

ELEANOR PALMER PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER  
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Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2016

Dear Families,

**TOMORROW**

Reception visit the CLC

Year 3 are visiting the Victoria and Albert Museum.

Dilek, our much-loved and long serving Nursery Nurse, will be in school for the last time at 10.20 in assembly, as we gather to say goodbye to her. Parents welcome!

Events in school next week, 12<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> December:

No clubs next week, other than Art Club catching up on a missed week and of course Breakfast Club and Playcentre running as usual. Lost Property will be on display all week at the school entrance - please look! At the end of term, all this and uncollected stuff from pegs, will go to charity.

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup>**

Giant end of term Miss Frood times tables test for Year 4! Nothing unlocks maths more than knowing your tables and we place great emphasis on practising and securing this vital knowledge. If they can be secured by the end of Year 4, it makes top juniors so much easier.

Year 4 open classroom at 2pm to share their Roman topic work.

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>**

It's Year 5's turn for their termly giant Miss Frood times table test!

We have our Christmas lunch together. We are joined by all our fantastic volunteer football parents and reading helpers.

Year 6 are singing carols at Euston station, raising money for The Mayor's Charity supporting the young homeless.

X Factor Boot Camp for all acts except Year 6. They will rehearse on Monday morning.

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>**

At 2pm, we gather together as a school to sing Christmas carols. This is always a lovely relaxed event and we welcome all parents BUT it is a real squash and a squeeze! Doors will not open before the children are safely in, at about 1.45pm. We make every effort to fit everyone in. It helps enormously if they are no prams and buggies. Children are asked to look festive! Think red, green, white...

3.30 - Art Club for Year 5.

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>**

It is Boot Camp all day for the X Factor! Acts must have their music organised, ideally karaoke tracks off the internet.

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup>**

We traditionally spend the last day of term having our own panto, in the style of a charity X Factor Contest. Louis Walsh, Cheryl Cole and Nicole Scherzinger are booked to join us as judges and Simon Cowell's brother is back in the country and able to be with us too! It all starts at 9.15 when each class puts up 2 acts. After every performance has been heard, there is a chance to vote. Votes cost 50p each. We always raise several hundred pounds for charity! At 2pm we gather again to hear which 3 acts top the vote and go through to the final...

### Thank you

To all the parents who run our 8am football clubs: Wanda, Gerd, Graham, Mike, Pietro, Winston, Tim, Sam, Evros and Alex.

Still nobody to thank for this week's border design. Do pop into my office for the template.

### Congratulations

To Year 5 who had a totally unique arts week. In the space of 5 days they performed live on stage at the X Factor, singing as a backing choir and then enthralled us all with a performance of Romeo and Juliet in full Shakespearean iambic pentameter! On both occasions they were fantastic. A huge thank you to the army of parents who supported the show - we couldn't do it without you and all your support is really treasured.

Well done too to our football teams. The boys close this term top of the league whilst the girls sit in 7<sup>th</sup> position. Importantly, both teams' joint fair play scores put us top of the Fair Play league. We are very proud.

### The Christmas Fair

What a lovely event! Not only did everyone have great fun, we raised an extraordinary £6,500 for the school (helped by £2000 from London Residential. Thank you everyone who allowed an estate agent board. This small way of helping really makes a difference!). We are also including Christmas card and tree takings. A huge thank you to all the parents and staff who helped to bring it altogether. Special thanks to Emma and Lily who mastermind the genius hampers (which alone raised £1290) and to Bandini who worked tirelessly for weeks and led us all in such a warm and positive way. Feet up now, until Bingo on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February!

### Martial Arts Club

Julian (Lila's dad in Y3) is a martial arts instructor. Earlier this term he was brilliant teaching EP Years 5 & 6 with Coach Martin. He also runs an after-school club at the church on Lady Margaret Road - Wednesdays and Thursdays at 4, ages 7-11. Julian has experience in several arts, he has been training for 17 years and has a black belt instructorship in Bruce Lee's Jeet Kune Do. Email [camdenmartialarts@gmail.com](mailto:camdenmartialarts@gmail.com) or call/text 07876660375 if you're interested in joining the club!  
[www.camdenmartialarts.com](http://www.camdenmartialarts.com)

### Jobs before the end of term

- Clear coat pegs;
- Pay debts;
- Return EP library books;
- Buy a tea-towel or two.

Term then finishes at 3.30pm on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December.

With best wishes,

Kate Frood and staff