



Thursday 9th March 2023

WHOLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - SPRING 9

Ask your child about...

- ... oracy, democracy and voting for the staff match box!
- ... creativity and why it's valued in our community.

We talked about these in our **Big School Meeting this week.**

Tomorrow Friday 10th March

9am - **Shed Talk** - Join Lacey Cousins and EP parent governor and Camden councillor Nanouche Umeadi for a drop-in session to talk about the **cost of living crisis**. Find out about available support and how to access it, or to share experiences. Informal drop-in with tea and coffee provided.

Year 1 host the Snack Sale

Book Fair continues in Junior resource area

The PTA are hosting a table for EP at Camden School for Girls on Saturday. Please bring donations to sell and leave in EP entrance. Thank you!

Next Week 13th - 17th March

Year 3 continue swimming on Monday, Tuesday and Friday afternoon

Monday 13th March

- Last morning for the Book Fair
- 8am - Year 5 & 6 Dodgeball & Gym Club
- Y1 and 2 go to Cecil Sharp House for an OAE rehearsal
- Reception have a workshop with the CLC in school
- 3:30pm - Junior Football Development

Tuesday 14th March

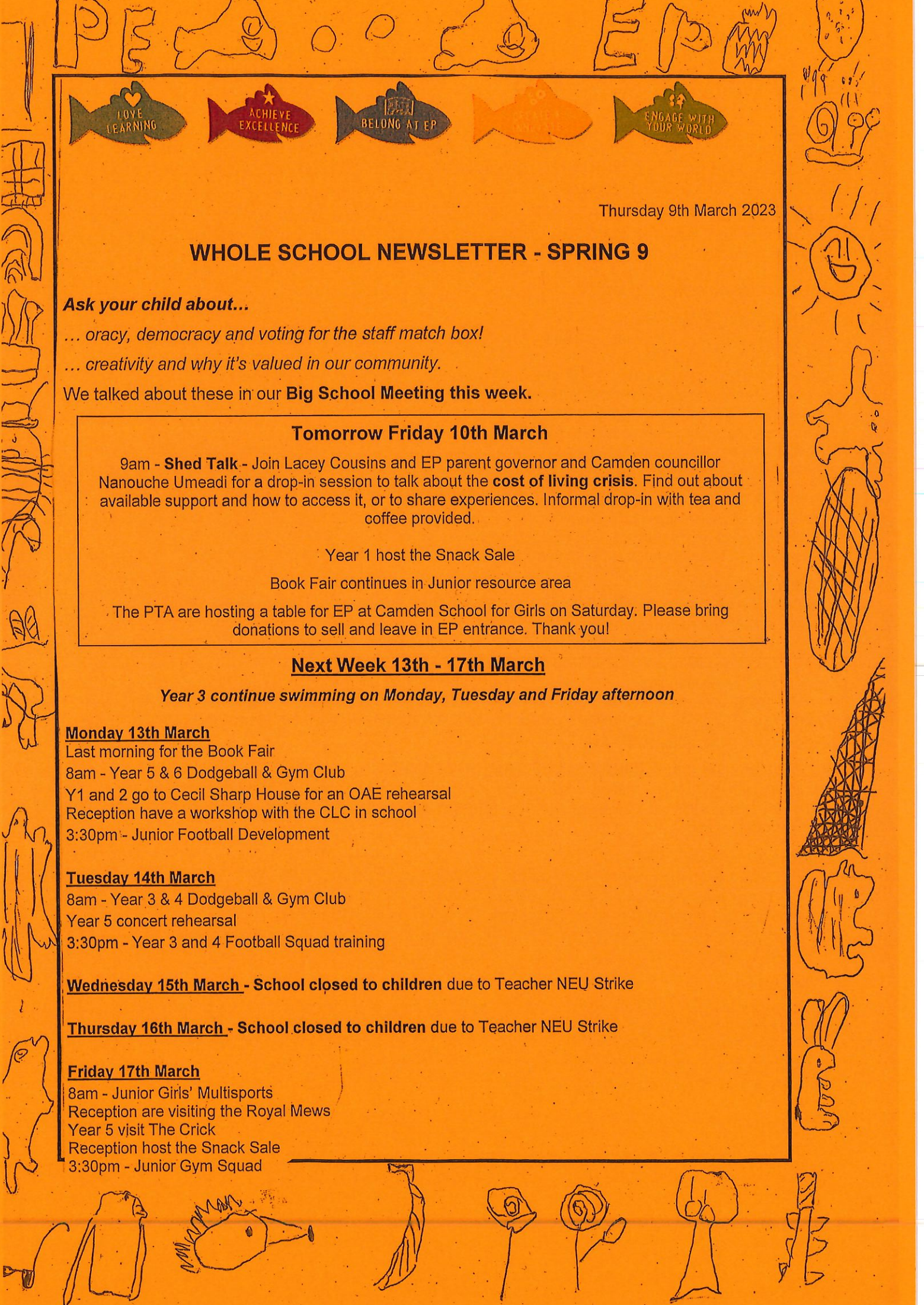
- 8am - Year 3 & 4 Dodgeball & Gym Club
- Year 5 concert rehearsal
- 3:30pm - Year 3 and 4 Football Squad training

