



ELIOT BANK NEWSLETTER

Friday 3rd November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is wonderful to have everyone back in school after our half term break. The Young Shakespeare Company have been in school delivering their fantastically engaging and interactive version of Shakespeare's Macbeth. Our Year 6 children will be using this workshop to inspire their writing over the coming weeks. There's more about this on page 2. Year 2 have had a Great Fire of London workshop this week and we will have more on this in next week's newsletter.

We hope you have a happy and safe fireworks night and that you have a great weekend.

Ms Gilmore

Year 5 visit to the Science Museum

Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed their visit to the science museum before half term. They started off on the ground floor looking at the most colossal steam engines. After looking at the incredible original steam engines, they wandered around the space section and marvelled at rockets, moon landing equipment and much more. Eventually, after eating lunch, they got to go into the main attraction of the day, the WONDERLAB! Filled with hands-on experiments and incredible equipment, the children got to put their science skills to the test, and most importantly, have fun.



"I really enjoyed the Wonderlab, particularly the slides that tested friction. The wooden was the fastest because it had less friction". **Muhammad, 5DR**

"It was really fun to explore the museum and find out about the exhibits. My favourite part was when we got to go in the Wonderlab, especially the tube with electrical bolts". **Milo, 5DR**




"I found it interesting to watch the pendulum that was attached to a pen and when I pushed the pendulum, it made the pen create swirly patterns on paper". **Viva, 5RK**

"I enjoyed the slide in the Wonderlab because it was a fun experience testing friction for yourself. The grass was slowest because it had most friction and the wooden one was the fastest". **Lily, 5RK**

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Week beginning 30/10/23 –03/11/23

	Attendance	No. of Lates
All Day Nursery	97.50%	3
Nursery AM	85.71%	3
Nursery PM	80.0%	3
Red Reception	97.0%	1
Blue Reception 	98.67%	3
1JO	95.33%	6
1MQ	98.0%	6
2CH	97.59%	2
2RD	97.59%	3
3HL	93.10%	2
3SG	94.83%	2
4KF	97.93%	1
4TR	95.33%	4
5DR	95.0%	6
5RK	97.39%	2
6NS	96.80%	1
6SB	97.78%	0



Well done to **Blue Reception** class with **98.67%** and 3 late, who won the Attendance Cup this week !



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.

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.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Mon 13/11—Fri 17/11—Anti-Bullying week

Tue 14/11—Individual Photographs

Fri 17/11—Children In Need

Thu 23/11- Mini Open Morning (Reception) 9.15-9.45am

Fri 01/12—Disability History Month

Mon 11/12—Fri 15/12—Year 6 Bikeability

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

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.



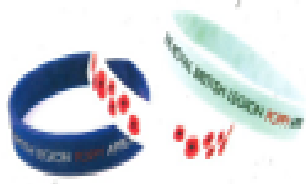
Zip pull-suggested:



Snap band-suggested:£1.50



Reflector-suggested: 50p



Silicon wristband-suggested:£1.00

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.**

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:

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.



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.**