

ELEANOR PALMER PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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Thursday 12th September 2013

Dear Families,

TONIGHT!

6.30pm and 7.15pm 'Meet the Teacher' Evenings for Years 1 to 6. Ahead of our one to one meetings with individual parents, each teacher will do a short introductory talk about the year ahead and explain what lies ahead, routines and expectations for the class and ways in which parents can support. There will of course be time for questions too. Because many of you have two or more children each teacher will talk at 6.30pm and then again at 7.15pm. I will ring a bell at changeover time! This is a good opportunity to meet up with other parents in your class too. NB Year 6 start at 6.15pm as there is so much to say and we need an hour per group.

Events in school next week, 16th - 20th September (Clubs and 8am football starts - see over!):

Monday 16th

Year 3 are off to the Ragged School dressed as Victorians, to experience a re-created Victorian classroom!

Wednesday 18th

9-11 Open Morning at Camden School for Girls

The 'Moving On' secondary school event for parents of Year 5 and Year 6 pupils takes place at ORT House, 126 Albert Street, Camden Town, NW1 7NE from 4-6.30pm. You must register your interest by Monday 16 September. Email your name, address and your child's current primary school to MovingOn2013@camden.gov.uk or call Philip McCorkell on 020 7974 6649 between Monday and Thursday, 9am to 5pm.

7.30pm- AGM of our PTA. See below!

Thursday 19th

Wow - Year 5 are having a fencing lesson as part of their study of the Tudor period!
María Fidelis Open Evening 4-7pm

Friday 20th

9-11 Open Morning at Camden School for Girls

First Cake Sale of the year hosted by Year 3. See overleaf for all dates.

Thank you

To Nell Peters in Year 4 for this week's border design.

AGM of the PTA

Please join us next **Wednesday 18th September** at 7.30pm for the first meeting of the year, and the AGM of our PTA. A special invitation to new parents. We will have a review of last year, hear about funds we have, make plans for events this term, elect new officers and agree how to spend last year's money! Some proposals on the table include: contributing to our lovely new Nursery playground, helping fund a permanent metalwork history timeline in the playground; installing hand-swipe automatic flushes on our toilets or new fitted storage in a couple of classrooms. Please come! There are many ways you can contribute to Eleanor Palmer life: playing an active role in whole school events is one we staff really appreciate.

Parent Governor Election

We are really keen to appoint two new parent governors. If you are interested in applying please complete the nomination slip below and write a 300 word pen picture of yourself setting out why you would be good in the role and send it with a recent portrait photo to Sarah in the office (admin@eleanorpalmer.camden.sch.uk) by **Friday 20 September**. Candidate's details will be made available to the parent community for a ballot based election to be held on Thursday and Friday of the following week. If you want more information about what being a governor entails please do contact



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Sarah Hodgetts, our current Chair of Governors, shodgetts@googlemail.com, talk to other parent governors or talk with me.

Cake Sales this term!

A long standing and much enjoyed tradition here, is that almost every Friday, classes take turns to buy or makes cakes and biscuits which are then sold after school with all the takings going into School Fund. You can drop cakes off in the morning, or bring them at 3.30pm. Three or four parents need to volunteer to set up and man the stall from 3.15pm as it's hectic! Here are the dates; please make a note of your dates:

Friday 20th Sept	Year 3	Friday 25 th Oct	Year 4
Friday 27th Sept	All - Macmillan*	Friday 8 th Nov	Year 6
Friday 4 th Oct	Year 2	Friday 15 th Nov	Reception
Friday 11 th Oct	Year 1	Friday 22 nd Nov	Nursery
Friday 18 th Oct	Year 5		

As it is Macmillan Cancer Support's 'Big Coffee Morning' on the 27th we thought we would raise money for this brilliant charity on that day. Cakes welcome from anyone!

Babysitting

We have a lovely new teaching assistant called Eve in Year 5 who is keen to find some extra work after school and in the evenings. If you'd like to meet her ask in the office!

This term's clubs

In addition to our excellent after school playcentre, staff run some FREE clubs, aimed at specific classes and lasting for a term. We are grateful to parents too, who lead before school football time. They start next week. Letters to relevant classes with full details will be out in the next couple of days. If you are interested in Le Club Francais please call Claire Murat directly on 07740 943372: there is a charge. This term we will offer:

	8am	3.45pm
Monday	Football for Y2 and below ONLY IF MORE PARENT VOLUNTEERS COME FORWARD!	Spanish for Years 3-6
Tuesday	Football for Y 3-6 Thanks to parents John, Graham, Paul and Michael.	French Club run independently by Le Club Francais - for R-2 Football for Y6 Art for Year 1 Chinese for Years 2-6
Wednesday	Girls football for Yrs 4, 5 and 6 Thanks to parent Jayne	
Thursday	Football training for Year 4 with Coach Martin	
Friday		

I heard a rumour of parents offering netball before school which would be fantastic! Do let me know if you would like to offer something on a Friday: it is a bit football heavy I agree.

Keep those payments coming in!

Thanks to those of you who have returned trip slips and donations: please keep them coming before the deadline of Friday! Final instalments are due too for Year 5 and 6 School Journeys before the trip departs. Not long now!

With best wishes,
Kate Frood and staff.

ELEANOR PALMER PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION 2013

Name..... Parent of

Nominated by.....Parent of

Seconded by Parent of

I attached a personal statement. Please return to the office by Friday 20th September. Thank you!



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