

## THIS WEEK'S NEWS

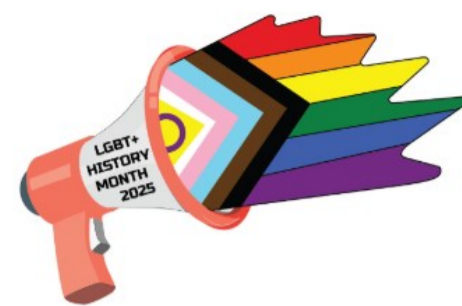
- LGBT+ History Month
- Summer Concert - DATE CHANGE

- NEXT WEEK = WALLER BOOK WEEK

- Ramadan Mubarak
- 06.03.25 - World Book Day

# Edmund Waller WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

28th February 2025



### Teddy, Are You Ready?

Ready for what? Ready for Waller Book Week! Yep, it's that time again - World Book Day is upon us.

We don't feel that dedicating a single day to what is one of the most essential life-skills, is enough. Cue a jam-packed week celebrating all things literary - we have authors, assemblies, book signings, workshops, book fair and even some great prizes to win via the PTA's golden ticket campaign. More about this soon!

**Thursday 6th March is World Book Day** itself. As a parent of two children who have attended primary school, the phrase 'World Book Day' still sends a shudder down my spine, not because we don't love reading in the Absolom household - more that it reminds me of several hideous 'night before's' where we were left trying to conjure up a book related costume out of whatever we had laying around the house!! We wanted to remind you that we will mark World Book Day by asking children who want to, to come to school in their pyjamas and they can bring a teddy along too! Of course, should you be more organised/gluttons for punishment, you can still put together a book based costume... Otherwise let the teddy take the strain and relax the night before... See below for a timetable of book based bants!



We are often asked about what parents can do to support their child's learning outside of school and the truest and most honest answer we can ever give is to support your child with their reading, at whatever level is appropriate to them - hear them read, read to them, discuss books and characters, whatever it takes to foster a love of reading. Join us then, next week,

#### Summer Concert - DATE CHANGE

This year we have tried to be super organised and share key dates with you all as early as we can. The only issue with this is when the rest of the world are not as organised. Therefore, due to a double booking @ Goldsmiths, we have had to move the Y2 - Y6 Summer Concert from Thursday 12th June to **Wednesday 11th June**.

#### Monday's Assembly

February is the annual LGBT+ History Month. This aligns with our school mission to mark and celebrate contributions and achievements of under-represented groups within our society. This week, we looked at the life of National Trust founder and social housing reformer, Octavia Hill, in our whole school assembly. The children considered the challenges faced during her life and her legacy.

[See the slides here](#)

Day	During school	After School
Tuesday	<a href="#">Kat Francois - Poet</a> Jubilee Books Session	
Weds	<a href="#">Ramya Julian - Author</a> Jubilee Books Session	Jubilee Book Fair for parents
Thursday		Jubilee Book Fair for parents
Friday	<a href="#">Clare Pollard - Poet</a>	PTA Book Sale

#### SPRING TERM 2

**Monday 24th Feb - School reopens**  
**Fri 4th April - End of Spring Term**

**Mon 7th April - Thurs 17th April - Easter Playscheme**

**Tuesday 22nd April - School Reopens for Summer Term**  
**2024/25 Term Dates**

#### Ramadan Mubarak

We would like to send out our best wishes to everyone in our community (and beyond) who are marking this year's Ramadan festival. Ramadan is due to start between the 28th Feb/1st March - Ramadan Mubarak to you all.

Please check the following form and complete: [Ramadan Info](#)





New dates in  
**Green**  
Date changes  
in **RED**

# Spring 2025 - Key Dates

## Waller Book Week:

w.b. 3rd March

World Book Day - Thurs 6th March

## Spring Arts Performances

**DATE CHANGE - Monday 31st March 4.15pm**

Y1 choir performance, Rosen Hall

**Tuesday, 25th March, 4:15pm**

Ahlberg Hall, Lower Phase Drama Sharing

**Friday, 28th March 4.15pm**

Cooke Hall Upper Phase Drama Sharing

**Tuesday, 1st April, 3:40pm**

Rosen Hall - Piano Recital (all piano students)

**Thursday, 3rd April, 6pm**

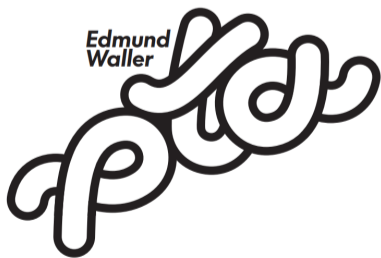
St Catherine's Church Y2 – 6 Choir and Orchestra Spring Concert

## SPORTS DAYS

Friday 6th June 2025 - Goldsmith Playing Fields

Y1 - Y3 - 10:15am

Y4 - Y6 - 1:00pm



## PTA Dates

Friday 7th March,

PTA Second-hand book sale

Friday, 21st March

PTA Quiz

Saturday 5th July

PTA Summer Fair

