

ELEANOR PALMER PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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Dear Families,

TONIGHT -The Disco 6.30-8.30pm!

Disco helpers - huge thanks! Only those listed as volunteering to help will be allowed in before 6.30pm! Our disco is a highlight of the year and a great occasion for parents to socialise as well as children. It all starts at 6.30pm (and ends at 8.30pm) with our own DJ. Entrance will be £1 for adults and 50p for children. Hot dogs and popcorn will be on sale as will disco accessories. There will be a pay bar!

Please remember: children will not be allowed into the disco without a responsible adult, nor will large groups of children with one adult be allowed. School staff will be on the door to ensure that these important rules are adhered to for everyone's safety and enjoyment. Ex-pupils are more than welcome but again, must be linked to a responsible adult. Eleanor Palmer pupils and ex-pupils only please.

TOMORROW

Cake Sale hosted by Reception.
Year 5 have a Shakespeare Workshop
Year 3 are visiting the Camden Archives.
Last chance to shop at the Book Fair before school!

Events in school next week, 14th - 18th November:

Monday 14th

8am Early morning football for Years 1-2
Year 2 are visiting the British Museum.
French Club.

Tuesday 15th

8am Early morning football for Years 3-6.
Reception are going to the Tate Gallery.
The 2016 Primary Maths Challenge - see below!
3.30 - Art Club.
3.30 - 4.30 Homework Club with Angela and a teacher. Parents must attend alongside children!
3.30-4.30 Football Squad matches at Talacre against Gospel Oak, Kingsgate and The Rosary. Pick up at 5.45pm.

Wednesday 16th

Art Club starts for Year 5.

Thursday 17th

8am Year 4 Football with Coach Martin.
Year 3 are visiting the CLC.
Ukulele Club.

Friday 18th

Early morning Girls' Sports Club with Coach Martin.
Cake Sale hosted by Nursery.

Thank you

To Max Drayton in Year 3 for this week's border design!

The 2016 Primary Maths Challenge!

Next Tuesday afternoon, keen mathematicians from the juniors can give this national maths competition a go. There are gold, silver and bronze awards to be had and the chance of top scorers making a national final. Open to all in Years 5 and 6 and 'by invitation only' in Years 3 and 4 - it's hard! It makes a HUGE difference if you practise this weekend. Go to www.primarymathschallenge.org.uk and click on either the tab 'downloads' to find past papers to print off or 'online paper' to work through a paper on-line get the feel for it. Almost without exception, our previous winners have practised!!!

Refugee fundraiser

On Tuesday the 15th November we are having a fundraiser for The Kindness Tree - a charity which helps refugees across Europe, organised by parent Jane Gluckstein. Please bring a donation with you in the morning to drop into the tins tied to The Kindness Tree that we have created in school and together we can make money grow on trees so we can help the refugees!

If you'd like to decorate your own (empty) food tin and put some money in that one, we can hang that from the tree too. The best tins will be featured on our Kindness Tree Facebook page to show other schools how they can help too!

Raise money for EP shopping online!

Many online companies make donations to charities, so when you shop online you can help them donate to our very own PTA if you shop through easyfundraising.org.uk
3,000 shops and sites are registered with easy-fundraising including Amazon, John Lewis, Boots, eBay, Argos, Sainsbury's, Not on the High St, Only M&S and Nike.

In order for these shops to make the donation-

1. Head to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/eleanorpalmerschool/> and join for free.
 2. Every time you shop online, go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk site first and at the top enter the shop or site name into the 'Search for a retailer' search box. Click directly from here into the retailer's site and start shopping.
 3. After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to school for no extra cost to you.
- It is very simple, there are no catches or hidden charges and it's an easy way to raise money for school! It is just a case of remembering to do it!

Buy Your Christmas Tree at School

Please support the PTA to raise funds by buying your Christmas tree through school. The trees are Nordmann Fir (non-drop) and you can order in different sizes from 3ft up to 8ft. Order through the school office by Thursday 24th November and collect your tree at the Christmas Fair on Friday 2nd December. The trees are harvested sustainably and the supplier is a member of The British Christmas Tree Growers Association.

Tree Sizes and Prices:

3ft-4ft	£25
5ft-6ft	£35
6ft-6ft6	£40
6ft6"-8ft	£50

Young Engineers?

We are excited to announce that we will be taking part in the *Leaders Award 2017 Competition* during this academic year. The *Leaders Award* will be challenging Primary and Secondary pupils to research engineering, interview inspiring engineers and interpret the question "If you were an engineer - what would you do?" The award is a fantastic opportunity to engage our pupils with real engineers who will convey the importance of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) in their daily working lives. Pupils will be able to let their creativity run free and draw and write about how they interpret the question and come up with inventions and ideas. Last year over 10,000 pupils, from across the country, took part in the award and hundreds of shortlisted entries were displayed at public exhibitions in multiple venues, which were visited by hundreds of people. So...

Calling all engineers!

Are you a professional engineer or do you have links to the engineering industry? If the answer is YES, then we would be delighted to have your help and support as we embark on the *Leaders Award 2017 Competition*. Could you:

- Deliver a talk/presentation to a class about your job as an engineer?
- Allow pupils at the school to interview you about your career as an engineer?
- Put us in touch with local engineering companies?

If you are interested in helping please get in touch with teacher Craig Cairns! craig.cairns@gmail.com

School Council

Thanks to all the children who wrote such wonderful applications to be on School Council. Our 2016-17 School Council will be:

- Year 1 - Arlo and Tara
- Year 2 - Hugo and Esmee
- Year 3 - Cosmo and Isaac
- Year 4 - Tia and Eben
- Year 5 - Taha and Najiyah
- Year 6 - Sean, Sam, Elodie, William, Honor, Maceo.

Congratulations!

Please remember to

- Donate to your class hamper!
- Let Tania know if you will have an estate agent board advertising our Christmas Fair (40 raises £2000 for the school!) This is an extraordinarily easy way to raise money, so please come forward!
- Collect your Christmas cards

See you at the Disco!
With best wishes Kate Frood and staff



WINTER FAIR

Friday 2nd December 3-5pm
Only 3 WEEKS TO GO!!!

The Winter Fair is a highlight of the term for the whole family; there will be the Santa's Grotto, a Winter Café and plenty of stalls to buy seasonal treats including EP Christmas puds! Come along for a festive photo at the great photo booth; get lucky at the raffle with the chance to win a number of fantastic prizes including a £50 Sainsbury's voucher. Join in the bidding on the fabulous Christmas hampers; solve your present problems at the stalls and on your way home pick up your EP Christmas Tree!

WE NEED YOU!



Gifts - If you can make or donate.....

Festive handmade creative items to sell:

- Christmas decorations
- Chutneys
- Jams
- Biscuits & fudge
- Any other fabulous gift solutions!



Food for our Winter Fair – A great success last year!

- Cakes
- Savoury finger food
- Pastries
- Mince pies
- Sausage rolls, samosas etc.

Volunteers on the day to help set up and run a stall.

If you can help please contact Bandini: bandinishah@gmail.com or 07855675588 or Tania in the office. Thank you!



