



# Edmund Waller WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



## IMPORTANT

### DATES

Monday 16th—Friday 20th

### January

Year 5 School Journey to [Wick Court Farm](#)

Thursday 19th January am and pm

Nursery Memorable Event—Walk to Telegraph Hill Park.

Thursday 19th January

Year 5 visit to [The Crystal](#)

### Spring Term

This 1/2 term ends at 3:30pm on Thursday 9th February

**FRIDAY 10TH FEBRUARY SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING.**

**Half term:** Mon 13th – Fri 17th February

Mon 20th Feb– Fri 31st March

### Summer Term

**TUESDAY 18th & WEDNESDAY 19th APRIL SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING.**

Thurs 20th April–Fri 26th May (May Day will be taken on the 1st May)

**Half term:** Mon 29th May–Fri 2nd June

Mon 5th June–Fri 21st July

### Parent Drop Ins

Straight after school on the following Thursday:

Thursday 2nd February

Thursday 2nd March

## Class Assemblies

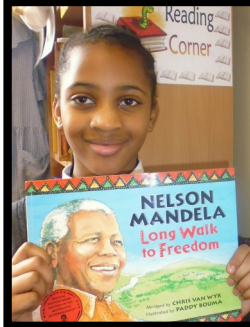
Wednesdays at

10:20am Rosen Hall

**18th January 2MH**

**25th January 1B**

13th January 2017



**Book Talk** Shekania in Year 6 has been reading Long Walk to Freedom, which is Nelson Mandela's autobiography that has been abridged by Chris van Wyk. She chose the book because she had heard about Nelson Mandela and wanted to find out who he was. She learnt that he was the first black president of South Africa. There is an interesting timeline at the back of the book, with the key facts about Nelson Mandela's life. He was a leader of an organisation (the ANC) that was fighting to make life better for black people in South Africa. He was arrested for leaving the country illegally and encouraging workers to strike. Eventually, he was sent to jail for 27 years.

Shekania learnt that he was 'lucky', as he could have been sentenced to death. Whilst he was in jail, his mum and his son both died. In the 1980s, many people were campaigning to release Nelson Mandela from jail. On his release, there was an election for a new President of South Africa. He won the election and became the President in May 1994. He died in December 2013.

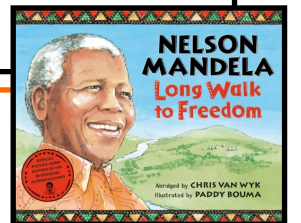
## School Journey to Wick Court Farm

Next week, the Yr 5 children will be spending their week learning on a [working farm](#) in Gloucestershire. We wish the children and adults travelling with them a safe and memorable visit. You can keep up to date with their experiences on the Yr 5 [blogs](#) on the school website.



## Languagenut

At Edmund Waller, some Yr 5 children have made a [video](#) showing you how they access the website to play the Mandarin games at home. Thank you Meier Lo for directing the children in using the ipods to produce the video and well done children! You can watch the video here. Get practising on [languagenut](#) today! If your child also speaks or is learning a different language, they can play games in that language, too.



## Class Assemblies

This Term Class Assemblies take place on Wednesday mornings at 10:25am in Rosen Hall. Here is the Class Assembly schedule for the term:

18th January 2MH

25th January 1B

1st February 6C

8th February 4S

1st March 5M

8th March 3V

15th March 2W

22nd March 1G

29th March 5F

## Final Fundraising Event for the 999 Club **FIND OUT MORE IN LEON'S BLOG POST ON OUR WEBSITE!**

On Tuesday the 24th of January at 8:40am an amazing event will be starting every morning before school for a week. If you wonder what this event is, it is **Guess the Marbles in a Jar**. And guess what? It is only 30p a Guess. [If you think about it you could be swapping 30p for a tub of marbles!](#) We will be on the playground by the main gate before the bell. We will reveal the winner in the Whole School Assembly on Monday 30th January. *By Gabriel, School Councillor*



## A Visit from Perform

On Monday, the children in Reception, Yr1 and Yr 2 had a wonderfully energetic time exploring the theme of **Fairytale Forest** and using drama, dance and singing to help develop their confidence, concentration and social skills. The workshops were lead by [Perform](#), an organisation that runs regular weekly classes in the local area and they are offering a special introductory discount to all parents of Edmund Waller, if they come along for a free trial session before Monday 30th January. Click [here](#) for the nearest locations. To claim your discount, just call them on 020 7255 9120 quoting **EDMD300117** or visit [perform.org.uk](#) to find out more.



TIME TO LEARN



LAST WEEK 92% OF CHILDREN WERE IN SCHOOL ON TIME. OUR SCHOOL TARGET IS 97%.