# ELEANOR PALMER PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER SUMMER TERM 2021 Number 7

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#### Tomorrow

Deadline for parent governor nominations! This is such a vital role in our school and I know from years of experience, a vital and much valued support to the school's leadership team. I would urge parents to consider the role and support Sally and Natalie as they lead EP into its next exciting chapter.

Events in school next week: 14th - 18th June:

## Monday 14th

## School closed for final staff training day of the year.

At 6pm it is the first of the virtual opportunities to 'Meet the Parents' of local secondary schools. See over.

## Tuesday 15th

8am Year 4 Dodgeball Club.

Summer Concert rehearsals. Remember to bring any instruments or music into school.

Year 6 are going orienteering on the Heath.

## Wednesday 16th

8am Governors' PPC Committee

At 6pm it is the second of the virtual opportunities to 'Meet the Parents' of local secondary schools. See over

# Thursday 17th

8am Year 3 Fitness Club.

# Friday 18th

Year 5 Dodgeball Club.

Year 3 are off to the Heath.

Year 2 are going to Kew Gardens.

The CLC visit Year 4 and Reception for IT workshops.

## Thank you

To Renée Barnett in Year 2 for this week's border design.

#### Covid update

Cases are clearly on the rise in Camden and in schools but so far so good here at EP. Staff are almost all fully vaccinated now and continue to do weekly testing. Do please avail yourself of a box of LFTs at the main entrance if you don't have a stock. We must all be vigilant and mindful of any signs of infection within the family.

We plan to continue with all our planned activities as most are outdoors. The challenge is the Summer Concert, which clearly cannot take place inside as so many attend! We are planning to do it in the playground Kenwood Concert style but this is, of course, weather dependent and so we have to take it to the wire. Rehearsals with Laura will continue. Watch this space!

# Meet the Parents - events next Monday and Wednesday

Meet the Parents is a well-established forum for parents to hear from other parents about our local state schools. They are holding two virtual events in June for primary school parents deciding where to send their children for secondary. Families from Acland Burghley, Camden School for Girls, La Sainte Union, Parliament Hill and William Ellis will be answering any questions you might have about their school experience next Monday June the 14th from 6 to 7pm.

To register free please go to https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/152115506575.

They will be running a similar event with families from Haverstock, Regent High School, Maria Fidelis, UCL Academy and Hampstead schools on **Wednesday June the 16th**. Please go to https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/152120742235

#### Estate Agent boards

Thank you to all the families who have agreed to host a Marsh & Parsons estate agent board. These will be put up early next week. This gets our Fair fundraising off to a great start with £1500 sponsorship!

## Help needed at home?

Tania's lovely eldest daughter Caitlin (ex-EP and now at Camden Girls) has finished her GCSEs and so is off for the summer and keen to find work! She has babysitting and dog walking experience, so if you are looking for some help with either please give her a call or text on 07484110790 or email <a href="mailto:cm">cm</a> which is the control of the

#### Maths Success

As uplifting as our amazing 2021 UKMT Maths results was a) the number of children who gave it a go (54) and b) the wonderful warmth and joy from all the classmates and teachers who cheered their medallist friends as we announced the results this week. It really is testimony to the children's sense of community and shared endeavour.

300,000 sit this annual challenge nationally which is aimed at Years 5-8 with the majority of participants from selective schools. The top 5% attain gold, the next 10% silver and the next 25% bronze.

Congratulations to: Lawrie and Amina (Y4); Emmanuel and Amelie (Y5) Hector, Megan, Alex, Elektra, Elsie, Zubair (Y6) all of whom attained bronze. Jake (Y4) Keira, Iseult (Y5) Mateen, Flora, Toby, Lorcan, Yana, Brody (Y6) with silver and Hugo, Artian and Luz (Y6) who attained gold!

Hugo and Artian were in the top 10,000 and so go on to the Kangaroo round and Luz reached the dizzy heights of **being in the top 1,200** and so enters the Junior Olympiad!

We are so proud of <u>all</u> our mathematicians. This success is the result of a love of maths and challenges that we begin in our Nursery!

#### **Assemblies**

All our recent assemblies came together over half term as, on the anniversary of the Tiananmen Square Protests (June  $4^{th}$ ), the Bing search engine returned a 'zero search' for images of 'Tank Man'. Censorship by the Chinese government perhaps? Bing blamed 'human error'. They should have used Ecosia!

With best wishes,

Kate Frood and staff