

ELEANOR PALMER PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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Thursday 11th October 2018

Dear Families,

Tonight!

From 6.30 - 8.30, join us for our annual CBC party to celebrate black culture! It is always such a great evening with music, dance and great food. And this year Kasai Masai are back! It's also a fund-raiser for Street Child, the charity that has taken over our much smaller partner charity, Planting Promise, in Sierra Leone. Adults entry is £2 and children come free.

Tomorrow

Stay and Play. Please join us for our postponed first Stay and Play of the year! Stay in class at 9am to play a popular EP game with your child/others.

Events in school next week, 15th - 19th October:

Year 5 are at Sayers Croft Field Centre in Surrey all week! The team will be Susie Yaffe, Deanna Brunyee, Linda Hill and Coach Martin. I am going VERY early Tuesday for the day so any forgotten items can be dropped off by 6.30 Monday!

As Coach Martin is there too, there will be NO CM clubs next week. Apologies that we weren't clear that Running Club has now ENDED as the cross country event has taken place.

Monday 15th

8am Football for Years 1-2. With thanks to our parent volunteers.
Year 6 are going orienteering on the Heath.

Tuesday 16th

8am Football for Years 3-6. With thanks to our parent volunteers.
3.45 Science Club for Year 3 in the Lab.

Wednesday 17th

From 4.30-7.30, our first Parents' Evening of the year! Please sign up to meet with your child's teacher on this date or during the alternative daytime slot. These are vital meetings to share perspectives on how the year has begun and to set goals for the year ahead.

Thursday 18th

8am Ball Skills Club for Years 1 and 2 with Coach Martin. CANCELLED

Friday 19th

8am Girls Sports Club with Coach Martin. CANCELLED.
Coffee morning in the Shed for parents of those children with a diagnosis of ASD.
Year 4 are going to the CLC.
Cake Sale hosted by Year 5.
It's half term! School is then closed the following week.

Great Science Day at half term!

Great Ormond Street host a Family Fun Science Day on 20th October from 1-5pm. Extract DNA from fruit, join a science treasure hunt, visit their labs and discover how GOSH research improves child health. What a fantastic start to half term!!
Book at www.gosh.nhs.uk/familyfunday

Parent contact details

Thanks to those of you who have been in contact to verify current details. It is now enshrined in updated national safeguarding policy that schools must have **at least two** additional contact numbers for every child. We ask for and receive this when you join us but a significant minority of numbers (and emergency contact names) change and we are not notified. The only time we find out is at the exact moment that we need to contact you! This really is a critical issue that is about your own child's safety and welfare.

Shed Talks

Please find attached our 'Shed Talks' for this term, some back by very popular request. Do make a note of the ones that interest you - everyone very welcome!

Harvest - collection on Friday 2nd November

It is nearly time for us to do our annual Harvest Collection. We will delay until after half term so Year 5 can play a part. As in previous years, we will support a charity close to home and so we collect for the New Horizons Youth Centre in Euston. They do so much for local young people in need, the homeless, vulnerable and those at risk. This year they particularly need:

- Pasta and rice
- Tinned beans, chickpeas, sweetcorn, kidney beans. They cook in bulk, so they'd love a good quantity of these 4 tinned items.
- Toiletries - hair products including brushes, combs, bobbles. Sanitary products.
- Biscuits, tea, coffee, sugar - used at their daily drop-in sessions.
- Obviously any other donations are also welcomed. Nothing luxurious - just the basics please!

Please bring donations to the school entrance **at 9am on Friday 2nd November** (after half term) and not before - and then 'Stay and Play' for our November session as it will be the first Friday of the month!

Teaching - the best job in the world!

Are you interested in training to teach - or know someone who is? Here in Camden, led by our good selves, we run an outstanding primary teacher training programme (PGCE) in conjunction with UCL/IOE where you will get the chance to train in fantastic local schools. This programme brought us our own fantastic Sara Stokes, Rosie Thompson and Sophie Hartnell!! We are currently recruiting for entry in September 2019 and would love to tell you more about our programme and what we can offer at our next Open Morning - on **Wednesday 14th November 9.30am-11.30am** here at Eleanor Palmer. To book your place or for more information email

Vicky@eleanorpalmer.camden.sch.uk or call Vicky on 020 7485 2155 or follow the link on our website <https://www.eleanorpalmer.camden.sch.uk/news/train-to-teach-with-us/> Full details of the Open Morning can also be found on the government's Train to Teach site: <https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/teaching-events/training-provider-events/181114-camden-tsa-school-direct-open-morning>

Playcentre

You all received the flier about changes to Playcentre, essentially that you can **no longer attend unless you have pre-booked and pre-paid**. It's all online and the system is working well - thank you! It means staff have more time to interact with the children.

Big ideas in assembly

This week we talked about EQUALITY with a focus on South Africa and the life and achievements of Nelson Mandela and then the story of Rosa Parks.

Camden has some great events going on this month for Black History Month. See posters on the CBC board or explore this link.

<https://www.lovecamden.org/kings-cross-euston/black-history-month-celebration-event>

And of course we have our party tonight!

Thank you!

To the staff team who took Year 6 to Wick Court. The children, once again, had a fantastic time!
To Madeline Blackman from Year 5 for this week's newsletter design.

With best wishes,
Kate Frood and staff