



ELIOT BANK NEWSLETTER

Friday 29th September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

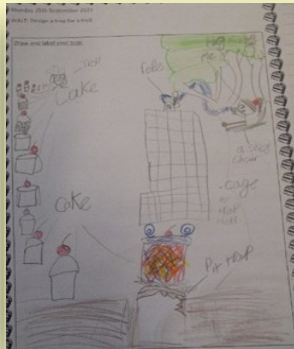
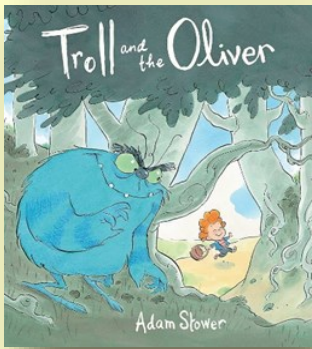
This week at Eliot Bank, Year 3, 4 and 5 parents have had their Learning Meetings - many thanks to everyone who was able to attend. Earlier in the week, we celebrated European Language Day, and we used it as an opportunity for children to talk about **all** of the different languages that they know. It was great to hear our Y6 children retell The Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle in a host of languages, during a whole school assembly.

Finally, you should have received your child's Learning Ladder today. This includes some activities that you can work on at home to support your child's learning this term. Best wishes to you all for a lovely, sunny weekend!

Ms Gilmore

Year 3

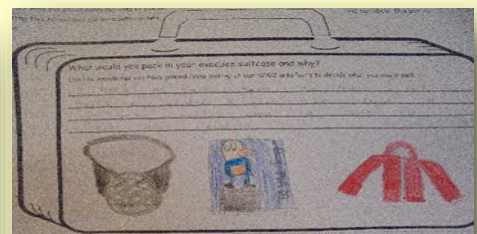
The children in year 3 have been plotting this week in their English lessons. We have been reading the story of "The Troll and The Oliver" by Adam Stower, in which Troll tries unsuccessfully to capture a mischievous child called Oliver. We learnt in the story how much Troll loves cakes, so we decided to write a set of instructions to capture a troll who has been stealing cakes from the Year 3 classrooms! We considered how we would lure him in and capture him. By using time adverbials and imperative verbs, we were able to lay out our instructions clearly. Have a look at some of our trap drawings. There is also a picture of us practising the text map, which helped us to learn the structure of the writing!



"It was really fun when we drew a troll following the instructions of our partner!" - Christopher 3HL

"I loved practicing the text map to learn the instructions. It gives me energy to learn!" - Sayid 3SG

In History, we started to learn about the evacuation of children from big cities to the countryside during World War II. We looked at photos of children carrying their luggage and boarding trains - some of them were even younger than us! We thought about how it must have felt to leave their parents and go and meet their host families. We then found a suitcase with the name of an evacuee - *Lenny Levi* - on the name tag. We opened it and found some items he was taking with him, like a comic book, a toothbrush, and a teddy bear. After that, we drew some pictures of some of the things we might have taken if we were being evacuated. We hope to find more out who *Lenny Levi* was in our History and English lessons later this term...



"It was interesting to see what the evacuees took with them. I liked looking at the photos of the evacuees with their belongings".- Seren 3SG

"I liked deciding what 3 things to take with me in my suitcase if I was an evacuee!" - Lizzie 3HL



29/09/2023

This week we marked the European Day of Languages by celebrating all the languages spoken by children at Eliot Bank. Some of our amazingly talented Year 6 pupils wowed the school with a multilingual retelling of The Very Hungry Caterpillar. The story was told in 11 languages, just a few of the many spoken within our community. Then in class, children had the chance to teach each other phrases, nursery rhymes and jokes in different languages.



"I really liked taking part in the assembly as I loved the opportunity to share my language (Portuguese)." Hector

"I liked using my other language in school because it made me feel special." Taline

"I felt proud to share my language in assembly and I would like to do it again." Yelithza

"I enjoyed speaking in assembly because it let me share my language with other people." Ivan

"I was very happy to share my language with the school, and listening to other people's languages was great." Louise

"I found it extremely fun sharing my language with the whole school. I liked the fact people listened to my language." Adrian

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.



