



13 January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another busy week at Eliot Bank. Year 4 and 5 have had brilliant workshops this week. The Year 4s were visited on Thursday by Teach-it-through-Drama and had workshops based around 'Theseus and the Minotaur', which links into their topic on Ancient Greece. The Year 5s were visited by Freshwater Theatre to have their workshop on 'A Mayan Adventure'. All classes did some great learning about their respective time periods.

My assembly this morning was mainly led by children. To accompany the classes into the hall, the piano was being played by one of our Year 6s. The actual assembly was all based around the book 'Have You Filled a Bucket Today?' by Carol McCloud and illustrated by David Messing. Children from both Year 6 classes narrated and acted out sections of the story. A big thank you to all children who helped me deliver the important message of kindness.

Enjoy a weekend of kindness.

Ms. Glasheen

Y4 GREEK MITHOLOGY WORKSHOP



This week, Year 4 have been busy learning about Greek Mythology. On Wednesday, Athena the Greek Goddess of Wisdom and War came to tell us the story of 'Theseus and the Minotaur'. We learnt the story evolved from a war started between King of Crete and the King of Athens. It begun during the Olympics - something we also explored in further depth during the workshop. We took a closer look at what type of Olympic activities would have taken place during Ancient Greek and made still-images of some of these. Look at the photos below and see if you can guess what each sport is.

In Science, we have been busy learning about 'States of Matter'. We are able to confidently explain what a solid, liquid and gas are and can give examples of each. We incorporated drama into our science learning this week and became particles, demonstrating the position of each particle in the different categories. In addition, we took part in an investigating, finding out what happens to the temperature of water when an ice balloon is placed in it. We observed carefully the changes and were able to measure the different temperatures with a thermometer.



Maths challenge of the Week

Fred and Zac have some money.

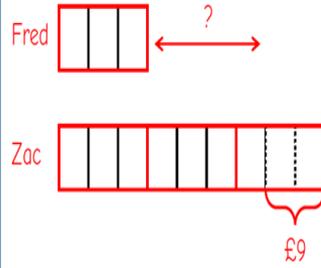
The ratio of the amount of money Fred has to the amount Zac has is 3 : 7

Zac receives £9 from his mum.

The ratio of the amount of money that Fred has to Zac is now 1 : 3

How much more money did Zac have than Fred at the start?

Zac had £18 more than Fred



$$£9 \div 2 = £4.50$$

$$4 \times £4.50 = £18$$

Maths answer

FRENCH PHRASE OF THE WEEK

phrase de la Semaine
Comment ça va?

How are you?

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Week beginning 09 January-13 January 2023

	Attend- ance	No. of Lates
All Day Nursery	100%	5
Nursery AM	90.0%	5
Nursery PM	80.0%	5
Red Reception	94.47%	4
Blue Reception	95.87%	3
1JO	97.0%	2
1NS	99.26%	8
2KA 	100.0%	2
2RD	97.14%	4
3HL	94.44%	4
3SG	99.29%	5
4KF	100.0%	3
4AW	92.50%	1
5DR	100.0%	6
5RK	99.15%	6
6MQ	96.03%	4
6SB	96.71%	7

Well done to **2KA** class with **100%** but 2 lates, who won the Attendance Cup this week!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



- Tue 07/02-Open Morning
- Thu 09/02-Parents Evening
- Mon 13/02-Fri 17/02—Half Term Week
- Thu 02/03—World Book Day
- Fri 10/03- World Mental Health Day
- Mon 03/04-Fri 14/04—Easter Holiday
- Mon 01/05—Bank Holiday
- Mon 08/05-Bank Holiday in honour of King Charles III
- Wed 17/05- Class Photos
- Mon 05/06—INSET Day



Follow Us On Twitter

Please follow us on Twitter:

@eliotbank. Parents / Carers are

more than welcome to use twitter as another way to show us what the children have been doing at home.

