

Thursday 15th September 2022

AUTUMN 2022 - WHOLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 2

Ask your child about...

... The Queen, her life and her legacy.

... What will change now that Charles has become King?

... What they understand about 'the monarchy' and 'democracy'?

NEXT WEEK - 19th to 23rd SEPTEMBER

Over the last two weeks new children have been settling into our Nursery and Reception classes, and we have new children in several year groups. We know that our children and families will give them all a warm EP welcome!

Monday 19th

Bank holiday - the school is closed

Tuesday 20th

8am - Year 1 and 2 Dodgeball and Tag Games.

3:30-4:30 - Football Squad Training - Coach Martin is talking to children today about the squad.

Wednesday 21st

Thursday 22nd

8am - Years 3 and 4 Dodgeball and Cricket Club.

Friday 23rd

8am - Girls' Club for Juniors.

9:15-10 and 2:45-3pm - Phonics talk for parents in the Lab. **This is aimed at parents with children in Reception and Year 1.** It is an opportunity for you to find out how we teach phonics and early reading and how you can help your child develop reading fluency and a love of books.

3:30-4:30pm - Junior Development Football Club.

NEWS IN BRIEF AND REMINDERS!

Thank you for coming to our **Meet the Teacher** event last night, it was really well attended which just confirms to us how committed you are to working in partnership with us. The teachers gave out their **curriculum letters** which detail all of the fabulous teaching and learning that is planned for this term, along with further important information for the year ahead. If you were unable to attend last night and/or didn't pick this information up, please ask your child's class teacher for this pack of information.

Special Educational Needs (SEN) News!

As of September, **Lacey Cousins** is now our Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCO). As a SENCO, Lacey will oversee the SEN provision across the school. If you have any concerns about your child's specific and special educational needs please do talk to Lacey lacey@eleanorpalmer.camden.sch.uk.

We have a new school counsellor, **Rosan McCall** from the Anna Freud Centre who will be working with us on Monday mornings. She forms part of our school wellbeing provision, which we will detail further in future newsletters!

There is a free **Parent and Carers Counselling Service (PCCS)** in Camden. This is a free service which offers confidential counselling to any parent or carer who would like an opportunity to talk about their current circumstances and any situations which may be troubling them. Although they are a service for parents, the concerns do not have to be related to parenting or your children. Parents can self-refer by getting in touch with the PCCS directly to request an application form by calling 0207 974 6500 or emailing pccs@camden.gov.uk.

Spare trousers and leggings

We have a good supply of spares for our littlest children, but sometimes our children aged 5 and above need spare clothes. We've lots of tops, but if you have any spare leggings or tracksuit bottoms that your child has outgrown, these would be gratefully received. Thank you.

Newsletter borders

Our newsletters are always enhanced by children's border designs. Do encourage your child to pick up a template from the office and design a border for this newsletter. Black pens only please.

Trip forms

Last night teachers may have talked about plans for trips this term. Just a reminder that if not already provided, **we need your consent to take your child out of school during the day** and ask for this consent at the start of each year. You can provide consent on the app through the Forms section (app homepage) or alternatively we have hard copy forms in the office. Please provide a response **by tomorrow Friday 16th**.

Festival of Books at the British Museum - Saturday 24 September 12-4pm

The British Museum has a family day with lots of activities taking place. This looks like a fun and exciting day for the family inspired by books and storytelling - definitely worth a visit!
<https://www.bl.uk/events/family-day-festival-of-books>

Snack Sales

An EP tradition is that every Friday a class has hosted a Cake Sale, with parents and carers baking or buying cakes to sell, and setting up a stall in the top playground from 3:15pm. Every class hosts one sale each term, and across the year these sales raise a substantial amount for the school to spend on your children. Taking feedback from the parent survey at the end of last term regarding these sales, we know that some families would welcome a less sugary choice or a savoury option.

Dates for your class Snack Sale this term-

- Friday 23rd September – Year 6
- Friday 30th September –Year 5
- Friday 7th October –Year 4
- Friday 14th October – Year 3
- Friday 4th November –Year 2
- Friday 11th November – Year 1
- Friday 18th November – Reception
- Friday 25th November Nursery

With best wishes,

Sally Hill and Natalie Stevenson