

Dear Parents/Carers, Governors and Friends,

As you can read in this newsletter, we have been busy this week. We started by supporting anti-bullying week and finished with Children in Need. In between a lot happened and we celebrated many achievements in our Friday assembly.

Cutlery skills

This week, our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children were taught their cutlery skills thanks to Jim Estes from our catering provider STIR Food. He demonstrated the Stick, Slide and Saw technique that is inspired by this NHS Enfield video [Learning to use a knife and fork](#). Children practised on different foods: starting with the softer beetroot, followed by cucumber and then the harder to cut carrots. We encourage parents/carers to continue with this at home as it makes it so much easier for our children when eating at school. *See pages 5 to 7*

ETSP Spelling Bee Competition

Two children from each year group competed against other schools in this year’s Spelling Bee. Although they were unable to progress to the finals and despite the pressure, our children found the experience very rewarding and enjoyable. *See page 6*

Important information: Will the landline phone switch affect you?

Are you aware of this imminent change? I decided it might be helpful to share (most of) the letter I received with our school community as this may affect some of you – *see page 10*.

Mr Jan M Bless, Headteacher



ALSO:

Former Deputy Headteacher at Prince of Wales, Miss Clarke, received the British Empire Medal (BEM) for her ‘hands-on’ service to our community and making a significant difference, especially through the recognition of the Alevi faith in Britain. Medals were presented by Sir Kenneth Olisa OBE, Lord-Lieutenant of Greater London, on behalf of His Majesty The King in the New Armouries at the Tower of London. As a result of our trailblazing initiative, Alevism is now taught at many schools across Enfield as part of the RE syllabus.

Attendance for week beginning 13th November 2023

Ash 94.78%	1B 96.30%	2C 97.14%	3F 88.93%	4A 90.37%	5G 91.85%	6C 93.60%
Birch 86.25%	1G 88.46%	2F 91.73%	3G 96.00%	4L 94.09%	5H 97.14%	6D 99.60%
Oak 86.40%	1S 95.42%	2G 96.67%	3H 98.57%	4T 98.44%	5W 95.93%	6F 91.30%

Well done to **1B, 1S, 2C, 2G, 3G, 3H, 4T, 5H, 5W** and **6D** with attendance above 95%.

Overall attendance since September 2023: **94.05%**



SCHOOL YEAR 2023/2024 – upcoming dates		
DATE	YEAR	EVENT
Mon 20th Nov	All	Road Safety Week
Wed 22 nd Nov	all	Parent Forum 8:55am - Community Room
Fri 24 th November	all	Inset Day – school closed
December		Cardless Christmas & Food Bank Donations
Mon 4 th Dec	n/a	Reception Open Day for prospective new parents/children
Thursday 7 th Dec	Y4	Recorder Concert 10:45 - Square Hall
Tue 12 th Dec	Y1	Year 1 Nativity 9:15am – Round Hall
Wed 13 th Dec	Y1	Year 1 Nativity 9:15am – Round Hall
Thu 14 th Dec	Y1-6	End of Term Certificate Assemblies - Square Hall 9am Years 4 to 6; 10am Years 1 to 3
Fri 15 th Dec	Y2	Year 2 Christmas Singing 2:45pm – Round Hall
Mon 18 th Dec	EYFS/KS1 all	Santa visit Christmas Parties pm
Tue 19 th Dec	All KS2 Nursery	Christmas Dinner Talent Show Final Day of the term
Wed 20 th Dec	all	End of term – finish at 1:30pm
21/12/23 – 05/01/24	all	Christmas Holidays
Mon 8 th Jan 24	all	Inset Day – school closed
Tue 9 th Jan 24	all	Start Spring Term

Xmas jumpers

Parent Cafés December – Reading & Christmas Crafts

4.12.23	Year 1 pm
5.12.23	Year 2 am
	Year 3 pm
6.12.23	Year 4 am
	Year 5 pm
8.12.23	Year 6 am
8.12.23	Rec pm
11.12.23	Nursery am/pm

All am Cafés to start at 8.50am and all pm Cafés at 2.30pm.

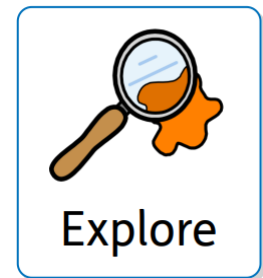
In November we focus on

EXPLORE



These pupils received a certificate this week:

Jasmine 1B, Laura 1G, Masal 1S, Leo 2C, Jasiel 2F, Owen 2G, Paige 3F, Huzeyfe 3H, Maria 3W, Ada 4A, Kharnell 4L, Khelyon 4T, Mazie 5G, Thushanth 5H, Anna 5W, Millie-Bleu 6C, Elif 6D, Marlon 6F

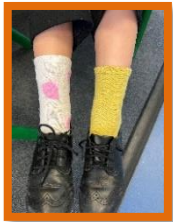


TIMES TABLES COMPETITION



This Anti-Bullying Week,
let's make a noise about bullying.

