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# Edmund Waller

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

23rd February 2024



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### Good Sports Also!

We often use this newsletter to spotlight the breadth of the curriculum and the range of our children's academic achievements . However, Edmund Waller, also has a long standing tradition of sporting success. Just before half term, Mr Reid (Nathan) and Ms Grabarek, accompanied the Girls United squad to an interschool tournament, held at Turnham Academy in Brockley. The team behaved impeccably. Of course, it is the taking part that counts. However, winning every match (including a 7-1 pasting for their final opponents) is also very pleasing ; )

As well as the Girls United tournament, we also have a well established presence in the

Lewisham Primary Football League. Mr Sandiford, our coach *extraordinaire*, led all 3 of our teams into the finals last season. This season, the early signs are promising, with a 6-0 win over Dalmain Primary School before the half term. Don't forget that all families are welcome to head up to Blackheath Common on a Saturday to cheer the school's teams on. The children and staff always appreciate a bit of support.



### Money, Money, Money!

Last week, we wrote about the very pleasing number of first choices we have received for our Reception intake for Sept 2024. This is a real boost to our future budget. However, this year is a challenging one for all schools. As we come to the end of the tax year, we are asking that all parents double check their ParentPay accounts to ensure any outstanding monies are paid (by the end of this month...please!)

This could be Educational Visits & Visitors contributions, enrichment payments and even outstanding EWrap fees. We'll take it all! Don't forget there is also the option to make a donation to school fund... ; )

### Yes, We're Marching!

Yes, Edmund Waller will be representing, next Friday, **1st March 2024**, as Lewisham schools assemble and march through Catford to raise the profile of the impact of poor housing conditions on the lives of their pupils. Mr Absolom will be taking a cross section of the school community out on to the streets, with their peers, to make sure the candidates for the upcoming Lewisham Mayoral elections are made aware of the challenges faced by its youngest citizens and their families. As part of this, we are asking any families who face an issue with their housing to contact the school - either by email via [hello@edmundwaller.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:hello@edmundwaller.lewisham.sch.uk) , or, by talking to Mr Absolom or Ms Rennie in the playground.

### Community Conversation#3

We are very pleased to be able to let you know that the school's next community conversation will take place on **Wednesday 28th February @2:30pm**. We will be looking at the issue of housing again, but this time, we will be getting ready for the school's participation in next week's Housing Assembly with the candidates for the upcoming Lewisham Mayoral Elections. See *right* for more info.



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### TAKE ACTION FOR SAFE HOUSING IN LEWISHAM!

Where and when?

- **Friday 1st March, 1pm arrival for 1:15pm start**
- **1:15pm-2:00pm:** assembly at Rushey Green Primary School
- **2:00-2:30pm:** public march to Lewisham Council

Too many Lewisham residents suffer poor housing conditions in silence. Join us for a **public assembly with Lewisham's mayoral candidates** to share our communities' experience of housing and ask them to work with us on the most urgent housing issues.

With an **election approaching**, this is an opportunity to ensure that the next Mayor of Lewisham prioritises improving housing conditions in the borough, including **damp, mould, and disrepair**.

Scan the QR code to register and learn more:



Address: Rushey Green Primary School, Main Hall, SE6 2LA, march to Laurence House, SE6 4RU

For more information, contact [erica.scott@citizensuk.org](mailto:erica.scott@citizensuk.org)

### SUMMER ENRICHMENT CLUBS

Last chance to apply for summer enrichment clubs! Application will close on **Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> February at midday**. [Click here](#) to apply. Places will be confirmed on parent pay on by Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> March.

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# DISCO



**Friday 23 February**  
**Lloyd Hall**

**5-6 pm Year 2 & under**  
**6-8 pm Year 3 & above**

**Entry: £1.50 per person**

Siblings can stay with older children  
& vice versa.

Hot food, soft drinks, snacks, face painting, tattoos & more  
Wine and beer for the adults.

### ADULTS

Please ensure you supervise the children in your care  
throughout the disco.  
Children will not be admitted without a responsible adult.



## Get your little bunnies out of the house!

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

## EasterWrap

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We are delighted to let you know that booking is open for our  
fabulous Easter Playscheme.

We are open from 9am - 5pm  
Tues - Fri  
2<sup>nd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> April  
Mon - Fri  
8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> April

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

A flat rate of £30 per day

Discount for early booking:  
Week 1 = 4 days for £100  
Week 2 = 5 days for £125



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](mailto:ewrap@edmundwaller.lewisham.sch.uk)  
for details about how to access booking.

**New & Improved for Easter**  
Following a review of our  
playscheme offering, we are  
making the following changes for  
forthcoming Playschemes:

- Higher staff ratio
- Newly resourced adult-led activities
- On-site workshops
- On-site pizza party
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Each week there will be
  - one free visit (local park/museum etc)
  - one paid visit (see overview)

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