MUSICAL TERM OF THE WEEK



Welcome back to music making at Eliot Bank!



TITLE - BRASS SUPERSTARS

Our Year fives have turned into a brass band! With every child learning a brass instrument from Trumpet to Cornet to Euphonium brass has taken over at Eliot Bank! We cannot wait to hear them soon!

Young musicians live quote "I loved finding out about the mouthpiece"

Young musicians live quote "when we played our first note it made me so excited!"

Our KS2 Spanish Mexican hit La Bamba is sounding amazing in singing assemblies - can you practice and sing along at home? Or can you fly a kite with Mary Poppins in KS1 Log on to your Google classroom today!

Mr Prescott

Thorpewood Avenue

Could we remind parents and carers to ensure that if you are driving around Thorpewood Avenue during school hours please be considering when dropping off your child/ren at school, it will help to keep our Eliot Bank road safe!



The school streets operation times are from 8:30am-9:30am and 2:45pm-3:45pm. There is **NO** through access from Dartmouth Road.

Thank you.

Writers of the Week

This week in 4, we have been creating our own characters based on our class text, *The Barnabus Project*. Our main grammar foci have been the use of expanded noun phrases and fronted adverbials. Here are some of the children's descriptions of their character:



Liagh is a loving, kind creature with a big heart. She loves looking after other people and is very open minded. She is really cute, spirited and energetic. She loves to dance and is always happy. Every day is a good day for her because she has a growth mindset. She is a thoughtful, energetic spirit and she loves water. She is a discreet little fella with a creative imagination. She has green eyes like a palm tree and wings amber like a Caribbean sunset. Liagh is ½ half octopus and half ½ bird and she sparkles like a swimming pool.

Maddie, 4TR

Geffery is a small, white. Furry spider-sloth who wears sunglasses all the time and never takes them off. Surprisingly, Geffery has never come down tree because he is scared of the other animals out there. He always tries to hide himself. Geffery is always made fun of for his spider legs and sometimes Geffery wishes he never had them, but they're very useful for climbing. He is very harmless and agile but when he's mad he gets harmful. Geffery's favourite food are leaves. For some reason he really likes leaves. He has very hurtful claws but never uses them because he doesn't like to hurt people. In the afternoon, Geffery rushes to a waterfall to swim and to have fun. Geffery is a really good swimmer mostly because he goes swimming practice in the middle of the night. Geffery loves blackberries. He is also funny and kind.

Arianne, 4TR

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 class.

Thank you.

FRENCH PHRASE OF THE WEEK

Phrase de la semaine

Ca va bien, merci.

I'm well, thank you?

Maths challenge of the Week

$\frac{3}{5}$ of Danny's age is equal to $\frac{1}{3}$ of

Maryam's age.

Maryam is 32 years older than Danny

How old is Danny?

Registration for Starting Primary School September 2024

APPLICATION DEADLINE 15 JANUARY 2024

Children born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020 are eligible to start full-time Reception in September 2024.

Lewisham Council coordinate applications for Reception class places in primary school within the Lewisham Borough. Parents / Carers should apply online directly to their home Local Authority (the borough where they live and pay council tax) via www.eadmissions.org.uk

Applications can be made, via the eadmissions website, until the deadline of Monday 15th January 2024.

Parents are advised to read the information on applying for Primary School Places which can be found at www.lewisham.gov.uk/primaryadmissions. If you cannot find the information you need, call the Admissions Team on 020 8314 8282 (Monday – Thursday 9am-1pm). **You must complete this process to apply for a reception place within a primary school by 15.1.2024.**

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Week beginning 25th –29th September 2023

	Attend- ance	No. of Lates
All Day Nursery	92.86%	1
Nursery AM	88.57%	1
Nursery PM	90.0%	1
Red Reception	98.0%	8
Blue Reception	97.67%	5
1JO	99.66%	2
1MQ	96.67%	0
2CH	98.97%	4
2RD	100.0%	2
3HL	92.41%	3
3SG	97.27%	2
4KF	93.33%	3
4TR	97.0%	4
5DR	93.33%	4
5RK	95.65%	4
6NS	94.80%	4
6SB	95.56%	3



Well done to **2RD** class with **100%** and 2 late, who won the Attendance Cup this week !

