

## THIS WEEK'S NEWS

- Black History Month Launch
- PTA - New Face and New Ideas

- 21.10 & 22.10 - Parent Teacher Meetings
  - OPAL - Chalk Brings Joy!

- 06.10 - Playscheme Bookings OPENS
- 06.10 - Breck Foundation for Families

# Edmund Waller WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

2nd October 2025



## Meet the Teacher... Coming Soon



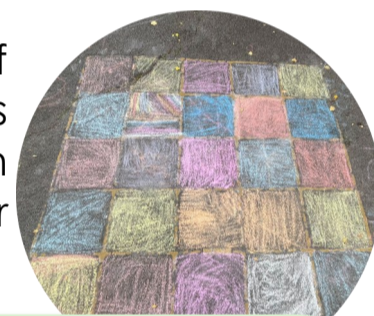
Next week, you will receive an email with instructions around how to book an appointment for this term's Parent Teacher meetings. We use an online booking system provided by parents-booking.co.uk. We have used this for the last 3 years and it has proved far more successful and popular than the previous system, which relied on filling in your preferences on a physical form.

These meetings are 10minute sessions to hear how your child has settled into their new class and how they approach the day from an academic and social perspective. You will also get to see your child's work and their classroom environment. These meetings will take place between 3:50pm and 7:00pm, Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd October.



## Here on the Chalkface

I know I said I would refrain from OPAL updates for a couple of weeks BUT the sheer joy that the introduction of coloured chalk has brought to virtually the entire school population needs to be acknowledged. Just look at their face's.... Awww



### Thanks to the Faces, Old & New!

The ineffable Edmund Waller PTA were delighted to have so many new faces join them at last week's meeting. We were really pleased to see some of our resource base families join the meeting. They had some invaluable suggestions about how we can work together to make our future events even more inclusive. If you have any ideas you would like to share with the PTA then please email:

[PTAEdmundWaller@gmail.com](mailto:PTAEdmundWaller@gmail.com)

### Y4 Roman Workshop

Last week, we asked you to make your termly payment towards Trips & Visitors - thanks to all of you out there who have paid up! Year 4 had a brilliant day being fully immersed in Ancient Roman culture. The workshops were fantastic and the children were fascinated as they delved into life as a Roman. If you have yet to make your contribution, please head over to ParentPay to do so. Thanks



### Black History Month 2025

This year's Black History Month will be introduced to the children with an assembly on **Monday 6th October** led by Ms Kalitsi (Y5) and Ms Rennie. This year's BHM theme is "Standing Firm in Power and Pride," a powerful tribute to the resilience, strength, and unwavering commitment to progress that defines the Black community across the globe. This year, the theme highlights the profound contributions made by Black people be they leaders, activists, or pioneers who have shaped history, while also looking towards a future of continued empowerment, unity, and growth. Click on the BHM banner (left of this box) to find out more.

### "Cauliflowers Fluffy, Cabbages Green..."

...is the refrain I can hear now as I frantically try and get this out to you before the end of the school day. Its Harvest Assembly and the children are in Rosen Hall to mark this event, right now! The Edmund Waller community have been incredibly generous with your donations for those in need. All donations are being sent to the lovely people at Feed the Hill in New Cross. Thanks so much.



### October Playscheme

Oh yes, it's that time again already. Bookings will open for EWrap's October half term playscheme on **Monday 6th October**. See the 2nd page for the programme of activities and information on pricing - we are looking forward to a fantastic week. Get ready to get booking...

## BRECK FOUNDATION



### Breck Foundation

A reminder that next week see the Breck Foundation coming to give children in Y1 -Y6 workshops and practical tips on how to stay safe online. There is a parent's workshop, which is delivered via Zoom, on **Monday 6th October @6pm**

## Autumn Term #1

### Parent Teacher Meetings

Tues 21st & Weds 22nd Oct

**HALF TERM (& Playscheme)**

Mon 27th - Fri 31st October

6th Nov - Flu Vaccinations



Get your little monsters out of the house!

We're open for the whole of half-term.

There are a range of visits, activities and time to play and explore the school site.

Get booking NOW!



Book All 5 days for £170

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](mailto: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.

We are delighted to let you know that booking is open for our fabulous half-term play scheme.

We are open **from 9am -5pm**,  
Monday - Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> October - 31<sup>st</sup> October\*

Using the School Gateway app, you can now book for 1 day, 2 days or the whole week!

A flat rate of **£40 per day**  
\*subject to demand  
**FRIDAY = £20 Discounted Rate £20**

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

See next page for timetable of events - all events included in the fee.



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### October Half Term Playscheme 2025

Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct *£20 Per day Discount
<p>Welcome and settling activities</p> <p>Crafts Activities Sports Activities</p>	 <p>Adventure Playground Time!</p>	<p>Peckham Rye Park visit</p> <p>*weather permitting</p> 	 <p>Flip Out - Canary Wharf</p>	<p>Fri-yay PARTY! Bouncy Castle and lots of fun!</p> 

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