

TEAM EP FOREVER

ELEANOR PALMER PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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Thursday 20th May 2021

Events in school next week, 24th-28th May:

TOMORROW

Our Year 5 and 6 children return from their residential trips - do have a look at the website to see some wonderful photos of their adventures!

Year 5 should arrive back between 3.30-4pm and Year 6 closer to 5.30pm. We will, as always, provide text updates once they set off.

Monday 24th

8am Year 6 Dodgeball Club.

Author Candy Gourlay, is visiting Year 5. Mr G is currently reading her novel 'Tall Story' to the class. At 3.30 or 6.30 we have 'live in the Lab' parent briefings for Year 2 parents about the forthcoming adventure to the Mill (24-25th June). This will also be a chance to explain end of Year 2 assessments
3.45pm Palmer Paper Club for Year 6.

Tuesday 25th

8am Year 4 Dodgeball Club.

The Place Dance Company are doing a performance for Years 5 and 6.

Wednesday 26th

We welcome visitors from schools in Doncaster and Liverpool, part of a national triad of school improvement.

Years 4 and 5 continue their Dance Project with The Place.

Thursday 27th

Year 3 leave for their Mill adventure, missed last year. They go with Craig, Hayley, Coach Martin and me. We leave at 8.45.

The Nursery are going to London Zoo!

Friday 28th

Year 5 Dodgeball and Cricket Club.

Year 3 return around lunchtime - straight home!

Thank you

To Beau Hemings in Year 2 for this week's border design.

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EP Roadmap out of Lockdown

There has been another week without any cases in Camden schools. Camden cases have fallen again this week, with under 10 new cases across the borough.

Remember that, at the **START** of the day we will now use only the main gates. Feel free to come on site for drop off in the playground and to guide children round to their hand washing spot, any time from 8.45. For now, it's probably simpler if we still dismiss at **BOTH gates AT THE END OF THE DAY** to avoid confusion about whose parents wait in the Home Zone and whose are outside the classroom...we will get there!

We actually think there have been huge gains, particularly for our youngest children, in having a quick goodbye at the gate so do give thought to changing your routines:

Covid testing

A reminder we have many boxes of LFT home test kits if you would like some.

If you child has a temperature, whatever the cause, they are poorly and shouldn't come to school. Even if you think it is unlikely to be Covid-19, please also arrange a PCR test. Local testing centres are so efficient and we are finding that results come back within 24 hours - often in under 12! Please also arrange a PCR test for your child if they have a new, continuous cough or loss of sense of taste or smell.

For any other symptoms, or if you are in doubt at all, please do a lateral flow test at home. We are then happy for your child to come into school if this home test is negative. Do call the school office to talk over if unsure:

Meet the Parents

www.meettheparents.info.

Meet the Parents is a well-established forum for parents to hear from other parents about our local state schools. They are holding two virtual events in June for primary school parents deciding where to send their children for secondary. Families from Acland Burghley, Camden School for Girls, La Sainte Union, Parliament Hill and William Ellis will be answering any questions you might have about their school experience on **Monday June the 14th from 6 to 7pm**.

For free registration, please go to <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/152115506575>.

They will be running a similar event with families from Haverstock, Regent High School, Maria Fidelis, UCL Academy and Hampstead schools on **Wednesday June the 16th**. Please go to <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/152120742235>

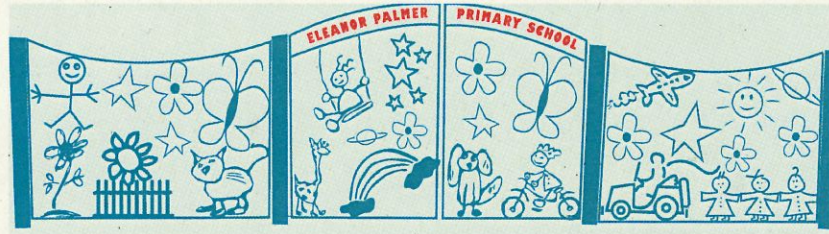
PTA News

The wonderful PTA are making plans for the Summer Fair, which we hope to host on site on Saturday 3rd July. See attached and please step forward to help.

Assemblies

Using the Bible story of David and Goliath as a metaphor for challenging power, we looked at the iconic image of 'Tank Man' from the 1989 Tiananmen Square protests.

With best wishes, Kate Frood and staff



SUMMER FAIR 2021

Saturday 12-3 pm on 3 July 2021

Theme this year: **FROOD FEST!**

We have everything crossed that circumstances enable us to have our wonderful Summer Fair back on site and we are planning a Kate Froud themed festival vibe celebrating her last year as Head and 18th Summer Fair!

We're keeping a close eye on the restrictions and risks of a Fair in site. The fantastic school fundraisers of 2020 showed that as a school we can be quick to adapt and still put on community events to bring us together, for the children and their families to have fun and to raise much needed cash!

For the Fair on **Saturday 3 July**, your brilliant Class reps have agreed to organise teams to help set up, run and clear up:

- Nursery - Raffle
- Reception - Tea, Coffee and Cakes
- Year 1 - Games and Book stall
- Year 2 - Toy stall and Ice cream stall
- Year 3 - Bar
- Year 4 - Food
- Year 5 - Bottle Tombola
- Year 6 - BBQ

The fabulous gang behind Isolation Radio will also be DJ'ing for us live on the day, playing your requests and reading dedications. And of course, no EP Summer Fair would be complete without the EP Silent Auction!

How you can help?

- **Volunteer:** Put your hand up to be added to the rota when class reps ask for help organising your class stall. WhatsApps coming your way after half term.
- **Donate items:** collections of books, toys and bottles for the tombola will commence after half term.
- **Buy raffle tickets:** these will be coming home after half term in book bags.
- **Auction lots:** If you are able to donate a prize (piano lessons, gardening services, any skills, tuition, experiences, event tickets, meal vouchers, holiday homes make great lots) please contact the office or email Sam with details of your contribution. Thank you to parents who have already pledged prizes.

Put the date in your diary!