

ELEANOR PALMER PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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Thursday 15th May 2014

Dear Families,

TOMORROW
Cake Sale hosted by Year 5

It is our Floor Election!

All pupils will be invited to cast a vote about which new floor to have in the junior block. The options, from the same company who supplied our entrance hall floors are: meadow, pebbles or Autumn leaves (with an option for pebble patches, puddles and grassy patches within that).

The election will be run by Year 6. There are party leaders and campaign teams as well as returning officers, tellers etc. The class is to be fully supported by Camden Electoral Services.

The Polling Station will be the Shed and voting will be open, to pupils and staff only, from 8.30-1.30 with results announced in an assembly at 3pm. Critically, we are not reminding the children to vote - they must take personal responsibility. The forecast is for fine weather so we are hoping for a good turnout!

Events in school next week, 19th - 23rd May:

Tuesday 20th

Year 1 are going to the CLC.

Year 5 are going on an Eleanor Palmer first: a trip to Queen Mary's College (University of London) Centre of the Cell, a brilliant bio-medical research lab about cells...

Year 4 Camden Football finals - see over!

Wednesday 21st

Nursery have a visit from Freshwater Theatre.

Summer Concert auditions - see over.

6.30pm Full Governing Body meeting.

Thursday 22nd

It's the *real* Local Election Day! Make sure you vote...don't be an 'idiot'...ask the children! Please take the children with you if possible so they see democracy in action.

Year 2 are doing a guided London Walk all about the Great Fire of London and are visiting the Museum of London.

Friday 23rd

Year 6 Cake Sale.

Our 2014 Day for Change. What will your group be learning!? Please come to school in comfy clothing and trainers so that if your group does something active you are dressed for it! Importantly, please remember to bring a donation for UNICEF.....

We finish for the half term break. Please remember that we have our last INSET day of the year on Monday 2nd June and so children return on Tuesday 3rd June.

Thank you!

To Lara Donald in Reception for this week's border design.



Congratulations

To Year 6 ...the tests are over. You were all brilliant: super resilient and positive. Now there is a fabulous half term planned, focussing on your futures including exciting visits to the Royal Courts of Justice and the Houses of Parliament!

To both our Girls' and Boys' Year 4 football teams are through to the finals of the Camden competition! Supporters again please - 4pm behind the Lido next Tuesday! The support was

BGT and X Factor Raffle - please support the excellent Camden Music

I HAVE DONE THIS! IT IS SO SIMPLE AND YOU GET AN EMAIL WITH YOUR RAFFLE TICKET NUMBERS. PLEASE SUPPORT!!

Next week is your last chance! It closes on **WEDNESDAY 21st**. Our target is £20,000 and we are only at £1560...

<https://mydonate.bt.com/events/2014rafflebgtandxfactor>

Make sure you leave an email address so you are notified when you win!

Can you help?

Natalie's (Nursery) son Menelik is planning a gap year after his A levels and is trying to find relevant work experience in an airport or with an airline, but hasn't had any luck. This is to fulfil a lifelong dream of becoming a pilot. He has a little flying experience (he isn't expecting work experience in the cockpit!) and is available after August. We wondered if any parents have any contacts that may be able to help, as Natalie is drawing a blank? We would be most grateful for any assistance. Thank you!

Musicians and singers for the Summer Fair - Saturday 5th July

Live music is a special part of the Summer Fair and we have always been lucky to have musical families volunteer to play and sing. Any parents or children interested in joining this year's band please contact Lee Elliot-Major (dad of Jack in Year 6 and Maddy Year 4) at lee.elliottmajor@suttontrust.com

2014 Day for Change - Friday 23rd May

We have a recently established tradition of ending this half term with a 'Day for Change' inspired by UNICEF. This year, UNICEF are asking us to focus on Article 28, the Right to an Education, and the global focus is on the 57 million children who do not have access to even a basic education.

To focus the children on this huge inequality, we have a big plan! We have organised 14 mystery workshops....children from Reception to Year 6 will be divided into groups of 15 (2 from each class) along with ALL members of staff and everyone will 'learn something new!' Groups and workshops will be revealed in a 9am assembly, workshops will then happen in the morning - both in and out of school - and in the afternoon we will gather together again to share our learning and to reflect on just how lucky we are to have access to education. And of course we would like children and parents to make donations to UNICEF. So:

- Please make sure your child comes to school in trainers and loose sensible clothes - ideally leggings or tracksuit bottoms (just in case your mystery workshop involves physical activity...)
- Please give them a donation for UNICEF and this really important cause.

It is going to be a brilliant day!

Concert Auditions- next Wednesday 21st May

Our Summer Concert is now in its 4th year. It is a real highlight of the school year. It is an evening celebrating all the different musical activity that children are involved in, both in but mainly out of school. All children are encouraged to audition and all musical styles are encouraged: it is not exclusively instrumental or classical.

To ensure that we maintain a high standard of performance, all interested children are invited to audition on Wednesday 21st May with Laura and me. Please make sure they have their instruments and music if relevant.

With best wishes,
Kate Frood and staff.

