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Edmund Waller WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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06th October 2023

"Come a little bit closer, Hear what I have to say" - Harvest Moon, N Young

That's right, just a bit closer... We are putting the call out to the amazing Edmund Waller community to come together and support the most vulnerable members of our area. This week - in keeping with our key value of Humanity - we are collecting food as part of our way of marking Harvest festival. You should have received an email explaining that the school will be a collection point for 'Feed the Hill' a local foodbank outlining the items that they are most in need of.

FEED THE HILL



We doubt there is a family out there who have not been impacted by the economic pressures that have buffeted the country in recent years. There is an endless roll call of increasingly depressing statistics out there:

- Food prices increased by 19.1% in the 12 months to March 2023, the sharpest jump since August 1977.
- Over 89% of independent food banks reported increased need for their services in December 2022 compared with December 2021

click on the Big Issue logo for a more in depth exploration



You can bring your donations to the main office. Feed the Hill will be collecting our donation as part of a special Harvest assembly, next Friday - 15th October. Please try to get your donations in before then.

Thanks.



School Photos

Having done such a nice job on the class photographs last year, we are delighted to be welcoming back David & Justin from Picturebox to take individual and sibling photographs. They will be here on the **9th & 10th October**. An email regarding arrangements was sent out this afternoon.



School Lunch Update

Thanks for the emails and conversations around school lunches. This week, we met with our lunch contractor (Nourish) to pass on the messages from parents and look at how we can improve the service. We have been reassured that there will be a swift and noticeable improvement in terms of options and portion sizes. We even had a visit from a surprise Nourish guest... As ever, please continue to send feedback to: hello@edmundwaller.lewisham.sch.uk

Recognition Assembly

Head over to the [Latest News](#) section of the school website to see whose work has been chosen for the phase recognition assemblies. Due to safeguarding considerations we choose to not feature names on the work, but, if your child says they were recognised in assembly, you should be able to find their work live and online.

Something in the Post...ish!

Keep an eye out for a special delivery lurking in book bags or the pockets of the snazzy new EW backpacks (available from the main office now!). To recognise moments where children embody the school values or follow the school rules, we are sending home postcards to let families know their child has been an exemplary member of the Edmund Waller community!



We've Got Mail

Our office@ email address gets inundated with emails so we have a number of alternative addresses, these are checked regularly and will help get your message across more swiftly:

Illness/absence/appointments:

attendance@edmundwaller.lewisham.sch.uk

change of collection routine:

pickup@edmundwaller.lewisham.sch.uk

wraparound queries:

ewrap@edmundwaller.lewisham.sch.uk

enrichments and clubs

clubs@edmundwaller.lewisham.sch.uk

inclusion questions:

send@edmundwaller.lewisham.sch.uk

home learning related:

remoteteaching@edmundwaller.lewisham.sch.uk

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anything else that is not office related
hello@edmundwaller.lewisham.sch.uk

AUTUMN TERM DATES

Weds 6th September - Thursday 19th
October

Parent Teacher Consultations - Tues 17th
& Weds 18th October

Friday 20th October - INSET DAY

Half-term & Playscheme: Mon 23rd Oc-
tober - Fri 27th October

Mon 30th October - Weds 20th Decem-
ber

Monday 8th Jan - INSET DAY

Tuesday 9th Jan - Spring term starts

Unwelcome Visitors - HELP PLEASE

We are getting numerous reports from across the school of unwanted guests taking residence in our children's hair. Please take a moment each week to check over your child's hair and, should your child be carrying any new friends, take the appropriate course of treatment. Head (!) over to the Hedrin website - by clicking on the louse below! - for information about prevention and treatment.





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Need to get your little monsters out of the house?
We're open for the whole of half-term for children from Rec - Y6!!

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.



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

A warm welcome guaranteed from our staff with a wide range of activities with a mixture of adult led and independent choices.
See next page for timetable of events - all events included in the fee.

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

We are open from 9am -5pm,
Monday - Friday, 23rd October - 27th October*

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 demand



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October Half Term Playscheme 2023

Monday 23 rd Oct	Tuesday 24 th Oct	Wednesday 25 th Oct	Thursday 26 th Oct	Friday 27 th Oct
Welcome and settling activities	We're off to Catford cinema CATFORD MEWS + popcorn! <i>Film tbc</i>	Exploring the school site: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ball games in the cage Exploring the Nature Zone Film & Games Room 	Adventure Playground Time! 	 Pizza PARTY

