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26th April = PTA Quiz 24th May = INSET DAY + EWrap	Welcome back to Summer Term Trees for Freddy	Ahlberg Hall and Kitchen Area Update Read-a-thon Total



Edmund Waller

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

19th April 2024



Welcome Back

We can assure you that we all felt that wrench when the alarm sounded on Monday morning! However, the children (and adults!!) have all got back into the swing of the school day, beautifully. As well as the excellent relationships that the adults and children have developed, the culture of visible kindness and the exciting learning opportunities that the children experience, the school site is also a very welcoming place. We wanted to take this opportunity to publicly thank the premises team (Tom Slack & Dan Hudson) for the fireless work that they do to keep our expansive school grounds so well maintained. A special nod to Dan for the planting and upkeep. Thanks



Whilst much of the school looks glorious and welcoming, like all households, we have corners we would prefer visitors not to see! One such space is the back of Ahlberg and the pond area. We are incredibly lucky to have a pond - complete with newts and frogs - but the area around the pond is looking a bit tired! (see photo > right >)

We have some good news regarding this as we have successfully applied for some funding to develop this area. Our intention is to create a 'community kitchen', complete with kitchen garden and refresh the pond area, allowing us to have a dedicated space for teaching of cooking, for the community to use and to safeguard the school's varied biodiversity. This money from Lewisham will be topped up by the incredible PTA and we will keep you all posted on the progress here.



Ahlberg pond area - revamp coming soon!

Keeping with the theme of the local environment, the keen eyed amongst you will have spotted new trees being planted across the local area. These trees are labelled 'Freddy's Blossom Walk'. They have been planted by the family of Freddy Forbes Adams, a former pupil here at Edmund Waller, who sadly passed away in his sleep at far too young an age. His family are putting on a special night of music in memory of Freddy, and in conjunction with Street Trees for Living, which is being held at Haberdasher Askes, Jerningham Road site.

Music for the Trees has been put together by two local classical musicians and Edmund Waller's orchestra leaders, Una Birtchnell and John Human. It will consist of several classical, operatic as well as contemporary performances. If you would like to attend and show your support more details of the evening and tickets can be found via the link below.

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/musicforthetrees/1210705>



INSET WRAP

Some of us (obvs not my good self ;)) will already be looking ahead in the calendar to the next school holiday. We wanted to flag up the fact that there is an INSET day before half term starts (**Friday 24th May**) However, never fear, EWrap is here! We will be open from 9am - 5pm on the Friday. We will also be open for playscheme during the half term too. Booking details will be sent out shortly.



QUIZ

Friday 26th April
7.30p.m
Estimated end: 10p.m.

Venue: Lloyd Hall, Waller Road

Doors open at 7p.m.
QUIZ starts at 7.30p.m.

Paid bar & food available.

Come in a team or join a team on the night. Maximum 6 per team.

TICKETS £10 & INCLUDES A DRINK!

Purchase tickets after school in the playground on Friday 19 April or email: PTAedmundwaller@gmail.com



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!

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Tickets £10 and includes a drink
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Thank you for taking part in our

Ready Steady Read

We have

£5,920

to spend on books for our School!

In partnership with 

Readathon WOW

News reached us over half term, of the quite mind boggling total raised by YOU, the school community, as part of the PTA's read-a-thon, last term. We are stunned and very grateful to the PTA, and to the community. We are planning to use the money to completely overhaul our non-fiction books - we will keep you posted.

SPRING TERM DATES (SPRING #2)

Monday 15th April - Summer Term Starts

Friday 19th April - PTA AGM
Friday 26th April - PTA QUIZ NIGHT
Friday 24th May - INSET DAY
Mon 26th - Fri 31st May - Half Term
Mon 3rd June - Thursday 25th July Summer Term #2

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