

E.P # Eleanor Palmer

ELEANOR PALMER PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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Thursday 8th June 2017

Dear Families,

Events next week, 12th - 16th June:

TOMORROW

Stay and Play after drop off.
Year 1 are going to the Zoo.
Cake Sale hosted by Year 1.

Monday 12th June

School closed for staff INSET. This is the final such closure of the year.

Tuesday 13th

Early morning football for Years 3-6.
Athletics Squad training. Weather permitting, 3rd time lucky!

Wednesday 14th

8am Governors Curriculum Committee.
The School Photographer is in, to take both whole class and individual/family photos. As ever, Janet Collins is your woman if you have special requests.
Year 5 are visiting St Benet's Church.
Tasty Tuckshop after school!

Thursday 15th

8am Governors Resources Committee.
Early morning football for Year 2.
Choir after school.

Friday 16th

Cake Sale hosted by Reception.
Year 3 head to Kew Gardens.

The Great Get-Together Street Party

A shared lunch is being held in MP Jo Cox's memory all across Britain. We strongly support Jo's belief in tolerance, togetherness and fun and so our Home Zone will be one of many organising a street party, which will take place on **Sunday 18th June between 12.30 to 6pm.**

You should all have had a detailed leaflet and we hope you will support and participate by providing food for sharing, helping organise children's games and activities, and spreading the word. Please get in touch with Clio (07884 265 518) or Vicky (07957 655 608) to find out how you can help.

Thank you

To Ella Latter in Year 5 for this week's border design.

Day for Change - feedback

Article 24 (health and health services)

"Every child has the right to the best possible health. Governments must provide good quality health care, clean water, nutritious food, and a clean environment and education on health and well-being so that children can stay healthy. Richer countries must help poorer countries achieve this."

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We ended last half term with an excellent Day for Change. We raised over £500 which will be doubled by the charity, The Power of Nutrition to make our total over £1000. Some abiding memories of our day are:

- Instead of the average 14.5kg food waste at lunch, there was only 1kg of waste on the day it was rice only. Less choice? Less food? It has made us, as a staff, want to do more about food waste;
- There were some delicious banana pancakes made, from only over-ripe bananas and an egg. Recipe on our website!
- The children learnt just how much sugar there is in our processed food and drinks. Pasta sauce perhaps the greatest surprise/shock;
- We know that our money will help to provide Plumpy Nut emergency nutrition sachets to Liberia and beyond: ask your children about Plumpy Nut!

Thank you for your support and donations. This is a really important day in our school calendar.

Staff changes next year

We are very sad to be saying goodbye to Year 3 teacher Lucy Foster. She and her husband are moving to Bristol. Lucy has been with us for 6 years and has been a treasured teacher and colleague. We will miss her very much!

We have appointed an experienced teacher from another Camden School whom we know well. Charlotte (Charlie) MacCormick has an English degree and worked in theatre administration prior to teaching, but we have met through her more recent passion for primary maths. We know she will be a great addition to the EP team. So, we are in a position to confirm next year's classteachers. Always good to do early to avoid gossip!

- Nursery - Sophie Hartnell
- Reception - Helen Holgate
- Year 1 Susie Yaffe and Nancy Cumming
- Year 2 - Craig Cairns
- Year 3 - Charlie MacCormick
- Year 4 - Tom Gibson
- Year 5 - Maddie Heyes
- Year 6 - Rosie Thomson

This is an incredibly strong team, supported by a range of other great staff! Given national realities about teacher recruitment and retention, I feel very lucky as should you!!

Remaining extra events in the last half term of this year

- Tuesday 20th June - Camden Athletics for Years 5 and 6.
- Wednesday 21st June - EP's Summer Concert (Year 2 will perform early on because...)
- Thursday 22nd June/Friday 23rd June - Year 2's overnight adventure at the Mill in Surrey!
- Tuesday 27th June/Wednesday 28th June - Year 4's camping adventure in Epping Forest.
- Friday 30th June - Camden Athletics for Years 3 and 4.
- Saturday 1st July - International Summer Fair.
- Monday 3rd July - Visit afternoon for our new Reception class.
- Tuesday 4th July - EP Sports Day.
- Wednesday 5th July - our new Nursery children visit (so our existing Nursery closes at 12 noon)
- Wednesday 12th July - final Parents' Evening and the sharing of written end of year reports.
- Friday 14th July - Year 6 Leavers' Family Barbecue.
- Wednesday 19th July - Year 6 Leavers' Show at 2pm and 7pm.
- Friday 21st July - last day of term and a 1.30pm finish.

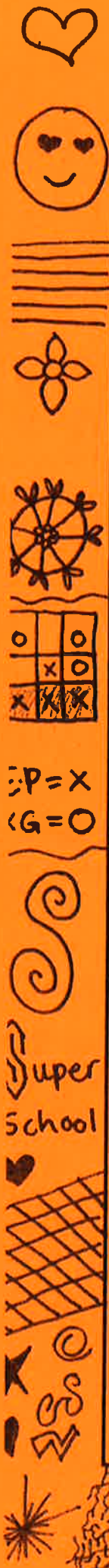
Phew!

This year's Parent Questionnaire is attached. Our governors do this once a year, and not just pre-OfSTED, so we can do a temperature check on how we are doing as a school. Please return to the post-box under the blackboard before next Friday 16th!

With best wishes,
Kate Froud and staff

P.S. Did you spot the deliberate spelling mistake?

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International Summer Fair Saturday 1st July 3 Weeks to Go!

I hope everyone is getting excited about this year's International summer fair. What a great way to celebrate the wonderful cultures of the children at EP.

There is going to be a free petting farm for the kids!

We are busy getting everything together, and you may have noticed boxes in the entrance.

We are collecting:

- Bottles (wine, sauces, cordials, pampering products etc).
- Cuddly toys
- Clothes
- Bric-a-Brac (anything that is gathering dust or that you no longer need e.g. DVDs, shoes, scooters, bikes etc.).
- Toys
- Books (Adult and Children's)
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International Food Stall

This is one of the highlights of the Summer Fair, this year we are asking families to join forces and make dishes that represent their countries. What a great way to get to know other families in your community and celebrate the diversity and variety of foods at EP school.

Silent Auction

If you have any tickets (to events, concerts, days out or experiences), can donate time (drama coaching, photography class etc) please get in touch with Sam Siddaway sidawaysam@gmail.com

Volunteers

If you can help set up, help on a stall or help clear up please sign up once the boards are up in the next week.

If you want to get involved in any way, please contact Bandini (Mob: 07855675588 or email bandinishah@gmail.com)