Wednesday 15th March - School closed to children due to Teacher NEU Strike

Thursday 16th March - School closed to children due to Teacher NEU Strike

Friday 17th March

- 8am - Junior Girls' Multisports
- Reception are visiting the Royal Mews
- Year 5 visit The Crick
- Reception host the Snack Sale
- 3:30pm - Junior Gym Squad





Royal Academy Young Artists Summer Show

Reminder that the deadline is approaching for the RA Young Artists' Exhibition. For ages 4 - 19, competition winners show their work in the online gallery, with some lucky children exhibiting at The Royal Academy itself. Email Sophie@eleanorpalmer.camden.sch.uk by **Friday 24th March** to submit. Send with a short description including title, size, and a little about the artwork and why you made it.

<https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk/>

Engineering Awards

The Engineering Leaders' Award is a competition open to children to encourage engineering and response to the question: *If you were an engineer, what would you do?* If you've lost the full details we have spare information sheets in the office. Please hand entries in to Mr Cairns in Year 3 ahead of the deadline of **Wednesday 22nd March**.

The 21st Great EP Egg Race

Thinking of engineering, it is time to hatch a plan for entries into the annual Eleanor Palmer Egg Race, a wonderful EP tradition. This will be the 21st EP Egg Race and is one of the favourite events in the EP calendar and not to be missed. It takes place on the last day of term, **Friday 31st March**.

Nursery, Years 1, 3 and 5 race at 9.15am and Reception, 2, 4 and 6 at approximately 10.45am; however, we can't be exact. Tom and Sophie will explain it all to new families in Nursery and Reception. Parents and carers are invited to watch the races.

The all-important rules are coming home today. We stick to these to the letter and that's half the fun, so if in doubt check with your teacher ahead of time to make sure your entry sits within them.

Camden School for Girls Boot Sale - Saturday 11th March

The CSG Boot Sale is a calendar event for many in NW5! Our PTA will be hosting a table to raise funds for EP and need your donations. Please bring donations tomorrow and leave in the entrance. Head to the Boot Sale at CSG between 2:30-4:30pm to pick up a bargain and say hello to the EP table!

Holiday Sports Camp

Coach Martin's company Pro-Revo will be hosting a holiday camp here at EP again this Easter.

- Week 1 Monday 3rd - Thursday 6th
- Week 2 Tuesday 11th- Friday 14th
- Short day 9am-3pm or extended day 8:45am - 3:30pm
- Age: 5-12 year olds
- Activities: football, dodgeball, gymnastics, basketball, cricket, dance, hockey, tennis and more!

Email prorevolution.development@gmail.com for more info and for availability and book through www.prorevo.co.uk/category/camps

Save the date - Run Kids Run fun run - Sunday 14th May 2023

So many of you took part in this last year - brilliant fun and a fantastic fundraiser. We've signed up again and it takes place this year on Sunday 14th May. Please save this date and we'll share more information as plans are finalised.

Still to come this half term

- **Year 5** will perform in a **Strings Concert** at 2:30pm on Tuesday 21st March
- **Year 4 dance performance at The Place** - Tuesday 28th March
- **Parent Progress Meetings** - Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th March
- And of course, the Eleanor Palmer **Great Egg Race** takes place on the last day of term, Friday 31st March!

Thank you

To our wonderful PTA and parent community for all of your support in making last night's **Bingo Night** a real success, **raising £1,100** for the school. Well done to all of our winners on the night; Sasha in Year 6, ex-pupil Alex, Indi in Reception, Bella in Reception, Miya in Year 6, ex-pupil Georgia and Amrita in Year 1 who won the grand prize of £30!

