

ELEANOR PALMER PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER  
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Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2014

Dear Families,

**THIS SATURDAY**

**Our Summer Festival! 12-3pm**

We are all praying the rain stays away. A great day is planned with amazing food, sideshows and the first ever surf simulator!!! It's not too late to volunteer...make some delicious food, bring a bottle, donate for the Silent Auction, and bring in good quality goods to sell. We are specifically looking for a techy parent who might help staff run a pop up photo booth?! Please see me!  
If you want to help but can only give an hour, no problem- just sign up on the sheet as a helper and the PTA will find a role for you!

Children are welcome to dress up with the theme of Brazil, Fiesta, Mardi Gras and there will be a parade and costume prizes on stage at 2pm.

Silent Auction taster list attached!

Events in school next week, 7<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> July:

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup>**

Alternative appointments to see Tom Gibson (Y4)  
2pm We welcome all our new Reception pupils!

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>**

9.10am Re-scheduled Year 2 assembly. A chance to hear all about their fantastic camping trip!  
Alternative appointments to see Lizzie Lumb (Nursery) and Nancy Cumming (Y3).  
Year 5 are visiting the CLC  
Year 1 head to the Heath in the afternoon.

**PARENTS EVENING FROM 4.30-7.30.**

*Please make every effort to attend: it is a chance to look at your child's work, read their report and discuss next steps for further improvement. PLEASE SIGN UP FOR AN APPOINTMENT.*

*We will be chasing parents who haven't signed up yet!*

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>**

9.10am Nursery assembly. Parents are invited to share in their first ever performance. In the main hall!  
Year 2 have a third workshop with the Unicorn Theatre.  
Alternative appointments to see Fiona Crean (Y1), Anna McGrory (Y2), Natalie Stevenson (Y5) and Lucy Foster (Y6)  
Year 4 to the CLC  
6.30pm Full Governing Body Meeting.

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>**

At present a strike looks likely and so **school will be closed to pupils**. Huge apologies for the great inconvenience once again. To note: school members of UNISON and GMB (support staff) are not participating in the national strike.

Visits for new Nursery pupils **WILL** go ahead as planned in the morning.

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup>**

We say a huge goodbye and thank you to our three fantastic student teachers: Alex Sonkin, Sara Stokes and Jan Periton. They have been such a part of school life and we, staff and children, have loved having them around!  
Alternative appointments to see Helen Holgate (Reception).

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Thank you!

To Kai Kyriacou in Year 4 for this week's border design.

Congratulations!

What a wonderful Sports Day! Thank you to all children, parents and staff for helping to make it go so smoothly.

Free school lunches for infants from September!

The government is funding free school lunches for every child in Reception, Years 1 and 2 from September - a saving of hundreds of pounds a year for parents! We already have a huge take up - over 80% in these classes - but do need to know if the remaining few children will be switching. If your child currently has a packed lunch please let Sarah or Tania know before the end of term if you would like to switch to a school lunch.

Football sessions for Year 1 and 2

For the next two Tuesdays after school (8 and 15 July), there will be a football session for girls and boys in Years 1 and 2. Coach Martin and John from Regents Park Football Club who will be coaching and talent spotting too! Do let the office know if your child would like to join in.

Acland Burghley Arts Festival, Friday July 9, 4.30 - 8 pm

"Come and celebrate the arts and see fantastic GCSE and 'A' Level art work, at Acland Burghley's Arts Evening. Enjoy Pimms and refreshments, delicious BBQ and food, be entertained and do something arty at one of the drop-in workshops. There are fantastic raffle prizes to be won including a family ticket to the London Eye, dinner at The Vine, and a Hamper stuffed with treats! Free entry and open to all!"

And for EP parents, a chance to see the school!?

Parking vouchers

Staff as you know, cycle, walk or use public transport, but we do need to find parking for artists, visitors and tradespeople occasionally. As a business, we are not able to buy day vouchers anymore; we can only buy 1-2 hour vouchers. In the past parents have kindly donated these, or bought them on our behalf. If you were able and willing to do this we would be really grateful.

New parent governors

Dan Chamberlain has decided to step down as parent governor due to work commitments and so we find ourselves with three vacancies. I am therefore delighted that all three candidates, standing in the current election, Vicky Starmer (Toby Y1), Kirsten Walton (Asa Y4, Sam Y1) and Shanti Fricker (Danny Y5, Elsie Nursery) are duly elected.

See you all on Saturday at the Summer Festival!

With best wishes,

Kate Frood and staff.

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