



ELIOT BANK NEWSLETTER

Friday 15th September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is wonderful to have all the children back in school for the new school year. They have settled back into school routines so quickly, and the staff have been working hard getting to know your children and building relationships– we know that your children will learn best if they feel happy and safe in school so this has been our main focus this week.

Today we celebrated “World Afro Day” in school and next Friday 22nd September we will be celebrating “Jeans For Genes Day” and the whole school is invited to wear jeans and donate £1, if you want to donate please use the link below.

<http://www.justgiving.com/jeansforgenesday22714>

Hope you have a nice weekend

Ms Gilmore

WELCOME TO OUR RECEPTION CHILDREN

All the children in reception have had lots of fun settling into their new classroom! They've enjoyed making new friends and exploring their new surrounding.



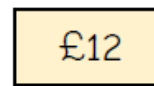
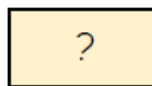
Clubs, Clubs, Clubs

The following clubs will be running for the whole Autumn Term, commencing from week beginning 18th September 2023 and run for 10 weeks.

- * Gems
- * Cheerleading
- * Yoga
- * French Lesson
- * Football
- * Djembe Drumming
- * Multi Skills
- * Taekwondo
- * Choir
- * Basketball




Maths challenge of the Week



A toy train and 2 footballs cost £40
How much does the toy train cost?

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Week beginning 11th -15th September 2023

	Attend- ance	No. of Lates
All Day Nursery	97.10%	0
Nursery AM	96.67%	0
Nursery PM	100.0%	0
Red Reception 	100.0%	0
Blue Reception	98.02%	0
1JO	99.24%	2
1MQ	98.89%	1
2CH	98.08%	3
2RD	99.23%	0
3HL	95.42%	3
3SG	99.23%	1
4KF	98.09%	6
4TR	100.0%	1
5DR	99.54%	1
5RK	100.0%	3
6NS	94.49%	2
6SB	97.53%	5

FRENCH PHRASE OF THE WEEK

Phrase de la semaine
Bonjour, tout le monde!
Hello, everyone!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Fri 22/09-Jeans For Genes Day
Wed 04/10—School Individual Photo
Mon 09/10-Fri 13/10-Buddy Week
Mon 16/10-NHS -Flu immunization -Rec to Year 6
Tue 17/10—Open Morning
Thu 19/10-Parent's Evening
Mon 23/10—Fri 27/10—Autumn Half term
Tue 31/10—Deadline for secondary school online



LABELLED BELONGINGS

Please could we remind Parents/
Carers to ensure that all your child
(ren)'s belongings, e.g. water bottle,
PE kit, school uniform, packed lunch
box, etc. are labelled with your child
(ren)'s name and ideally also with their



Well done to **Red Reception** class with
100.0% and no late, who won the
Attendance Cup this week !

Writers of the Week

Year 6 have started off the term by exploring the concept of oxymorons. They expressed their contradictory feelings in the form of the creative poems and will be publishing for display outside their classrooms.

Here we are, within a deafening silence.

Here we are, miserably jubilant.

Here we are, awake yet dreaming

Here we are, alone but surrounded.

Here we are, in day and night.

Here we are, exploring nowhere.

Here we are, searching for nothing.

Here we are, fully empty.

We are here, at the beginning of the end.

Akane, 6NS



Here we are, drinking dry water.

Here we are, alive but dead.

Here we are, learning but becoming more dumb.

Here we are, writing with no pen.

Here we are, reading wordless books,

Here we are, smiling angrily.

Here we are, in a team but alone.

Here we are.

Huey, 6SB



APPLICATIONS FOR NURSERY PLACES STARTING AT ELIOT BANK

SEPTEMBER 2023

If your child was born between

1st SEPTEMBER 2019 to 31st AUGUST 2020

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 A.S.A.P.



MUSICAL TERM OF THE WEEK

Welcome back to music making at Eliot Bank!



What a week we have had to kick off our musical year. Year sixes started their music production journey on BandLab Education, Year 2 began learning musical notes through the musical kingdom and Djembes.

Meanwhile, KS2 have started learning Mexican folk song La Bamba in two-part harmony and in Spanish! Whilst KS1 have started their musical storytelling journey through singing Baby Belgua

Year five have a treat in store in brand new brass instruments starting next week alongside an online music production club for Y6, Junior and Senior choirs!