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

With best wishes,

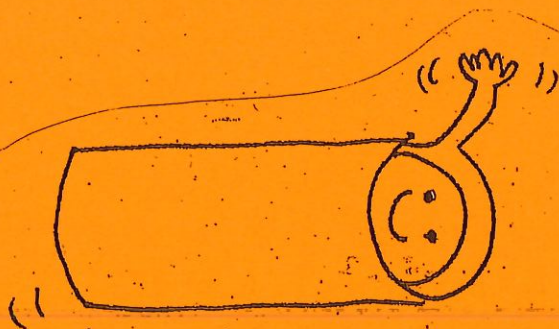
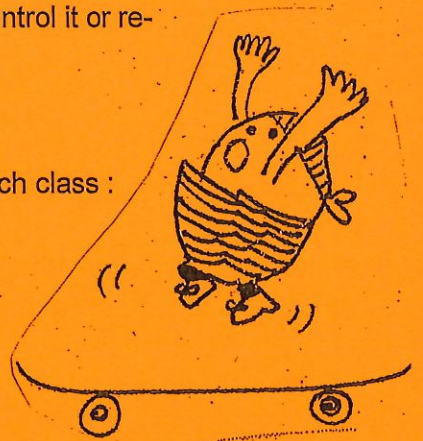
Sally Hill and Natalie Stevenson.

RULES OF THE 21st ELEANOR PALMER GREAT EGG RACE

1. The egg-mobile must carry a chicken's egg.
2. The egg must be hard boiled.
3. The egg-mobile is to be designed and built out of school.
4. As far as possible, the egg-mobile must be made without help from grown ups.
5. You may work on your own, in a pair, group or family, but the egg-mobile may only be entered for one class race.
6. Each egg-mobile will have an independent run on the course.
7. No mains electricity may be used to power or move your egg mobile.
8. Batteries are allowed.
9. No living creature may be used as an egg-mobile.
10. If the egg-mobile uses its own source of power, it will be released from a slope. If it uses another source of power e.g. air, battery, it will start from a flat surface.
11. Once your egg mobile leaves the start, you may not push it, pull it, control it or re-start it.
11. Please do not use any glass in your design.
12. Each class has their own race. There are 4 winning categories for each class :
 - The most beautifully decorated
 - The most original design
 - The greatest distance travelled
 - The wittiest
13. The judges' decision is final.

If you need advice about your egg-mobile or a piece of equipment that you don't have at home, please ask a teacher.

GOOD LUCK!



Primary Engineer Leaders Award

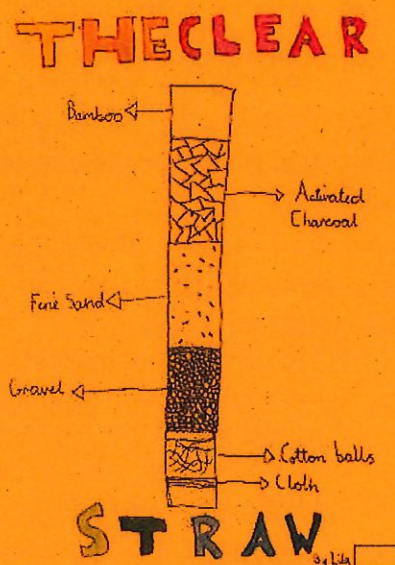
All the classes in school will be finding out more about engineering and watching some interviews with a range of engineers from rocket designers to laser specialists. On the back of this, many children are keen to get going with their entry for the **Primary Engineer Leaders Award**. The question to respond to is: **"If you were an engineer - what would you do?"** and the idea is that children identify a problem and invent a solution to it. This problem could be a local, national or even global.

Over the last few years, Eleanor Palmer students have had many successes in the competition. Last year, Isabelle in Year 6 won the overall competition for London and the South East!



To enter the competition, children need to complete two tasks:

1. Illustrate and annotate the invention (see example above). Please can the children write their name, their year group and the name of their invention on the back of their design.
2. Write a pitch letter to try and persuade the panel why their design should be made (please read the attached guidance)



We want to impress the judges with our ideas. **Presentation is vital. Letters should be copied in best or typed up.** It's also important that the children check their spellings (It's always helpful if they can read through their letters with someone at home).

This is not compulsory, but we hope that children will have some inspired ideas and enter! Maybe you could have your design built by a team of engineers (like former pupil Eben!) or have your work displayed at a public exhibition at Kingston University.

All inventions should be submitted to me by **Wednesday 22nd March**. Now it's time to **GO ENGINEER!**

Thanks,
Craig