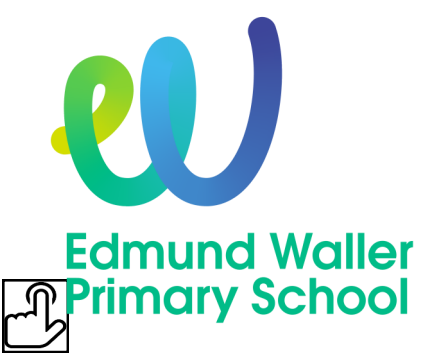
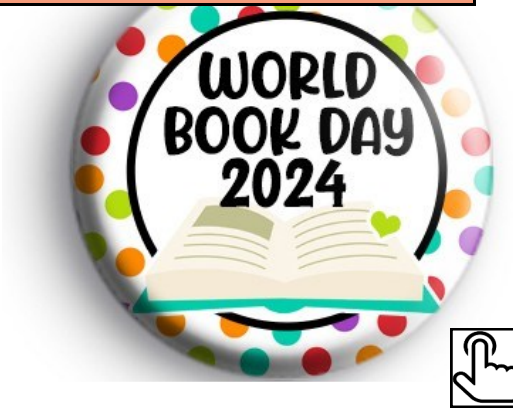


	THIS WEEK'S NEWS	
TODAY - PTA Used Book Sale PTA Read-a-thon - GET READING	Next Week we celebrate 07.03.24 World Book Day Football Winners	School Disco success Easter Wrap Booking



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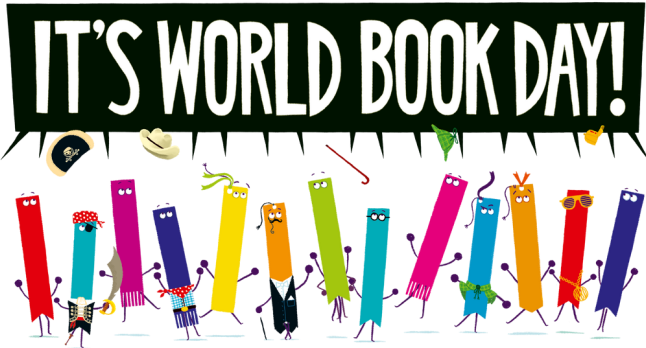
Ready to Read!

Yes, it's that time again - World Book Day is upon us! Now entering its 27th year, this is a day where we put the spotlight on the importance of reading for our children. As well as being a crucial life skill, the statistics linked to the impact on poor reading attainment and life chances as an adult are well documented and quite stark. Sorry, that's all a bit much... Most importantly, it's fun!

So much fun, that one day is simply not enough time to celebrate it. As a result, our reading lead, Ms Murtagh, has organised a **full week** of reading based fun. In fact, we are kicking off *this* week with the PTA used book sale. A chance for everyone to come and purchase a high quality reading book at a seriously reduced price. Come and have a browse after school today. Also starting today is the PTA's read-a-thon. The children will have been told about this in today's recognition assemblies and the sponsorship forms have been sent home... Get reading and make some money to boot!

Next week, there is a jam-packed week of fun - we have authors, poets and book sales galore. SO much is happening that we will never fit it in this newsletter in detail. However, we have added a schedule below - click on each of the author's names to learn a little more about what they do. There will be a chance to meet the author, buy a book and even get an autograph at the end of each of their days'.

On Wednesday and Thursday, we welcome back Eddie from Jubilee books, who will bring a red hot selection of all the latest offerings for the younger reader, plus a fair few classics too.



Date	During School	After school
Mon 4th March	Author Visit: Ramya Julian	Read-a-thon @home - get started with the sponsored read!
Tues 5th March	Author Visit: Alan Durant	Author book sale + signing
Weds 6th March	Jubilee Books Browsing	Book Sale
Thurs 7th March WORLD BOOK DAY	Bedtime Stories - Wear PJs, bring Ted! Jubilee Books Browsing	Book Sale
Fri 8th March	Author Visit: Clare Pollard	Author book sale + signing

PTA Readathon

You will have received sponsorship forms for the PTA led Read-a-thon. As part of World Book Day and partnered with Usborne books, we are asking as many children as possible to participate. The read-a-thon, will last for the month of March. Not only will every penny be spent on updating the books across the school, Usborne books will give an additional 60% on all money raised to spend on new books. i.e. if we raise £1000, they will give us £1600 to spend! What else is there to say? Get reading!!!



Easter Wrap booking

Following on from a humdinger of a holiday playscheme during Spring Half-Term, our fabulous EWrap team will be opening their doors for the entire Easter holiday. Places are going quickly - please book soon to avoid disappointment!

Oh, What a Night...

Wow and more wow! The children dance, the parents socialised and the PTA ruled! Last week's disco was GREAT! The kids had an amazing time and thanks to your generosity, it looks to have raised around £3000 for the PTA and the school. A MASSIVE thanks to the PTA for making the evening such a success.

SPRING TERM DATES (SPRING #2)

Monday 19th Feb - Thursday 28th March

4th March - World Book Day..errr...WEEK

7th March - World Book Day - Pyjamas & Teddy Dress Up Day

14th March - Comic Relief - CAKE SALE

Thurs 28th March - End of Term

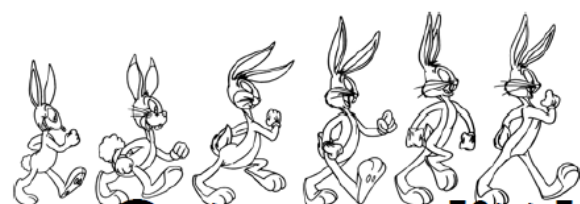
And the Winners Were...
...Everyone!

Following last week's celebration of our football teams efforts, we are delighted to be able to tell you that the Edmund Waller teams won every match, last Saturday, up on Blackheath Common. A HUGE well done to the teams and to Nathan and Dorson for leading them so well.



EASTER WRAP

We are filling up fast...
Full week discounts available until **11th March**
Cancellations/amendments available until booking closes **Friday 15th March**
Booking closes
GREAT FUN available every day **2nd - 12th April**



**Get your little
bunnies out of the
house!**

EasterWrap
Edmund Waller
Primary School

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

We are open from **9am - 5pm**
Tues - Fri
2nd - 5th April
Mon - Fri
8th - 12th 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

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

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)



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.



EasterWrap
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Please see below for the outline of planned activities for Easter Playscheme.

Please ensure your child wears the appropriate clothing for both the weather and the activity.

Children will be back on site by 3pm each visit day, please speak to a member of staff if you need further information.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
BANK HOLIDAY CLOSED	2nd April Easter Egg Scramble & Hunt	3rd April Nature Zone Workshops w/Ema Felix	4th April Mudchute City Farm Visit	5th April Art Workshops w/Josey
8th April Art Workshops w/Josey	9th April	10th April Catford Mews Cinema Film tbc	11th April Somerville Adventure Playground	12th April onsite - Cinema afternoon - popcorn and films