**MAKE A
NOISE
ABOUT
BULLYING**



Year 1 – STIR and learning how to use cutlery

This week, Year 1 have been learning how to use cutlery. Jim visited us from STIR and showed us how to use a knife and fork. We also practised using different food textures. The children learnt that when using cutlery, they need to **STICK**, **SLIDE** and **SAW**.



“We learnt about cutlery. I ate all of my food.”

Kasey

“We learnt how to cut our food...to saw the food. We learnt how to put our tray in the right places.”

Roza



“We learnt how to cut our food and hold our fork and knife”.

Thomas

Using a knife and fork isn't as simple as A, B, C. Before children can manipulate these essential tools, a lot of physical development and other learning has to take place. The good news: it is fun, cheap and easy: [development-of-cutlery-skills](#).

stick



saw



Also learning how to dispose of left-over food and tidying up trays, bowls, cup and cutlery.

slide

ETSP spelling BEE 2023



We are proud of our teams' efforts and ability to spell many challenging words. Well done: Phoebe 1G, Edie 1G, Cree 2F, Victoria 2F, Jamilah 3H, Alicia 3G, Imran 4A, Nathanael 4T, Anna 5W, TSION 5G, Indi 6C and Kezia 6D



Stir.

let's eat, together



Stick

Slide

Saw

This week, Stir Food catering taught children in Reception a safe method of how to use our knives and forks. We used the method of 'Stick, Slide, and Saw'.

We have learnt how to be safe with our knives and forks, how to carry them and how to safely hold them to cut our food. Please encourage children to continue practicing at home using this method!



We continued to practice using our method in the provision with playdough!



Cycling Proficiency

Well done to the following children who achieved their cycling proficiency level 1 or levels 1 and 2: Maija 6F, Bintou 5W, Hamidi 6D, Daa'ud 6C, Abiyah 6D, Anaiyah 5H, Kimberly 5W, Bella 5G, Lily 6D, Covenant 5W, Nadinsa 5G, Lara 6C, Lynzie 5G, Alessia-Maria 5H, Ronnie 6D, Ozgur 6C, Oliver 5W, Phoebe 5G, Elif-Nur 5G, Gabriela 5H, Natalie 5G, Ella-Mae 5G



Enfield Town Schools' Partnership

8k

Children

185

Languages

21

Schools

1

Community

WHO ARE WE?

Enfield Town Schools' Partnership (ETSP) is a charity set up to advance the education of children/young people in Enfield, through events, services and activities to meet the social and emotional wellbeing needs of all the pupils/students within our care. www.etsplondon.org

YOUR SCHOOL IS A MEMBER!

& ETSP is proud to deliver educational workshops & programmes to your children in collaboration with your school.

1,881 children have participated in our enrichment programmes, including



the annual **Spelling Bee, BIG BANG STEM FAIR &**

The Great Debate.



Funded projects have financed

66 cameras & devices for schools, encouraging new interests & providing opportunities to learn new skills with their peers.



And there's so much more...

Specialist Art training for teachers

57

Art training sessions across 10 schools plus a bank of resources & materials for the classroom. Teachers became the students & learnt from professional artists, gaining confidence & skills to take into the classroom.



*Stay in touch,
support & follow us
@etsplondon*

ROAD SAFETY WEEK

by  Brake, the road safety charity

Road Safety Week 2023 | 19–25 November 2023

Let's talk about...

ROAD
SAFETY
WEEK 

SPEED

#RoadSafetyWeek

What is Road Safety Week?

Road Safety Week is Brake's biggest road safety campaign.

<https://www.brake.org.uk/road-safety-week>

We all drive too fast sometimes...

- "I didn't notice I was going so fast!"
- "Everyone else is doing it so why can't I?"
- "A few miles an hour won't make much difference will it?"

But every time we driver faster than the speed limit, or too fast for the road conditions, we increase the risk of a crash – and we increase the chance tha someone we love will be killed or hurt on a road.

Whoever you are, however you travel, We need to talk about SPEED.

