

ELEANOR PALMER PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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Thursday 27th May 2021

It's hard to believe it's half term as the weather has been so bad! It is looking like warmer days are finally coming so do enjoy the time off.

This is the break where we always add one of our INSET (staff training days). The children therefore return on Tuesday 8th June. A reminder too that our fifth and final INSET day is the following Monday 14th June.

Events in school in the week after half term: 7th - 11th June:

Monday 7th

School closed for staff training day.
5pm Curriculum Committee.

Tuesday 8th

8am Year 4 Dodgeball Club.
Years 4 and 5 continue their Dance Project with the Place, today instead of Wednesday.
EP's UKMT results announced today!

Wednesday 9th

The school photographer is back! Class and family photos all day led, for the last time, by the wonderful Janet.

Thursday 10th

8am Year 3 Dodgeball Club.
Another photographer in school all day. Ex-parent Steve Franck will be updating photos for our website.
3.30pm Year 6 Palmer Paper Club.

Friday 11th

8am Year 5 Cricket and Dodgeball Club.
Deadline for parent governor nominations. See over.

Thank you

To Kayla Nur in Year 2 for this week's border design.

To all the staff who went away with Year 5 and 6 last week and those away with Year 3 today and tomorrow! Residential are a huge part of Eleanor Palmer's ethos but they take a huge amount of energy and effort from the adults. Both our weeks were amazing, despite some challenging weather - do look at the website!

Half term ideas from the brilliant Crick Institute

Looking for something great to do over half-term? You'll find tons of fun science activities to do both inside and outside the home in the Crick's activity pack shared via the app. The Pack is part of celebrations for their Discovery Day, which will be taking place on Wednesday 2nd June. Details of which can be accessed via their Family Zone webpage.

Student teacher accommodation

We have a student teacher relocating to London and looking for accommodation from August. If you have, or know anyone with accommodation to rent at an affordable rate, please email vicky@eleanorpalmer.camden.sch.uk

So to day

School soup

'Soup day' is quite a cult here at EPI! Our wonderful chef Taf makes soup, which the children have with lovely warm filled baguettes. Several parents have asked for the recipe. It's very simple. Simply cook and then blend the following.

- Tinned tomatoes - 2 tins
- Tsp of Stock
- Carrots - 1 diced
- Garlic - 1 clove
- Fresh basil
- Fresh thyme
- Season
- Add water to desired consistency when blended.

Parent Governor Election

Sadly, two exceptional members of our governing body, Flora Cornish (Arlo Year 5) and Rifca Le Dieu's (Alex and Hugo Year 6 and Emily Year 3) 4-year terms of office end this summer and so we are looking for two new parent governors. This is a key role in the school, offering support and challenge to the school's leadership team, steering a strategic direction whilst being mindful that day to day running of EP is very much down to the head and staff team.

If you would be interested in applying, have the time to commit and would like to know more, do please talk with me, Natalie, Sally or an existing parent governor. More detail also attached with the nomination form. If you are accessing this newsletter via our app or on the website, watch a short video by parent governor Nanouche Umeadi promoting the role!

Assemblies

This week we picked up on the Nutella controversy on the Year 6 school journey....should we eat it on our breakfast toast? We looked at palm oil as an ingredient and why we should, at the very least, try to buy products that harvest this sustainably. Congratulations to Conti Hall who was the first to meet my challenge of finding a product at home that was labelled 'palm oil free' - Manilife Peanut Butter! And to Alex Casey, Xavier Dasan and Flo Nabarro-Quinn, hot on her tail!

PTA news - We're getting ready for Frood Fest, Saturday 3 July 12-3pm. How you can help

- **Host a board:** Our estate agent sponsors Marsh & Parsons will sponsor us £25 a board for up to 60 boards advertising the fair. Please get in touch with Tania by tomorrow if you are able to host a board.
- **Donate items:** If you're having a clear out next week, please hold onto anything you think might be suitable for the book and toy stalls. Collections of books, toys and bottles for the tombola will commence after half term.
- **Volunteer:** Put your hand up to be added to the rota when class reps ask for help organising your class stall. Whats apps coming your way after half term.
- **Request a song and make a dedication:** Keep an eye out for the link coming after half term to submit requests and dedications. The fabulous gang behind Isolation Radio will be DJing for us live on the day!
- **Buy raffle tickets:** With a first prize £100 cash! Tickets will be coming home after half term.
- **Help feed us!** Year 4 will be running our fantastic food stall - it relies on your delicious contributions to keep us all fed!
- **Auction lots:** If you are able to donate a prize (piano lessons, gardening services, any skills, tuition, experiences, event tickets, meal vouchers, holiday homes make great lots) please contact the office or email Sam (sam@eleanorpalmer.camden.sch.uk) with details. Thank you to parents who have already pledged prizes.

With best wishes,
Kate Frood and staff

