

ELEANOR PALMER PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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Thursday 20th April 2017

Dear Families,

What a lovely rain-free Easter break. I hope you were all able to get out and enjoy the sunshine. The main work in school over Easter was the Lab and the wall is now secured so that demolition can continue! Hurray. We also installed air hand driers in the junior toilets.

And we welcome Nancy Cumming and Natalie Stevenson back! It is as if they haven't been away. Nancy will be seen in Years 1 and 2 and Natalie in the juniors. It is just lovely to have them back.

Events next week, 24th - 28th April:
Clubs start!

TOMORROW

After school practice for the forthcoming UKMT National Maths Challenge. In Year 5 classroom with Miss Frood. A one off - just turn up if you'd like to talk through a paper or two or collect a practice paper before the main event on April 27th! I will be there until 4.30pm. Parents welcome too!

Monday 24th

Early morning football for Years 1 and 2.

Tuesday 25th

Early morning football for Years 3-6.

Wednesday 26th

8am Governors' Curriculum Committee.
Year 3 to Skip Garden.
Tasty Tuckshop after school!

Thursday 27th

8am Governors' Resources Committee.
All Year 5 girls head off to a Young Women's Sports Day at Coram Fields.
Year 1 and Year 2 swim again.

It is the national UKMT National Maths Challenge aimed at Years 8 and below! This is an exceptionally challenging problem solving maths paper. It is open to everyone in Years 5 and 6 and by invitation only for Years 3 and 4. Every year we are so proud that about 60 EP-ers give it their best! The 2016 paper (and solutions!) is available online at www.ukmt.org.uk. Choose 'junior challenge'.

3.30pm Choir restarts for the Summer term including Year 3.

Friday 28th

Our first Cake Sale of the term hosted by Year 3 (see over for dates).

Thank you

To Elektra Rider in Year 2 for this week's border design.

Well done!

To our Swimming Team representing us in the Camden Gala today. Still swimming as this went to press!

Karate Classes at Rainbow

Year 1 Parents Basia and Rika are trying to generate some interest in a Karate Club on Thursdays at Rainbow Nursery. The Club needs 8 children to start up and costs £25 a month, with a term payable in advance. If you have a child aged 6-9 and are interested in joining, please contact Basia 07944 501813 or Rika 07939 255656 for more details.

Eleanor Palmer Can Spell!!!!

I hope children have begun to bring home tales of our new emphasis on spelling. If you see your child - or indeed anyone - wearing a sticker that says 'ask me how to spell'...then please do! This includes staff and - feel free to collect a sticker from the offis - parents too! So that you can all recall how spellings are learnt, (Do you practise by writing it? By saying it? Do you write it until it 'looks right?' Do you use your knowledge of sounds? Do you use your knowledge of other similar words? Can you recall rules? Do you look up its meaning and try to use it in a sentence? Do you use a mnemonic?) here is a list of 20 spellings for grown ups! We are not going to test you but it would be supportive of your child if you learnt some spellings too and let them test you!

Parents' Spelling Challenge

1. Embarrassment
2. Fluorescent
3. Accommodate
4. Psychiatrist
5. Occasionally
6. Necessary
7. Diarrhoea
8. Questionnaire
9. Mischievous
10. Possession
11. Millennium
12. Liaison
13. Supersede
14. Convalesce
15. Occurred
16. Harassment
17. Recommend
18. Pharaoh
19. Connoisseur
20. Definitely

Can I recommend a mnemonic for diarrhoea? *Dash In A Real Rush. Hurry Or Else Accident!*

Look out next week for a helpful attachment detailing ways to help spelling practice and an interest in words more generally.

Cake Sales this term

You're all old hands now! Please make a note of your dates for this term. All Fridays, please arrive at 3.15pm to set up. Donations can be left in the medical room at 9am if that suits:

28 April	Year 3	26 May	Day for Change
5 May	Year 4	9 June	Year 2
12 May	Year 5	16 June	Year 1
19 May	Year 6	23 June	Reception
		30 June	Nursery

With best wishes,
Kate Frood and staff

P.S Did you spot the deliberate spelling mistake?