Road Safety Week 2023 | 19–25 November 2023

MAYOR OF LONDON

London borough leaders

Date: 24 May 2023

Dear Colleague,

Starting in only three months time and lasting until 2025, the Government is allowing Openreach and other private telecommunications companies to switch off their analogue copper network, which currently supports traditional phonelines, known as the Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN). Every device that uses the old network including CCTV, door entry systems, lift alarms and controllers, telecare devices, and plant rooms will be affected. Any services you provide or use relying on the PSTN will cease, leaving residents and authorities vulnerable. In practical terms, entire systems may be shut down. This may leave careline services inoperable, lifts turned off and social housing without hot and cold water unless preparatory work is undertaken now to adapt or replace the connected solutions so that they can operate on a digital network.

It is critical to acknowledge that certain areas will experience the effects sooner than others. The Government has not recommended a UK-wide approach to councils or service providers, and no national public information campaign is planned to inform people about the switch off. While the Local Government Association (GLA) is working hard to provide support in the form of good practice and lobbying, we expect direct costs and disruption to be borne by councils and residents alone without any government help. We are therefore asking you to consider:

- Do you know which of your borough's services will be impacted by the switch off?
- Has a budget been proposed and ringfenced to cover costs?
- Does your borough have a target date for when your services will be prepared?
- Which team is leading on ensuring the organisation is aware and prepared for the copper switch off?

From our experience working with boroughs and sub-regional partners on digital connectivity, we understand that some councils are not yet able to answer all of these questions. Councils which are already starting to address this issue have found unexpected complexity and costs with telecommunications companies. To support boroughs to prepare, I have asked the Connected London team in the GLA to set up a London wide working group – working with the London Office of Technology and Innovation – to enable officers to share best practice, experiences, and tools to enable them to develop fully-costed switch off strategies.

We want to work with you to answer these questions, and I invite you to nominate an individual from your borough to take part in this working group. The first meeting will take place on

With your support, London can successfully navigate the switch off, and we can ensure that residents continue to receive the services they need. I look forward to working with you on this.

Yours sincerely,



Theo Blackwell MBE
Chief Digital Officer for London

Reception Tours Prince of Wales Primary School



We have two reception tours available for new pupils who are starting school in September 2024.

Open Mornings:

Friday 17th November at 9.30am

Monday 4th December at 9.30am

Phone to book your place on 01992 762840



Come and see what exciting opportunities are available for your child.

PRINCE OF WALES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Salisbury Road, Enfield, Middx. EN3 6HG Tel: 01992 762840
Email: office@princeofwales.enfield.sch.uk



Christmas at Capel Manor Gardens

Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 December

Wrap up and join us for some festive fun this winter! Children can visit Santa in the Grotto at the Manor House, take part in Christmas crafts, sing along to choir-led carols and enjoy a themed trail in the Gardens.

Capel Manor
Gardens

Book tickets online
capelmanorgardens.co.uk



Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 December, 10am to 4pm

Wrap up warm and enjoy a weekend of festive fun at Capel Manor Gardens!

Visitors can enjoy:

- * Elf-themed trail in the Gardens
- * Choir-led carols at 11.30am and 1.30pm
- * Take part in Christmas crafts
- * Write and send a letter to Santa
- * Visit our mini zoo and listen to interesting animal talks
- * Visit the Gardens Gift Shop and Café*

*Additional costs apply



Santa is coming to Capel Manor Gardens!

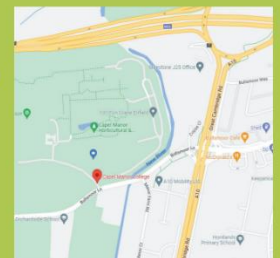
Visit Santa in his Grotto at the 17th Century Georgian Manor House.

Admission Prices*:

- Adult (16+): £10
- Child (3-15 years): £6
- Family (2 adults and up to 3 children): £30
- Child (3 and under): Free
- Friends of Capel Manor: Included in membership
- Santa's Grotto: £5 per child

Save money by pre-booking online. On-the-day ticket prices are higher and subject to availability.

*Additional booking fees apply online.



Capel Manor
Gardens

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Christmas at PoW is going 'card less'

This year Prince of Wales is supporting 'sustainability' by going 'card less' for Christmas.



Instead of sending a Christmas card, please donate to our school non-perishable food items and small Christmas gifts.

We will share these with our local food banks.



Please bring the non-perishable food items
and small Christmas gifts to school
between the 1st - 8th of December.

Thank you for your support from all of us at Prince of Wales

Well done, to all children that completed the October Family Home-Learning Project: Leadership





[1-Minute Maths on the App Store \(apple.com\)](https://apple.com) [1-Minute Maths - Apps on Google Play](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.whiterosemaths)

1 - MINUTE MATHS

is a FREE app that has fast & fun number tasks to help primary school children gain number confidence and fluency! It has one-minute tasks that focus on adding and subtracting, multiplying and dividing up to the 12 times table – and on 'Subitising', the skill of instantly recognising the number of items in a group without counting. If needed, use the 'Hint' button – it shows the question in a different but familiar way. When the 1-minute is up, answers appear on the screen in seconds.

