







ENRICHMENT NEWS

The autumn term has culminated in events and performances which show how studying subjects for whole terms, making connections between history, geography, performance and art, makes learning meaningful and helps it to stick. Our Year 5 and Year 4 plays demonstrated this, with pupils bringing together what they'd learnt in the classroom, on trips, in workshops and through music. What joy was had too!

Highlights of our enrichment this half term have included Dragonfly Tales visiting Year 5 to tell Norse myths, Year 4 visiting The Museum of London, Year 1 visiting St Paul's and The London Transport Museum, Year 3 at The Charles Dickens Museum, and Year 4 going to The Heath to learn map skills. Year 6 completed their intensive swimming course, and Coach Martin arranged multiple inter-school tournaments. All pupils at our school benefit from enrichment and these lifechanging experiences must continue.

The generosity of our school community knows no bounds. It's evident in the food bank baskets which have been filled three times in just a few days. It's evident in the time people spend washing up after school events. It's there when parents rally to create costumes for every child in a class play. This spirit is something that we never take for granted, that we thank you for, and which makes EP very special; we need it to continue in order to Keep it EP!

DONATE

Thank you so much to those families who already donate. With current donations, we have £18,350 for this academic year to put towards all EP's enrichment. Our annual aim is to raise £100,000.

It is increasingly hard for many people to donate money in the current climate so if you *are* able to do so, this is a way of helping all the children in our community by **giving our school secure predictable income.** You can donate one off amounts, or set up a monthly direct debit... just scan this QR code with your phone camera!

YOUR HELP

Builders, architects, designers and carpenters!

We need your help to design and potentially build a shed-like structure to store 'loose parts' to make our playtime more collaborative and creative!

Here's an idea of the type of structure we need.

If you can help,
please contact Rosie Thomson
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PTA & EVENTS

Upcoming spring term events are:

- Fridays 27th Jan, 24th Feb, 25th March- Stay and Play, 9 - 9:30am
- Thursday 2nd March World Book Day
- Wednesday 8th March Bingo, 6:30 8pm
- Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th March Parent and Carer Progress Meetings, 4pm - 7/6pm
- Friday 31st March Egg Race during the day

MATCH FUNDING & GRANTS

Many employers offer schemes to 'match' donations you make to charity - donating pound for pound, a set amount, or for the time you volunteer. Eleanor Palmer is a Charitable Aid Foundation (CAF), so **donations** are tax effective for employers to deduct. Please find out if your employer has a scheme... or suggest one if they don't!











Thank you to our PTA chairs, pictured above, who have taken such a brilliant lead this academic year, and who, in turn wish to thank all of you for helping and supporting our Winter Fair and weekly snack sales:

Andrea (Helena and Eve), Francis (Ariella and Rose), Arun (Elsie K) and Ben (Elsie M).

Thank you to everyone who helped set up, clear up, work on a stall, dress up, decorate, mull wine, create hampers, donate to the chocolate tombola and who was part of our wonderful Winter Fair!

Special thanks to a demon team from Year 1 who secured raffle and hamper vouchers from seemingly every retailer and business in NW5!

Together we raised more than £5,000, which supports enrichment in our school for every pupil.



Thank you to Gez, Emma, and Peter (Molly and Bella) for getting in touch with Father Christmas and ensuring he was represented in the grotto by an incredible FC and elf!

Thank you to Naina (Indi and Arya) for visiting both Nursery and Reception to tell them all about Diwali, and to Thibault (Lou and Marcus) for telling Nursery about life in Paris.

Thank you to Malcolm (Xavi's grandad) for making multiple wooden shields for the Year 4 play, and to Francis (Ariella and Rose) for talking to Year 4 about Roman Londinium and showing wonderful artefacts.

Thank you to Aoife (Fiadh and Éile) for sharing subscriptions to Aquila and National Geographic magazines, and thank you to Stevie, Sidonie and their families for toy donations to Early Years.

And finally, thank you to everyone who volunteers to come on trips, runs a club, or helps at the snack sale. All of this Keeps it EP!