

ELEANOR PALMER PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Dear Families,

**TOMORROW**

Cake Sale, hosted by Year 5

Events in school next week 14<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> May:

Our brilliant Year 6 have a week of end of national primary assessment tests all next week - just another chapter in their vast canon of EP experiences and achievements!

School is open for breakfast, chat and relaxation time every day from 8.30am. Being on time makes for a calm and confident start. The traditional EP Dairy Milk will be available throughout each test - and do bring your own water! This weekend, what matters most, is to relax and get lots of sleep.

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup>**

Year 5 are going to the CLC.

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup>**

8am Early morning football for Years 3 to 6. Please arrive on time!

8am Running Club with Coach Martin.

Nursery are visiting the Highgate allotments!

3.30pm Homework Club. Join Angela and Miss Thomson for 'ask me anything'. For Year 6, a chance for additional SATs support.

3.45 Years 3 and 4 Football Tournament Final! It's after school behind the Lido on the Heath. Supporters welcome.

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>**

8am Year 5 and 6 Athletics Club.

Reception are visiting the CLC.

Year 4 will be learning archery in the hall.

Coach Martin will be taking a team drawn from years 3, 4 and 5 to the Camden Girls Sports Event at Corams Fields.

3.45 In advance of teaching the unit, Maddie Roberts will share our sex and relationships materials with any Year 5 parents who are interested.

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup>**

8am Girls only Multi-sports Club.

Year 4, building up their survival skills, go kayaking at Islington Basin!

Cake Sale hosted by Year 6.



**Thank you!**

To Iseult McLaughlin in Year 2 for this week's border design.

**Congratulations!**

The sunshine brought out remarkable performances in our youngest football squads. The Year 3 and 4 boys' team won ALL their matches *without conceding a goal* (shout-out to our goalie, Alex in Year 4!) and the girls drew 4 matches and lost only 1. The boys make it through to next week's finals! Well done to the whole squad: Alex, Laurie, Tawana, Maxi, Luz, Louie, Arkady, Zion, Jess D, Salma, Belle, Chloe, Elsie, Esmee, Tess and Amelia. And of course, huge thanks and respect to Coach Martin who inspires and coaches all our children. Please come and support at the finals next Tuesday.

**Sunglasses**

Although it looks as though the sunny time is over, I wanted to clarify our 'line' on sunglasses. We don't allow children to wear them, with the exception of those children with linked and specific medical needs such as bad hay-fever or migraines. Hats and a good covering of sun-cream positively encouraged!

**International Summer Festival - Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June**

Please find attached the first shout out for help for this year's Summer Festival. Please get involved. If you're new to EP, it is a great way to feel more involved and to meet other parents.

It is thanks to you as parents, that we have been able to add all the 'extras' to our Lab: the unique playground, the equipment (arriving daily) and the furniture. We usually raise over £6,000 from this event!

**Full STEAM ahead!**

Also attached is a flier for our STEAM Week, the week after next! There is lots going on and we really want parents to join in as much as you can! Each teacher will send a specific timetable of what's going on in their class detailing when and where we'd like parental involvement. After school each day too, please visit classrooms (and the Lab) to see what's been happening. The key date is Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May. We will have a sign-up sheet for 15 children and a parent to do the 'hack a toy' workshop in the Lab with the Institute of the Imagination at 3.30. You need an electrical toy that you don't mind dismantling!

Also that day, at 5.30, Dan Plane from the Royal Institution will do a family show to launch our Curriculum Evening. After this, please stay and visit all our classrooms to see work in progress and have a go at some experiments!

We will need newspaper for our STIXX Machine and empty 1.5-2 litre plastic bottles for Stomp Rockets in Science Week. Please drop off all next week in the crate at the entrance.

With best wishes

Kate Frood and staff





# EP SUMMER FESTIVAL - COMING SOON!

Dear everyone,

Class reps have begun preparations for the biggest annual event in the PTA calendar - the summer festival on **Saturday 30 June - 12 to 3pm**. As ever, we need your help and any contribution is really valued.

It's going to be science themed festival to link in with the opening of the amazing lab (thank you previous years' PTAs for helping make that happen) and STEAM week this summer term...

## The 2018 festival will include:

- Live entertainment; we are **so incredibly lucky** to have creative talents in our parent body.
- Katya Apekishevia will be playing the piano for us and Sam Amidon will do a set, with Beth Orton joining for a song. Eat your heart out Royal Festival Hall and Glastonbury!!!
- To give the pros a run for their money, we are keeping our fingers crossed for a newly - formed parent band - watch this space.
- International food buffet and BBQ, Bar and PIMMS, tea and cake, ice cream.
- The Village Fair is back! This time in the Lab and with a science theme to its categories. Watch out for entry forms after half term!
- Crafts, Games, Bouncy castle, Books, Toys and Bric a Brac, Teddy tombola, Plants
- Raffle and Auction



## Get in touch:

-We have some 'pitches' available for parents who want to sell their own items. Please contact us if interested.

-The EP auction is infamous - we need your prizes (holiday homes, special skills or tickets are all amazing). Please contact Sam Sidaway in nursery class if you can help.

- We'll be sending home raffle tickets for the kids to sell in the run up to the festival. There are always great prizes (including top prize £100 cash) up for grabs. There'll also be £5 prizes to the children who sell winning tickets!

-Volunteer to have an estate agent board - these will be up for 4 weeks before the event and will not mark your property. Easy money for the school - please contact Tania in the school office.

-Sign-up boards will be up after May half term. As ever, to make this an affordable and inclusive community event, we rely very much on donations/ support. Look out for collection boxes at school gates for 'as new' books, toys, bric a brac, clothes, cuddly toys and please sign up to make some food, man a stall or set up and close-down. If you can't get to the school gates please ask your class rep to put your name down.

-If you have any spare decorations, craft items or drinks for the bar you can contribute that is brilliant! Emails below or contact your class reps.

**Environment:** The PTA are committed to reducing waste, particularly single-use plastic waste. We no longer buy plastic bottles, straws or cutlery and will look for compostable/reusable items once existing cup stock is used up. We welcome any ideas from parents to improve our efforts. We request people bring along bags, reusable cups for tea/ coffee as well as water bottles which can be filled up in water fountains and jugs around school (NW5 bags and keeppups on sale!).

Contributions to putting on the event are important; so is coming and enjoying the day! Please put the date (**Saturday 30 June, 12 to 3**) in your diaries and come and support the children and their school.



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# Full STEAM ahead at Eleanor Palmer!



JOIN US FOR A FANTASTIC WEEK OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, ART AND MATHS TO CELEBRATE THE OPENING OF OUR FANTASTIC SCIENCE LAB AND PLAYGROUND.

MAY 21ST - 25TH

Work with the Institute of the Imagination in the Lab



Experiment with eggs!



Create Slime!



Build a robot!

THURSDAY 24TH MAY

From 6.30

Open classrooms for parents to see all our exciting science work and visit the Lab and playground



Join in the world's longest automata



BRINGING SCIENCE TO LIFE

THURSDAY 24TH MAY @ 5.30

Community show with the brilliant Dan Plane from the Royal Institution in the hall



Dance at a pedal disco with DJ Martin!



THURSDAY 24TH MAY

@ 3.30

Hack a toy!

Family Toy dissection workshop in The Lab

Make space creatures that glow!



Make toothpaste for elephants!



Make a stomp rocket!

Science every day in class!



Build with STIXX!

