

ELEANOR PALMER PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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Dear Families,

TOMORROW

Eleanor Palmer plays host to the 2017 Camden Spring Slam finals! 36 children from across Camden compete for the title of best in borough - at times tables knowledge and application.

Year 1 are going up London's tallest building, the Shard. The forecast is looking good.

Events next week, the last week of this term, 27th - 31st March:

No EP clubs next week! A huge thank you to our wonderful army of parent helpers who keep our early morning football going.

Monday 27th

We are delighted to welcome Dan Egan who is based in Sierra Leone at our partner school. He will be talking to us about how we can help children at the school through sponsorship. Parents are welcome to stay after drop off and join assembly at 9:10am.

Year 4 have their grand Eleanor Palmer tables test!

3:30pm French Club after school.

Tuesday 28th

3:30pm Drama Club will meet with Kate Renna.

Homework Club after school.

Wednesday 29th

Year 5 have their grand Eleanor Palmer tables test!

Tasty Tuckshop after school!

Thursday 30th

Our traditional Year 4 Show at 2pm, re-telling tales from the Caribbean. Parents welcome. Doors open at 1:45pm, no earlier!

Friday 31st

Term ends with our traditional Great Egg Race! Nursery, Years 1, 3 and 5 race at 9.15am and Reception, 2, 4 and 6 at approximately 10.45am. If it is wildly different from that time we will text during the morning.

Certificates of eggcellence and an Adults Race are at 2pm.

Term finishes at 3.30pm.

Thank you

To Hal Condou in Reception for this week's border design.

Well done!

Some wonderfully ingenious engineering entries. They have all been sent off so now we have to cross our fingers!

To our team of Theo (Y6), Ben (Y5), Lily-Grace (Y4) and Zion (Y3), representing us in the Camden Spring Slam tomorrow! I defy most adults to answer as many complex



multiplication and division questions as they (and other EP finalists) did, under pressure, head to head, in 1 minute!

Musical opportunity

Remember that Camden Music are auditioning for 30 children to join their New Voices Choir! Auditions are open to children in Years 4- 6 and take place next Tuesday 28th, Thursday 30th and Friday 31st March after school at the Crowndale Centre NW1 IBD. To book an audition slot please contact Sheena at Camden Music sheena.masson@camden.gov.uk. It would be great to see some of our talented singers go for this!

Staff changes

We are delighted to welcome back both deputy head Natalie Stevenson and teacher Nancy Cumming from their maternity leave after Easter. Natalie will be based in the Juniors for the Summer term and Nancy will be job-sharing Year 1 with Susie Yaffe, teaching the class on Thursdays and Fridays. Most parents know Nancy, who has been at Eleanor Palmer for several years. She will be in Year 1 on Tuesday to meet parents at morning drop off.

Birthday cakes

We are always delighted to celebrate your child's birthday with them in school by sharing a sweet treat BUT we do ask, and have always made clear, that any cakes must arrive at school in an easily shareable state i.e. not as a whole cake or tray bake. Staff time cutting and individually wrapping a big cake is time lost to supporting children. We really cannot accept any more cakes delivered in this way. Thank you.

Flash sale of EP sweatshirts for £5!

We hope to have some new season sweatshirts (new and exclusive 2017 colour combi!) for sale at the Summer Fair in July, so will be selling our remaining stock of blue and grey hoodies for only £5! We don't have all sizes available, but there are plenty stylishly over-sized for age 12-13 (34") plenty of age 5-6 (24"), and a few left in age 9-11 (32"). There is a mixture of sky blue, navy and grey, both with and without the zipped front. On sale tomorrow after school in the Cake Sale spot. They are really good quality and survive well!

Financial Year End and outstanding payments.

We need to reconcile school finances for financial year end at the end of March. This means all bank deposits and online payment processing must be completed by tomorrow so that we can complete our accounting and reconciliation in the last week of term. Please support us in this by settling all outstanding payments for school lunches, Breakfast Club, class trips and Year 6 strings tuition by the end of this week.

School meals increase from next term

Don't worry, only by 1p, to £2.35!

Farewell to Miriam

We say farewell at the end of this term to Miriam Cohen who, over several years, has inspired so many EP children in philosophy. We have loved sharing her thoughts and her ideas and she has really inspired staff and children alike. We will continue to use her ideas and approach.

With best wishes

Kate Frood and staff