Relationship and Sex Education. Tania sent the zoom link yesterday. We start at 6.30pm. Parents in other classes off on residentials, look out for dates of your information evenings soon - for Year 5 this is next Thursday 29th.

TOMORROW

Deadline to send submissions for The Royal Academy art competition to Sophie Hartnell

Events in school next week, 26th - 30th April 2021:

Wednesday 28th

Years 4 and 5 begin their much-delayed Dance Project with The Place. The Place Dance Company will be in school every Wednesday

Year 6 have a chocolate workshop - its history, geography and the politics of its production! They will be in the Lab all day.

Thursday 29th

The UKMT National Maths Challenge for Years 5-8 takes place in the afternoon, for those brave mathematicians who want a challenge! See over.

6.30pm Year 5 zoom meeting for parents about Sayers Croft residential trip. Link will be shared next week.



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Check this out!

We now have a brilliant real-time air quality sensor on the Lab! It monitors air quality 24/7. What's more, because we deliberately chose an international model, we can compare with other settings the world over. It is addictive - and at times very concerning....

<https://www.purpleair.com/map?opt=1/mAQI/a10/c0#11.6/51.5715/-0.1632>

Residentials

As I revealed last term, we are so pleased to have secured not one, not two but **FIVE residentials** for our short summer term! I hope you will agree that this is a vital part of our 'recovery', to have those vital outdoor experiences and adventures together.

Monday 17 May - Friday 21 May - Year 5 to Sayers Croft
Tuesday 18 May - Friday 21 May - Year 6 to East Soar Farm in Devon
Thursday 27 - Friday 28 May - Year 3 to the Mill in Surrey
Thursday 24 - Friday 25 June - Year 2 to the Mill in Surrey
Tuesday 29 - Wednesday 30 June - Year 4 go camping in Epping Forest!

We now have the very good news that thanks to Tania's tenacious fund-raising with local companies, we are able to further subsidise both Year 6 and Year 5's trips - details in letters coming home! Huge thanks to West 1 Contractors and to Regis Asphalt. Payment options are now open on-line for all trips - or you are welcome to pay in cash to the office over the next few weeks.

Maths Challenges!

Next week on Thursday, it's the UKMT maths challenge, an exceptionally challenging national maths competition aimed at Years 5-8. Practising makes ALL the difference. You can access past papers and solutions here - <https://www.ukmt.org.uk/competitions/solo/junior-mathematical-challenge/archive>. 5 years' worth are free and others have to be purchased. There are also lots of questions here <https://nrich.maths.org/11993>. Later into the term, in June, comes the 'First Maths Challenge', a great one to start!

Young Engineers Entries

Final submissions for the Young Leaders Award to Mr Cairns or the office by Monday 26th please!

Assemblies this term

This term we want to look at others - and ourselves - who have been allies and changemakers in the equality movement. But we started this term by reflecting on the life of Prince Philip. Having lived 100 years there were so many links with the history the children study! Ask your child who his great great grandma was!

Thank you

To Mia Baxter in Year 1 for this week's border design.

With best wishes,
Kate Frood and staff



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