Top 10 reasons for using 1-Minute Maths!

1. Excellent number practice – and no distractions.
2. Enjoyable maths tasks children want to complete.
3. Instils basic number concepts during early years.
4. A clear, intuitive process that children pick up straight away.
5. No login or internet access needed. Just download and play!
6. A motivator - how many correct answers can they score?
7. Helpful hints for support when it's needed.
8. Brilliant for building number confidence and fluency.
9. Random question generator means no repetition.
10. Completely FREE to download!

PARENTS & CARERS



WHY ARE TIMES TABLES IMPORTANT?

SUPPORT LEARNING

Times tables serve as a building block for higher-level maths concepts.

With a strong understanding of multiplication, children will succeed with topics such as division, fractions, algebraic equations, and more!

STRENGTHEN LIFE SKILLS

Times tables have practical applications in our daily lives.

From calculating prices and discounts while shopping, to managing budgets, multiplication is an essential skill for financial literacy and general problem-solving.

BUILD CONFIDENCE

Children feel more confident in their mathematical abilities when they have a solid grasp of times tables.

They'll be up for tackling more challenging mathematical tasks and increase their success and enjoyment of Maths!



INTRODUCING

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

A FUN WAY TO SUPERCHARGE YOUR CHILD'S MULTIPLICATION AND DIVISION SKILLS!

GET READY TO ROCK

Watch and learn how your children log in, navigate the platform, start practising and track their progress.

"It's just so very user friendly and feels like a game rather than yet another school work chore. So my kids are eager to play to rack up reward points. I used to have to beg them to practice times tables, now they are doing it without me even asking! Yay to that!"

"We've used the app for 2 years and it has made such a difference to our daughters ability to learn her times tables. She really struggled beforehand. Thank you so much."

"My lad loves TT Rockstars and it has helped him massively with his times tables."



[Parents & Carers – Times Tables Rock Stars \(ttrockstars.com\)](https://ttrockstars.com)

November Family Home-learning Project

Our school value for the month of November is Explore. This value is all about trying new things, valuing fresh experiences, ideas and the beliefs of others. It is about being creative and having a go because there is always something new to learn and find out.



This month, we would like you to have a go at something new as a family and then share your experience at the end of the month. Have a look at some of the suggestions below – the choice is YOURS and the options are limitless.

- Cook and try a different meal – perhaps from another culture or tradition
- Learn a new skill
- Learn a new language
- Go for a walk or small adventure somewhere different – local or otherwise
- Try a new fitness activity or exercise together

Anything!

Just as in October, you can present your experience at the end of the month however you would like – work together as a family or with friends.

- A written report
- A poster with facts and drawings of something 'new' you tried
- Write a speech and record yourself
- Share a photograph or film of you having a go
- Design and make a model



Projects are due by the 1st December.

We can't wait to see what you come up with this month.



▶ APPLYING FOR A PLACE IN A RECEPTION CLASS

September 2024



Applying for a Primary School for September 2024

www.eadmissions.org.uk
www.enfield.gov.uk/admissions



APPLYING FOR A PLACE IN A RECEPTION CLASS

Applying for a place in a reception class
If your child was born between 1.9.19 and 31.8.20 you need to think about applying for a place in reception class for September 2024.

The information booklet 'Applying for a Primary School in Enfield. Information for Parents' is available online for all families at www.enfield.gov.uk/admissions.

If your child has an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP), SEN Services will contact you to explain the process you will need to follow as the arrangements for your child will be different. For more information contact SEN@enfield.gov.uk.

▶ Online Applications

Parents need to make an online application for a school place. You can apply online at www.eadmissions.org.uk. You can do this from 1 September 2023 through to 15 January 2024. You can make changes to your preferences throughout the application period but make sure you follow the instructions to resubmit any amendments made.

How the system works

- You can apply for up to 6 schools
- You make an application to the local authority in which you live
- You can apply for schools in Enfield or elsewhere
- A computer system is used to exchange information about Enfield residents applying for schools outside the borough. Other boroughs tell us about their residents applying for Enfield schools.

- If a school has more applications than places, the published admission criteria is used to decide who should be offered a place.
- No child is offered more than one school place.
- You will get the results of your application during the evening of 17 April 2024.

▶ Choosing a school

- Please do some research, look at school's website, Ofsted reports and read the school prospectus.
- Consider how you will get your child to school.
- Don't listen to gossip, what's right for other children may not be the same for your child.
- Think about how realistic your choice is, most schools get more applications than they have places available.
- Make sure you have listed the schools in your application in your true order of preference.



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