



# ELIOT BANK NEWSLETTER

Friday 20th October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to see so many of you at our events this week!

On Tuesday, we had Open Morning and it was great that so many parents made the time to come into school to support the children with their learning. The school was very busy but the children really enjoy seeing you in their classroom.

On Wednesday, Year 1 went on a workshop at Horniman Museum as part of their History topic on Toys. Many thanks to the parents and carers who accompanied them. Please read more on page two.

Today, Year 5 is visited the Science Museum to support their Science topic on Earth and Space. We look forward to hearing all about their fantastic time after half term week.

Finally, Parents' Evening was well attended. The teachers really appreciated the opportunity to meet with you and we very much value this opportunity to work in continued partnership with you.

Children will return to school on Monday 30th October.

Have a nice half term break.

Ms Gilmore

## Music in Year 5

Music in year 5 has become extremely exciting this year as we are learning to play brass instruments every Thursday. We are very lucky to have a specialist music teacher take groups of 8 children for thirty minutes throughout the day. The instruments include trumpet, cornet and baritone.

*"I am learning to play the trumpet. I like learning to play different notes and it's amazing that we actually get to play a trumpet - it's the first time we're playing brass instruments at Eliot Bank!"* **Emile**

*"I have started to learn to play the cornet. I like that we learn to play altogether. I enjoy being in a small group. I also like that I am learning to play an instrument that I never thought I would learn to do".* **Sybbie**

*"Trumpet is very interesting to learn. I like how creative you can be with the trumpet with the sounds that you can make".* **Nathan**

*"I am learning to play the cornet. I like that you get to practise using the mouthpiece to improve, before putting it on the instrument. I like it when we all play along together as it makes a better sound".* **Dange**

*"I like learning to play the trumpet. I like that you blow into it and it makes a sound".* **Ollie**

*"I am learning to play the baritone horn. I like the unique the of it and the low pitch sound it makes. It's also comfortable to hold. Every week our teacher teaches us new notes and we are making progress".* **Connie**

*"I like learning the baritone because it's a deeper sound than a trumpet".* **Max**

*"So far I have learned to play the trumpet and a cornet. It is fun to play and I enjoy the sound it makes".* **Helena**



20/10/2023

## Year 1 workshop at Horniman Museum

Year 1 enjoyed their first trip of the year this week visiting the Horniman Museum for a workshop where they explored a range of toys from around the world made from a range of different materials. Everyone loved playing with all the different toys and learning about where they came from: there were puppets from India, wooden toys from Portugal and a selection of toys made by children in South Africa from recycled materials, such as fizzy drink cans, plastic bottles and even flip flops! As well as the workshop, we also managed to pack in lots of other activities including a walk around the Natural History gallery, a visit to the aquarium and sometime playing in the gardens including on the large musical instruments. The children had a fantastic time and particularly enjoyed having their first ever lunch altogether out of school! Thank you to all the parents who helped us on the day.



Eliot Bank will Show Racism the  
Red Card by Wearing Red or an  
item of Red.



<https://www.justgiving.com/theredcard>

TEXT 'RED' TO 70470 TO GIVE £1  
TEXT 'REDS' TO 70470 TO GIVE £5  
TEXT 'RED10' TO 70470 TO GIVE £15  
TEXT 'RED20' TO 70470 TO GIVE £20

## School Meal / Packed Lunch Option

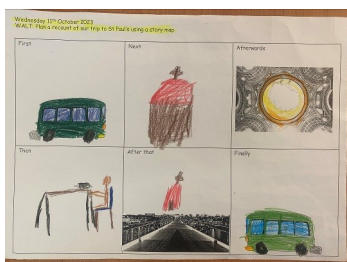


At the beginning of each half term your child has the opportunity to change their school meal option.

The option that your child has on the first day back after each school break will be the option that they have for that half term.

## Writers of the Week

After our exciting trip to St Paul's Cathedral last week, we have been writing a recount of the day. First of all, we wrote down and drew everything that we could remember in our groups. Then we put the events into the order that they happened as this is an important part of a recount. Finally, we wrote our recounts and tried to add interesting details for the reader.