Have a look at the posters in the newsletter showcasing a number of singing opportunities within the borough and beyond!

If you would like to know any more about then please do speak to me,

Many exciting music-making weeks ahead!

Mr Prescott

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.

15/09/2023

Jeans For Genes Day**22nd September 2023**

Next week we will be celebrating Jeans For Genes Day. On Friday 22nd September the school will be invited to wear jeans and donate a £1 to raise money for this worthwhile charity.

The Jeans for Genes campaign raises awareness of the daily challenges faced by those living with a genetic disorder and raises money to fund projects that make a tangible difference to the lives of those affected. Please use the link below:

<http://www.justgiving.com/jeansforgenesday22714>



**JEANS
FOR
GENES**

Music opportunities in Lewisham and beyond...

Love singing? Join a choir...

For more info speak to Mr Prescott

Live voices (KS1/KS2) - Expect fun and energetic sessions from Lewisham Music, singing songs from around the world. Not only that, there are also lots of performance opportunities throughout the year like Live at the Halls and Lewisham Live!

When: Years 3-6 Tuesdays at 4.15-5.15pm

Where: First Floor, The Fellowship and Star, Randlesdown Road, Bellingham, SE6 3BT

Blackheath Youth Choir (KS2) - The Blackheath Halls Youth Choir comprises of 60 young people aged 8 to 18 from across our local area. The choir have previously teamed up with English Touring Opera and the London Philharmonic Orchestra for performances, as well as regularly performing at Blackheath Halls and other venues across London.

When - contact k.howden@blackheathhalls.com for more info
Where - Blackheath Halls

National Youth Choir of Great Britain (Y5/6) - Come along to a FREE online Discovery Event to find out what it's like to be a member of our choirs. If you like what you see, you can then book a friendly, online audition. If we're able to offer you a place in one of the choirs, you'll be invited to attend up to two residential courses each year.

When - Friday 29 September 2023, 4.30pm-5.45pm

Where - Zoom (online)



Live Voices



**NATIONAL
YOUTH CHOIR**



Bright futures

applying to start secondary school this autumn

Children in Year 6 (born between 1st September 2012 and 31st August 2013) will be transferring to Secondary School in September 2024.

You will have already received a copy of the 'Bright Futures - Applying To Start Secondary School' brochure at the beginning of this term. We would encourage all parents to read this information carefully as it provides important information about the transfer process and Lewisham secondary schools. A digital version of the brochure as well as all of the important Secondary Transfer dates and information on the application process is available at:

<https://www.lewisham.gov.uk/secondaryadmission>

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.



Learning Meetings

At this time of year, we invite parents and carers to join us for a year-group Learning Meeting. This provides you with an opportunity for you to meet your child's teaching team and find out more about what your child will be learning this year.

The meetings will take place in the main school hall. Please check whether your meeting is after drop off or before pick up. A member of staff will meet with you at the entrance.

Each meeting will last no longer than 30 minutes.

Please see the table below for when your child's Learning Meeting will take place.

Date	Year Group
Monday, 18 September – 9.10am	Year 6
Wednesday, 20 September – 9.10am	Year 2
Wednesday, 20 September – 2.40pm	Year 1
Monday, 25 September – 9.10am	Year 4
Tuesday, 26 September – 9.10am	Year 5
Wednesday, 27 September – 9.10am	Year 3

PE Timetable and PE Kit

Please find information about PE below. Your child should wear their PE kit to school on their PE day as given in the timetable below. The PE kit requirements are outlined below:

Autumn Term

PE	Indoor	Outdoor
Reception	Wed	Mon
Y1	Thu	Wed 1JO Friday 1MQ
Y2	Tue	Thu
Y3	Fri	Wed
Y4	Tue	Fri
Y5	Mon	Wed
Y6	Wed	Fri

Indoor PE	Outdoor PE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> plain white, round neck short-sleeved t-shirt plain navy/shorts. Plain navy tracksuit bottoms or joggers & Eliot Bank school sweatshirt may be worn on top and then taken off before the lesson. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> plain white, round neck short-sleeved t-shirt plain navy/ tracksuit bottoms or joggers & Eliot Bank school sweat-shirt Trainers

Spring & Summer Term

Indoor PE	Outdoor PE
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