

ELEANOR PALMER PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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Thursday 15th March 2018

Dear Families,

TOMORROW

Year 6 are visiting Camden Archives to research war-time Kentish Town.

Events in school next week, 19th - 23rd March.

Monday 19th

8am Early morning football for Years 1 and 2.

Year 6 are visiting the Jewish Museum.

Year 1 are visiting the British Museum.

Years 3 and 4 Football Squad practice for girls at lunchtime (there too many out of school club clashes to train at 3.30pm!)

Tuesday 20th

8am Early morning football for Years 3-6.

8am Running Club.

Year 5 have their second day flying! We have joined forces with Scarabeus, an international aerial theatre company and lucky Year 5 are learning about physics through doing **aerial dance!** Do look at the photos on the website!

Year 3 have a Viking workshop in school with Rainbow Theatre.

3.30 Homework Club and Football Squad practice for the Year 3 and 4 boys.

Wednesday 21st

Thursday 22nd

Year 3 and 4 Multi-sports with Coach Martin.

Year 6 will be running their own Sports Relief session. They've devised a fitness circuit to put Years 3-5 through their paces! Coach Martin will run a session with Reception, Years 1 and 2 to try to stay active for 60 minutes non-stop.

3.45 Chess Club for Years 3 and 4.

Friday 23rd

8am girls' Multi-sports Club with Coach Martin

9am Summer Fair planning meeting in the Shed. If you'd like to get involved, have ideas or simply want to find out more please join our PTA for a meeting!

We host the Camden Spring Slam! The top 10 schools in Camden will fight it out for the 4 crowns of best in each year!

Deadline for Young Engineer entries.

Thank you!

To Skye Parkhurst in Year 1 for this week's border design.

Young Engineer Project

Inspired by the engineers' visits last week, we've already had some ingenious entries into the Young Engineers competition. Reminder to submit entries to Mr Cairns in Year 2, or via the school office, by **Friday 23rd March!**

Financial Year End and outstanding payments

We need to reconcile school finances for the financial year next week. This means all bank deposits and online payment processing must be completed **by next Tuesday 20th** so that we can complete our accounting and reconciliation before 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 this deadline. Thank you.

Three important nags and reminders for parents!

The following are important reminders to parents, all important things which respect teachers' work and lives.

- Could we ask that junior parents don't wait in the Resource Area from 3.15-3.30? The central area is a teaching space and used every moment of the day. It needs to be respected as such and not as a waiting area;
- Could we also ask that parents don't use teachers' mobile numbers? In the interests of safeguarding, these are shared for trips but there is no suggestion that they are free to then use at other times. Staff in this school are exceptional in how they communicate - in person and by email - and this should suffice;
- The office is always busy especially in the first and last 30 minutes of the day! Calling between 3 and 3.30 with after school arrangements means staff leaving the office to relay messages to children. Please try to arrange things before the end of the day so children and class-teachers know the plan and the office is not left unattended.

Thank you!!

Help plan the Summer Fair!

The PTA core committee (including class reps) are having a Summer Fair planning meeting **Friday 23 March 2018** (9 to 10am in the Shed by Nursery). All welcome to attend, especially if you have ideas over entertainment or stalls and would be willing to see those ideas through to the fair and make them happen!

If you can't make the meeting but can help- please email hannahkogilvie@gmail.com. As usual, once a plan is set class reps will reach out to the wider parent community for support. The summer fair is our annual biggest fundraiser and only needs an hour or so of parent time contributions to make it spectacular! **This year's Fair is 1-3pm Saturday 30 June 2018.**

Congratulations!

A huge congratulations to all our singers and performers who took part in Camden's Music Festival on Monday. As well as all of Year 6 singing alongside 2,000 others, Amelia, Sophie and Shaima from Year 4 played in a Camden wide orchestra performing a premiere of a piece called 'Mind the Gap!' It was the most astonishing evening and something that the children (and all the parents and staff in the audience) will remember forever. We are very lucky to be part of a borough that so values music and that invests in all its schools to create these wonderful events. As an ambassador for Camden Music Trust, I must signpost the link to make donations: we have to raise about £100,000 a year to sustain the extraordinary level of provision. Go to <http://www.camdenmusictrust.org/> and click the orange donate button top right.

Hope the egg-mobiles are coming along nicely!
With best wishes

Kate Froud and staff