STATIONARY IDLING



If you are parked outside of school and waiting in your car, please turn off your engine.

Stationary idling contributes to air pollution and affects people's health. Please help to keep our Eliot Bank air clean!

Thank you.

MUSICAL TERM OF THE WEEK

Jazz - Ella Fitzgerald

Wow! What a first week back of music making - from Nile Rodger's 'Everybody Dance' to learning new instruments or joining choir for the first time; congratulations to everyone for starting the musical year!

This week, we continue our journey on travelling around the world through genres and time to look at inspirational musicians that have shaped the music we hear today.

This week, we are focusing on the 'Queen of Jazz' herself, Ella Fitzgerald. Ella's musical career spanned over 60 years. She sang jazz which originated from the African American community in the early 1900s. It combines folk music with swing rhythms and improvisation. Without Jazz we wouldn't have Rock and Roll or Pop music.

In 1934, Ella entered a Talent Show at the Apollo Theatre in New York. She had intended to perform a dance but there were too many other dancers, so at the last minute she decided to sing a song instead. She won first prize, \$25 and from there her singing career began!

Since her first performance at the Apollo Theatre, she has recorded more than 200 music albums, developed a singing range of over three octaves and was the first African American woman to win a Grammy award for music in 1958.

Ella inspired performers we know today, like Adele and Lady Gaga. Try and listen to one of Ella's songs this week. Maybe she can inspire you!



Mr Prescott

NUT & SESAME FREE SCHOOL

We endeavour to be a **nut and sesame free school**. Please do not send nuts, sesame seeds or foods which contain nuts or sesame seeds (e.g. as humus and sesame snap bars) in your child's packed lunch or for any snacks during school time. We have a number of children across the school with food allergies, and some of these are life threatening.



Please Note: If you wish your child to have school dinners and they have a food allergy or food intolerance, you must complete a special diet request form (available at the school office) and provide medical evidence of the allergy/intolerance. A special diet menu will be provided by Chartwells (our school meal provider) **before** your child has the school dinner option.

REMINDER

CLASS BIRTHDAY TREATS

Please note we are **not** currently accepting any treats to share with the class in celebration of birthdays.



Registration for Starting Primary School September 2023

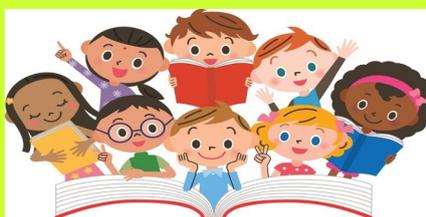
APPLICATION DEADLINE - 15th JANUARY 2023

Children born between 1/9/18 and 31/8/19, if you have not already done so, please ensure you submit your application to the local authority by the above date.

You **must** complete this process to apply for a reception place within a primary school.

Information on applying for Primary School Places can be found at www.lewisham.gov.uk/primaryadmissions.

If you are resident outside of the Lewisham Borough you will need to apply in the same way but to your home borough, you can still apply for Lewisham Schools through your home borough.



Writers of the Week

Year 1 have been working on a clearly structured writing process called *Talk for Writing*. It begins with an immersion into the story through a range of activities, including re-telling it orally using actions, drawing story maps and using puppets to bring the characters to life. The children will then work on writing their own versions of the story, which will include creative descriptions of the characters and the settings.

This term the children will be exploring traditional tales and have started their writing process by showing us what they know already about 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'.

Once upon a time there was a little girl called Goldilocks. She was playing in the Garden and she saw a Butterfly. She started to run after it. It led her into the Forest. She saw a little house. She went in it...