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.



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>

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Tue 03/10-Bag2school drop off at 9am
 Thu 05/10—National Poetry Day
 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
 Fri 20/10—Show Racism Red Card
 Mon 23/10—Fri 27/10—Autumn Half term
 Tue 31/10—Deadline for secondary school online application
 Mon 13/11—Fri 17/11—Anti bullying week
 Tue 14/11—Individual Photographs
 Wed 20/12- Last day of Autumn term
 Thu 21/12— Fri 05/01/24—Christmas Holiday
 Mon 08/01/24—First Day of Spring Term

Uniform Sale Is Back

EBSA's popular Pre-Loved Uniform Sale is **running every other Thursday in the school Gym (9am-9.30am)**.

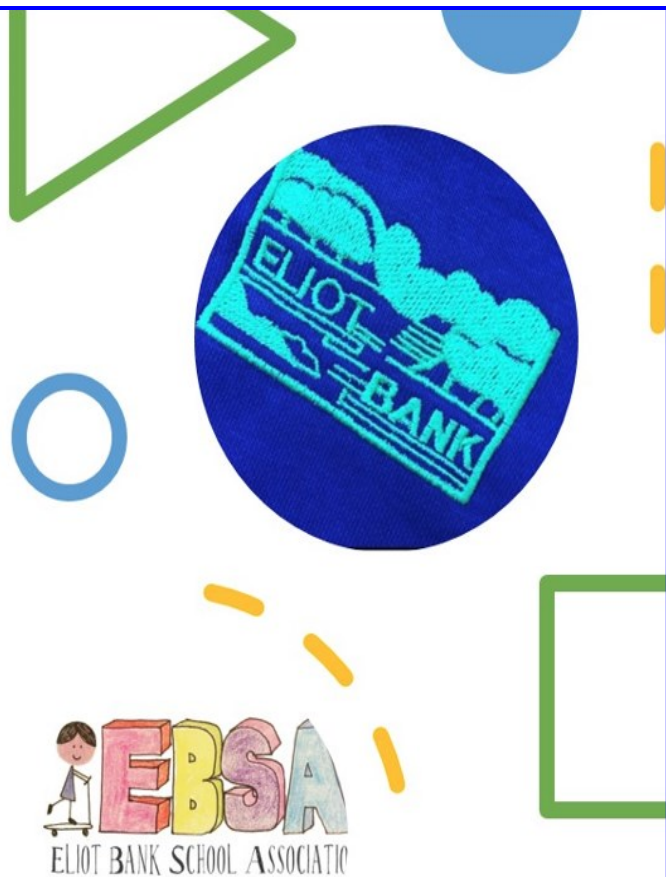
Check the **dates for this term:**

5th October
19th October
2nd November
16th November
30th November
14th December

The shop is a popular fundraising initiative that helps not only the school but also the environment and our household budgets. What's not to like?!

If you would like to **get involved**, please contact us: ebinfo@gmail.com.

Donations of clean clothes in good condition welcome. Leave your bags at the school office or bring them into the shop on a day when we are open.



BAG2SCHOOL COLLECTION COMING UP!

BAG2SCHOOL is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second hand clothing, and EBSA have again arranged for them to make a collection from our school.



All collected items will be weighed and EBSA will be paid for the total weight collected. All money raised will benefit our school.

Please donate: Men's, ladies', children's & babies' clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts, accessories

We cannot accept: workwear, school uniforms, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric

Please drop your donations off during morning drop off on

Monday 2nd October

Tuesday 3rd October

Please use your **own bags** (bin liners are fine). BAG2SCHOOL will recycle all plastic bags.

The more we collect, the more money we raise for Eliot Bank - no upper limit on donations

Thank you for your donations!



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.