

# EP RESPECTFUL COB

Thursday 12th January 2023

## SPRING 2023 - WHOLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

**Talk to your child about...**

... **What type of community they want to be part of?** We started by learning what a community is, giving examples of a family, a school, a club or team. We talked about what makes a community strong and also how **different families** can be, all with the **same love!**

... **Learning poetry off by heart!** We have been talking about learning poems off by heart and the whole school has looked at the website, <https://www.poetrybyheart.org.uk> which has a huge bank of poems chosen because they're great to read aloud. Teachers will be choosing poems that children might want to learn to perform, but it would be great if you could **browse the website** (particularly Year 3-6) and choose a poem that your child particularly loves. There is an optional competition run by Poetry By Heart, where finalists perform at Shakespeare's Globe for any Juniors who are keen!

**Tomorrow Friday 13th January**

Year 5 Thames Explorer trip

Year 6 Snack Sale

## NEXT WEEK 16TH - 20TH JANUARY

### Monday 16th Jan

8am - Year 5 & 6 Dodgeball & Gym Club  
3:30pm - Junior Football Development

### Tuesday 17th Jan

8am - Year 3 & 4 Dodgeball & Gym Club  
3:30pm - Football Squad

### Wednesday 18th Jan

Year 1 are visiting the Florence Nightingale Museum

### Thursday 19th Jan

8am - Year 1 & 2 Dodgeball & Gym Club

### Friday 20th Jan

8am - Junior Girls' Multisports  
Year 3 to the CLC  
Year 5 host Snack Sale after school  
3:30pm - Junior Gym Squad



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## Big delivery

On Saturday 21st you may spot a large crane in the Home Zone! This is the very exciting delivery of our new building that will sit behind the Junior block, providing a small new learning space with an adjoining sensory room. It will also incorporate a new PTA shed and bike storage. We have yet to decide what we will call this new building - EP already has the Lab, the Shed and the Greenhouse - we will be asking the children to vote on a name when it is in situ.

## Sports Clubs for Year 1-6

Spring term clubs before and after school have begun and families should have received an email last term about which clubs your child can attend. It's not too late to sign up if you haven't already done so - just sign up through the email links and ask the office to resend as needed.

## Nursery 2023

A reminder to families with siblings turning 3 years before August 31st to apply for Nursery September 2023. Please don't assume that we know! Application forms are in the school office. Please also encourage friends and neighbours to submit their applications before the end of February.

## CBC Night

Last summer saw the return of our Celebration of Black Culture Night. Hosted in our playground, our community came together with music and food to celebrate black culture and heritage. For many years Angela Ross has led on this with a group of families, but she has stepped down from this particular role. In order for this wonderful event to take place again in the summer we need volunteers to lead and organise this party. Please let us know if you would like to get involved.

## Thank you

To Ellie in Year 3 for this week's border design.

We will be sending home class curriculum letters and knowledge organisers tomorrow instead of the usual yellow newsletter. Please look out for these important letters and let us know if you don't receive one.

With best wishes,

Sally Hill and Natalie Stevenson.



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