On Monday year 2 went on a school trip to St Paul's Cathedral because we are learning about the great fire of London. First we went on a coach. I got to sit by the window and I got to see small buildings. Next we went to the toilet. Afterwards we got to lay on the floor and I saw that the ceiling was beautiful. Next we had lunch. I had a sandwich. We went on the Millennium bridge and then back on the coach to school. **Andrew 2CH**

2RD went on a trip on a coach to St Paul's Cathedral. When we got there we looked outside to explore the outside of the cathedral. Then we signed in. When we were done we went inside the building. It was beautiful and looked like a hotel. We went to the toilets and then we went through the gates to our workshop. It was fun. It was a woman teaching us. When we were done with our workshop we had our lunch. It was delicious and scrumptious and I felt good. When we went out of the cathedral, we went on the Millennium Bridge. It was a good view. **Tyrenae 2RD**

## FRENCH PHRASE OF THE WEEK

Phrase de la semaine

Bonnes vacances?  
Have a good holiday?



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

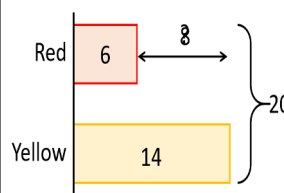
You will have already received a copy of the 'Bright Futures - Applying To Start Secondary School' brochure at the beginning of this term. We would encourage all parents to read this information carefully as it provides important information about the transfer process and Lewisham secondary schools. 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>

## Maths challenge of the Week

Eva has 20 counters.  
6 of them are red.  
The rest are yellow.  
How many more yellow than red counters are there?

Model



Calculations

$$20 - 6 = 14$$


$$14 - 6 = 8$$

There are 8 more yellow counters than red counters.

Maths answer

## ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Week beginning 16 –20th September 2023

	Attendance	No. of Lates
All Day Nursery	85.0%	2
Nursery AM	91.43%	1
Nursery PM	90.0%	1
Red Reception	88.0%	4
Blue Reception	95.0%	2
1JO	97.0%	7
1MQ	95.67%	4
2CH	96.21%	5
2RD	96.79%	0
3HL	95.17%	2
3SG	96.90%	6
4KF	92.0%	10
4TR	96.0%	11
5DR	95.42%	4
5RK 	<b>97.83%</b>	<b>3</b>
6NS	96.80%	5
6SB	97.41%	2

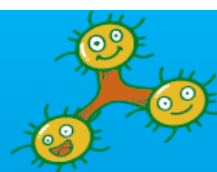


Well done to **5RK** class with **97.83%** and 3 late, who won the Attendance Cup this week !

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Mon 23/10—Fri 27/10—Autumn Half term  
 Mon 30/10—Children return to school  
 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



NHS

Lewisham and Greenwich  
NHS Trust

## Get your child vaccinated against FLU

We are running Saturday clinics for children attending [Lewisham schools](#):

- Rec -Year 11 who did not get the flu vaccination at school



## Saturday 21st Oct- 2023

9am – 4.30pm

- Downham Health Centre BR1 53P 1st Floor
- Kaleidoscope, 32 Rushey Green SE6 4JF
- Waldron Health Centre New cross SE14 6LD 1st Floor -Clifton rise Suite 4

You can book an appointment or just walk in

For more information call  
02030492600/07341888526

## NUT &amp; 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.



## 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.

## We are supporting the Poppy Appeal

The following item will be available to purchase from Monday 30th October until Friday 10th November. Y3 children will take them around to the classes each day.



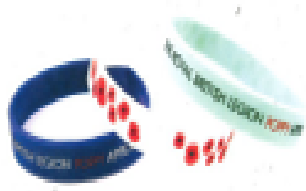
**Zip pull-suggested:**



**Snap band-suggested:£1.50**



**Reflector-suggested: 50p**



**Silicon wristband-suggested:£1.00**

## 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:

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:

**ebsainfo@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.



## 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](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk)

Applications can be made, via the eadmissions website, until the deadline of Monday 15<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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.**



## 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](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk))

**PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL OFFICE (020 8699 0586) TO APPLY FOR A PLACE A.S.A.P.**