ELEANOR PALMER PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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Thursday 5th February 2015

Dear Families,

Events in school next week, 9th - 13th February:

Family BINGO - TONIGHT!

It starts at 6.30pm and we are usually done by 8pm. Entrance is £3 which buys you 9 consecutive games of BINGO. Snacks, drinks and very special 'BINGO blobber' pens will also be on sale. This is a really fun family event for everyone. Who can forget Evelyn Teague winning two rounds in 2013 including the £30 bonus round! What is the probability of that from a crowd of well over 100? See you later! We start the first round promptly so don't be late!

TOMORROW

Year 5 host Cake Sale!
Year 4 re-scheduled trip to the Faraday Museum

Monday 9th February

8am Early morning football for Key Stage 1. Don't be late!
Sewing Club for Years 5 and 6.

Tuesday 10th

8am Early morning football for Key Stage 2. Don't be late!
Year 3 trip to both the Science and the Natural History Museums.
Safer Internet Day- teachers will be reminding children how to use the internet safely.
French Club after school.

Wednesday 11th

Art Club, this term for Year 5.

Thursday 12th

8am Early Morning Football with Coach Martin for Year 3.
Code Club and Latin Club.

Friday 13th

8am Girls' Ball Skills Club with Coach Martin.
All four Key Stage 2 classes are going to see 'Britain's Best Recruiting Sergeant', based on World War 1, at the Unicorn Theatre. Packed lunches for all.
Year 4 Cake Sale.

Remember then that the following week is half term! School is closed to pupils from Monday 16th - Friday 20th. We re-start on Monday 23rd February.

Thank you

To Django Stout from Year 2 for this week's border design.

Childcare

Now that her son is grown up, our Natalie in Reception has time on her hands! If anyone would like to employ her for weekend or school holiday child-care do find her in Reception.

There's also a poster up from Francesca, my cousin's daughter, who is currently studying in London and who is local and keen to build up a babysitting work!

Parents' Evening - Thursday 26th February, the week straight after half term

Teachers will be putting timetables up on Monday, outside their classrooms, for appointments to see them for an important mid-year review of progress. Please make every effort to find a convenient time as it is so important to meet and talk to teachers in this way. As well as the evening, teachers all offer alternative daytime appointments during that week.

World Book Day - Thursday 5th March

We will be celebrating World Book Day this year and would like everyone to dress up as their favourite book character. More details nearer the date!

Attendance and punctuality last week - that 8.55am start is really working!

Class	Attendance	Punctuality
6	96.56	93.11
5	99.34	98
4	98.67	94
3	96.67	95.34
2	96.34	98.67
1	96.67	98.67
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Well done everyone!

Our special visitors from 'Challenge Partners' have gone. It was a very successful review and we are delighted that they confirmed Eleanor Palmer as '***firmly outstanding***'. Whilst this is not a full OfSTED, the team, led by an OfSTED lead inspector, look at school improvement strategies, achievement, teaching and learning.

We will share the full report next week when it arrives. On the postcards they wrote as they left (have you seen and read some of the other lovely postcards written by visitors? Just to the right of the main door into the inner entrance hall) they commented under 'What Went Well':

- "The school has an inspiring atmosphere where the love of learning is shared by everyone. All children and staff were very welcoming. The children were a delight to speak to."
- "The lovely welcome we were given by staff and pupils. It was lovely to hear the children talk so enthusiastically about their learning."
- "I enjoyed meeting all the staff and children at Eleanor Palmer. Benny was a great help in coding!

And their 'Even Better Ifs....'

- I wish I could stay all week."
- "We had more time to stay in this lovely school."
- "Your enthusiasm and love of learning could be bottled and shared with other schools."

Well done us!
With best wishes,
Kate Frood and staff