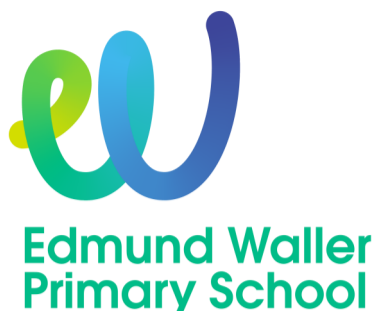


THIS WEEKS NEWS

- Y5 Cycle Proficiency
- Well done Year 6

- Changes in teaching & learning
- Half Term Playscheme - **BOOK NOW!**

- 16.05.23 - Class Photographs
- Nursery Trunki Appeal



Edmund Waller WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



12th May 2023

The Hot Topic Subject Specific Teaching is...

London and beyond

Social justice

Sustainable future

Whilst the above has a bit less of a ring to it, the days of amorphous Topic lessons are well and truly over. In the past, Edmund Waller has been rightly proud of the fact that the learning has always been far more than just Maths & English focused; this gives our learners a broad and varied set of experiences. Historically, this learning was often grouped together as 'Topic' learning.

However, as part of our complete redesign of the curriculum and in order to meet the needs of 21st Century learners, we are much clearer about the intent and impact behind all learning. Whilst, each class retains a overarching topic - all seen through the lens of our 3 key curriculum drivers (pictured above) - the learning they experience is more defined. In geography lessons, clear geography objectives are taught, likewise in history, DT, art etc etc. This is crucial if the children are going to build on their previous learning and acquire a versatile and flexible set of skills that they can use to approach problem solving both within the classroom and outside of it too.

Another important part of lumping all learning under the same generic topic umbrella, is that allows certain subjects to be taught in a more rigorous way, without teachers feeling the need to shoehorn in a topic link.

Computing is a great example of a subject that, due to the content that is required, needs to be taught as a standalone subject. We feel that this approach retains the essence of the Waller approach, whilst upskilling our learners with the knowledge they need during their time here at school.

On The Road

If you were out on the roads of New Cross this week, you may have seen a few familiar faces, as our Year 5 children took to the streets as part of Lewisham's Bikeability Road Safety training. The instructors were extremely complimentary about the children they worked with and the school in general.



Pickup @...

Please remember to use the email address below to notify the school about changes of collection - this will ensure your email doesn't get lost in the office@ inbox!

pickup@edmundwaller.lewisham.sch.uk



A Touch More Class...

Having looked at the quality of our past class photographs, we decided that a change was needed. We are very excited to be welcoming new photographers, Justin & David, from PictureBox, to take a refreshed and refreshing look at the class photos we offer. They will be here on **Tuesday 16th May**.

What a Week...

A HUGE well done to the Year 6 team - children & adults alike - for getting through SATS week unscathed! The children showed great maturity throughout the week, rising to the challenge. We also wanted to thank Ms Greenbank & Mrs Price for doing such a sterling job with the SATS breakfast, which helped settle the children and prepare them for each day's papers! Well done everyone!



Year 6 @ SATS b'fas

Half Term Playscheme

As we head towards the halfway point of the term, we are pleased to announce that booking for the half-term EWrap Playscheme is **NOW OPEN**. We will be open from Tuesday 30th May - Friday 2nd June - more details on the second page.

We're going on a Trunki Hunt

Michelle and the nursery team are asking for donations of any unwanted Trunki cases. The children have been using them to help develop their gross motor skills and upper body strength... Please bring to reception or Michelle if you have one that needs a new home.

Summer Term 2023
16th May - Class photos
Friday 26th May - INSET Day
Half Term
Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June
End of Summer Term
Friday 21st July 2023

Year Group Assembly	Date
Reception	19th May
Year 1	30th June

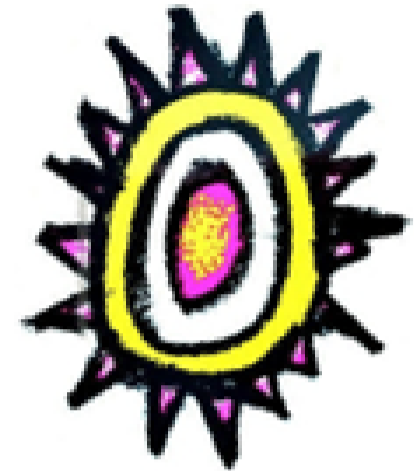


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**DROP OFF & COLLECTION VIA
RUTTS TERRACE ONLY**



May Half Term Playscheme Booking **OPEN NOW**

School's *not quite* out for summer - but, this half term, we are here to answer your childcare call once more...

A warm welcome guaranteed from our staff with a wide range of activities with a mixture of adult led and independent choices.

We are delighted to let you know that booking is open for our fabulous half-term play scheme.

We are open **from 9am - 5pm,**
Tuesday - Friday
30th May - 2nd June

Using the School Gateway app, you can now book for 1 day, 2 days or the whole week!

A flat rate of £30 per day
*subject to availability

Morning and afternoon snacks provided. Just bring a packed lunch and a water bottle and have great day, supervised by our amazing staff.

Open to Waller and Non-Waller children - bring a friend from a different school or make new connections within your community

Non-Waller families should email ewrap@edmundwaller.lewisham.sch.uk for details about how to access booking.

