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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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PTA Meeting
26th September - 2:30pm - come and see how you can be part of the fun?!

Welcome back/So Fresh & So Clean!

The new playground surface!

And we are back! We hope this find you all well and happy , following the summer break.

It's been a very successful first 3 days, with the children settling quickly into the routines and expectations of their new class and busy delving into their new class biomes.

Whilst many of you were having a break during August, the school has been a hive of activity. It's not often that we lead with photos of deserted playgrounds and blank display boards but we wanted to share some of the summer developments with the community.

Starting with the children's favourite addition - the new floor covering around the climbing frame. Gone is the crumbling soft pour surface and in with the new snazzy green all weather finish. Huge thanks to the PTA for supporting this very popular change!

You will also see us channelling our inner Scandi-minimalist in the photo of Rosen top hall. We have had the whole of Rosen redecorated and it looks amazing. Such an improvement on the very tired interior.

We need also to take a moment to say a HUGE thanks to the premises team - Tom Slack and Paul Stancyzk, who have worked tirelessly to keep the contractors on schedule and to get the classrooms ready for the children's return. It wasn't all plain-sailing (!), but it's done! We look forward to you seeing the fruits of everyone's labour, over the coming months.

A gleaming Rosen Hall!

Big Half - This Sunday

Also not resting in their laurels during the summer break were the EW Big Half runners. These plucky souls have been getting ready to take on the mean streets of London town to take part in this year's Big Half. This takes place on Sunday 7th September. Aside from the running it makes for a great day out, so, even if you aren't taking part you can head down to Greenwich to see the EW PTA shirted runners passing the finishing line. This year, the PTA are raising money for our new OPAL playground project. Click here or on the BIG HALF logo to access the EW PTA's Just Giving Page.

Opal Play

You'll be hearing a lot about OPAL over the next few months. It stands for Outdoor Play And Learning. It's a huge change in the way we approach the playground and what we provide for the children during their break times. We will be writing in more depth about what this looks like and how it works over the coming weeks. In the meantime, you can click on the logo below to find out more.
The biggest thing for the moment is for families to send their children in with clothing that matches the weather - **if it's raining, we're still playing!**

Meet the Teacher

It's time to meet the new class teacher in your child's life. See the email or the table here for the schedule for the Meet the Teacher sessions, which take place next week. An opportunity to put a face to a name and hear about the expectations and routines for the coming year. The presentations will be shared with all families after each meeting.

Date	Year Group	Time
Mon 08.09	Year 1	3:45pm
Tues 09.09	Year 5	3:45pm
	Year 6	4:30pm
Weds 10.09	Year 4	3:45pm
Thurs 11.09	Year 2	3:45pm
	Year 3	4:30pm
Fri 12.09	Rockpool/ Waterfall Class	9:15am/ after drop off