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# Edmund Waller

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### 28th March 2024

**LAST DAY TODAY**  
We close at normal time,  
EWrap IS open and we'll  
be back on **Monday 15th**  
**April!**



**A Half Term of Hits?!**

As we come to the end of what has been an incredibly busy half term, we thought we 'd revisit a few of the highlights of the last 5 weeks... We have certainly squeezed a fair bit in... As you cast your mind back to Feb, you will see that our children have been actively involved in a wide range of activities. We have marched through the streets of Lewisham demanding better housing, we have performed to a packed house at St Catherine's church and participated in two key nationwide campaigns - World Book Day and Comic Relief. Into this mix you can also add a dash of disco (PTA school disco) and a lot of learning too.



Members of the school council took part in a march to protest about the impact of poorly maintained housing on the learning of Lewisham's youngest citizens. In this 'housing action', the children met the now Lewisham Mayor, Brenda Dacres, to hear her thoughts on how best to improve conditions for Lewisham residents. Then, along with 5 other primary schools, and armed with our Edmund Waller banner, they took to the streets to deliver an open letter demanding improvements around the issue of social housing, to the town hall. Keep your eyes peeled for news of next term's Community Conversation - you can be part of the movement too!



As well as local campaigns, our children took part in marking two national campaigns. Ms. Murtagh, excelled herself in the organisation of this year's World Book Day events. We can't wait to see what she has in store for next year. Speaking of reading (!) - the PTA have been in touch and, thanks to the community's incredible support for this month's read-a-thon, we are heading towards **£3000** to spend on new books! Thanks so much. The read-a-thon ends today, please contact the PTA if you still have money to contribute.  
Your generosity has also extended to supporting those in need, with over **£800** raised for this year's Comic Relief appeal.  
And so, with an eye on the clock, counting down the last couple hours of the Spring term, we wanted to finish with a HUGE THANKS to all of the families that make Edmund Waller a very special place to learn at, work in & be part of! Thank you and have restful Easter break.



**The FINAL Countdown**

Wahey - football greatness beckons once more.... We are delighted to be able to say that, last weekend, Edmund Waller's football team trounced all-comers, winning 6 matches in a row! One of these matches was the semi-final of the cup. We are therefore finalists in this year's cup competition. We will share the date of the final, when it is announced, in the newsletter

**PTA Quiz**

Having destroyed the disco, razed the read-a-thon, the PTA now have their sights set on their next venture - the PTA quiz! See below!  
**Friday 26 April 7:30pm**  
**Tickets £10 and includes a drink**  
**Doors open 7pm and quiz starts at 7:30pm**  
**Venue: Lloyd hall, Waller road**

Paid bar and food available  
Come in a team or join a team on the night. Maximum 6 per team. Purchase tickets after school in the playground on Friday 19 April or email [PTAedmundwaller@gmail.com](mailto:PTAedmundwaller@gmail.com)

**Science Winners**

Thanks to all of you who submitted an entry for the British Science Week poster competition. We were blown away by the quality of the entries. However, we could only submit 5 entries into the competition. Representing the school will be: Sienna Y2, Clara Y6, Lyra Y2 and Soli Rec and ErinY6.  
**Soli** and **Erin** are the school's winners and will receive a small token of recognition after the Easter break... Congrats



**Simpler with SumUp**

Following the slick organisation of recent PTA events, acknowledging how clunky ParentPay is and taking direct inspiration from an email from a Y1 parent (thanks!), you will find below quick links to payments for Educational Visits and Visitors, as well as School Fund. There is no obligation to use either and they are set as a 'pay what you can' payment. As we crawl towards the end of the financial year, please use them to either pay for your child's visits/visitors (suggested = £10 per term) or make a donation to the school's future work via the school fund. Click on the correct cheque below to make a contribution...





**SPRING TERM DATES  
(SPRING #2)**

**Thurs 28th March - End of Term**  
**2nd - 12th April - EasterWrap Play-scheme**  
**Monday 15th April - Summer Term Starts**  
**Friday 19th April - PTA AGM**  
**Friday 26th April - PTA QUIZ NIGHT**  
**Friday 24th May - INSET DAY**