Yannis, 1JO

once upon a time
there was a
little girl called
Goldilocks.
She was playing in
the garden and she
saw a Butter Butterfly.
She started to run
after it. It led her
into the Forest. She
saw a little house.
She went in it.
there she saw three
bowls of porridge.
there was a
big one and a
medium sized

once
upon a time
there was a little girl
called Goldilocks and she
went to the woods and
on the way she found
a little cottage and she
went in. When she went in
she saw three bowls of
porridge and she reached
for the biggest bowl.
Oh that's too big so she
got the next bowl but
it was too cold.
then she reached for the
last bowl of porridge
mum's best porridge

Once upon a time there was a little girl called Goldilocks and she went to the woods and on the way she found a little cottage and she went in...

Georgia, 1NS

MEDICINE IN SCHOOL

It is school policy to only administer medicines that are prescribed to be taken 4 times a day. If your child requires this medicine in school time, please ensure you have spoken to a member of staff and asked for our medicine form. Please do not put medicine in your child's book bag.



They will only be administered to your child in the medical room. This is to ensure the safety of all our children.

Reminder If your child is Asthmatic or has an Epi-pen, please bring in the Inhaler pump or Epi-pen and give it to an adult.

PE KIT REMINDER

Please remember to send your child to school wearing their PE Kit on the days they have PE.

Please ensure they are wearing the correct kit:

Navy blue tracksuit bottoms
Navy Blue Shorts for indoor PE (these can be worn under tracksuit bottoms in colder weather)
White round neck T-shirt
School sweatshirt/Navy Blue Sweatshirt
Trainers

It is currently very difficult to lend children clothes for PE lessons and we do not want your child to miss out. Thank you.



PE	Indoor	Outdoor
Rec	TUESDAY	THURSDAY
Y1	THURSDAY	WEDNESDAY NS FRIDAY JO
Y2	MONDAY	FRIDAY
Y3	FRIDAY	WEDNESDAY
Y4	Spring 1: TUESDAY Spring 2: MONDAY (unless swimming daily w/ b 20 th March and w/b 27 th March)	THURSDAY
Y5	Spring 1: MONDAY Spring 2 : TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Y6	WEDNESDAY	FRIDAY

WATER BOTTLE

We encourage children to bring in a named bottle of water each day, which they will then bring home to be re-filled. Thank you,



Free School Meals

Have your circumstances changed?

If so, and if any of the following applies to you, you can apply for free school meals for your child.

- * Universal credit with an earnings threshold that does not exceed £7400
- * Income support
- * Income based job seekers allowance
- * Income related employment and support allowance
- * Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to working tax credit and have an annual income, as assessed by HMRC that does not exceed £16,190

Please apply online. See the link below.

<https://schools.lewisham.gov.uk/SynergyWeb/Parents/default.aspx>

Even if your child(ren) is/are in Reception and Years 1 & 2 and are Universal FSM (do not pay for school lunch) you may be entitled to lunch vouchers/hampers from the government for your child at this time. So please apply.



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ABSENCE REQUEST NOTICE

As you know, the law does not grant parents an automatic right to take their child out of school during term time. Since September 2013 the Government have instructed schools that absence can only be considered under exceptional family circumstances.

If you do need to request an authorised absence for your child, please complete the school's 'Absence Request Form' at least 10 days in advance (or earlier if possible) to enable us to respond to your request. The form can be downloaded from our website on <https://eliotbank.lewisham.sch.uk/forms-and-useful-documents/>

Please email it back to info@eliotbank.lewisham.sch.uk, so we can deal with your request in good time.

Please note that we are unable to consider any absence request without the accompanying form and that each request is reviewed individually on a case-by-case basis. The factors we take in to consideration are outlined on the form.

Thank you for your cooperation.



NURSERY PLACES AT ELIOT BANK

We still have some vacancies in our nursery

If your child was born between

1st SEPTEMBER 2018 to 31st AUGUST 2019

We offer 15-hour Morning or Afternoon sessions - Free entitlement for all parents.

We also offer 30-hour Full-Time sessions

(*for those families who are eligible)

(*term time only—you must provide eligibility code from Child Care Choices Website to qualify-visit their website for more information

www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL OFFICE (020 8699 0586) TO APPLY FOR A PLACE