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Dear Edinburgh Families

A HUGE thank you to Edinburgh Primary School PTA, and to all who supported the events organised for families to enjoy last year. Some of the money raised paid for a theatre company to visit our school.

This morning, the whole school had a fabulous start to the day with a funny and heart-warming performance of *Aladdin*. The plot reminded us all that friendship is much more valuable than money. Let's remember this and our school value of kindness as we welcome December on Monday.

It will be wonderful to see you all at the Winter Fair on Thursday.

I hope you all enjoy a restful weekend.

Best wishes

Ellie Green

Miss E Green - Head Teacher

In this week's newsletter you will find information about the following:

- Christmas/Winter Jumper Day & Chocolate Collection
- EPS Values Celebration
- EPS Healthy Eating Awards
- School Streets: Your Views Matter
- EPS Celebrate Good Attendance
- Class Corner: Banyan
- Diary Dates

Christmas/Winter Jumper Day & Chocolate Collection



On **Monday 1st December**, we would like everyone to wear a winter jumper or Christmas jumper and bring some chocolate as "payment". The chocolate will be used for prizes on the tombola at our Winter Fair on Thursday.

Chocolate biscuits, big bars, little bars, boxes of chocolates...in fact, any chocolatey treat, will be gratefully received.

EPS Values Celebration

Respect - Resilience - Kindness - Positivity - Confidence - Aspiration

We were unable to hold our usual Values Celebration assembly this morning, due to the pantomime. Next week's awards assembly will be an extra-special one!

EPS Healthy Eating Awards



Banyan: Ailin, Cenk, Zarak
Ginkgo: Emilia, Hashir **Hornbeam:** Leila
Pine: Minahil, Zara, Ruby

Please remember we are a healthy school. Crisps, sweets or chocolate bars are **not** allowed.

School Streets: Your Views Matter

I met with two members of the local resident's association on Tuesday. They are campaigning for Queens Road to become a School Street. This would mean that unauthorised vehicles would not be allowed to travel along Queens road between 08:00 and 09:30 or 14:30 and 16:00 during term time. More information can be found via the following link: [School Streets | London Borough of Waltham Forest](#)

They shared this statistic:

- 80-90% of traffic along Queens Road is through traffic

I would like to gain an understanding of the views among our school community to explore whether this would make a positive difference.

I have also suggested that the residents committee meet with our good neighbours at the Mosque to gauge their feelings about the proposal.

Please complete the attached survey. There are only 3 questions which should take about 60 seconds to complete. This is important so that I can reflect what our school community wants.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WXL7PD5>

EPS Celebrate Good Attendance

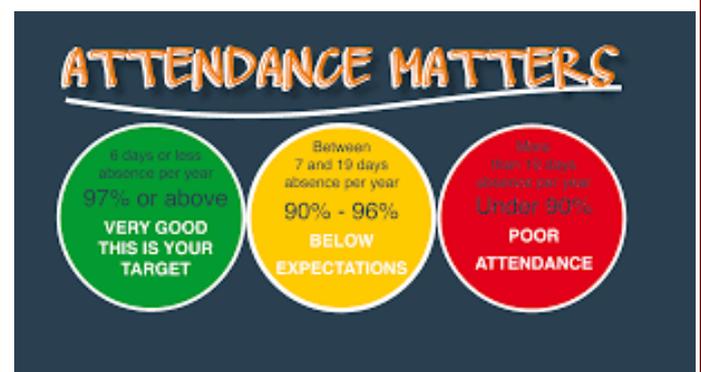
Week beginning: 24/11/25

Class:	Team Attendance:	
Banyan	90.4%	
Gingko	85.5%	
Hornbeam	92.1%	
Oak	97.1%	1st
Pine	95.5%	2nd
Tamarind	82.1%	
Maple	91.7%	
Whole School	91%	

Whole school attendance since September is 95.55%

I am extremely concerned about this week's attendance figures across school. When children miss school days they always miss out on valuable learning. This showed in Year 6 in particular this week as a number of children struggled with an assessment as they have big gaps in their knowledge as a result of persistent absence. Children who miss school also miss out on the social side of school life. Maintaining friendships becomes more difficult and emotional resilience suffers.

Let's aim for GREEN attendance across the board next week, especially in Year 6.

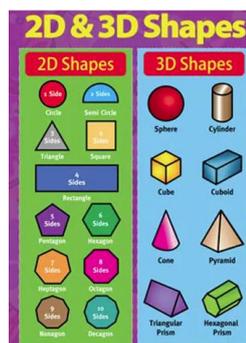
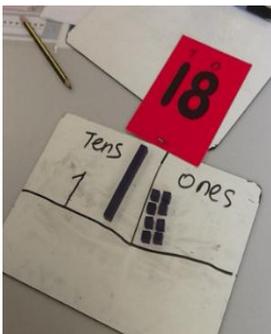


Banyan Class Corner

It has been a busy and exciting couple of weeks in Banyan Class. We started the term with a trip to Pumphouse Museum as part of our History topic on life in the 1950s. We saw artefacts from the 1950s. The museum had a fascinating array of historic generators and electrical equipment. We also saw a collection of vintage fire engines and ambulances. We also got to try on the Fire fighter's uniforms.



In Maths, Banyan One have been counting tens and ones. We have moved on to Geometry, where we have explored 2D and 3D shapes and their properties. Banyan Reception have been subitising, finding the composition of numbers 1-5 and finding 1 more.



In Science we have been identifying, describing and sorting out objects based on the material they are made from. We looked at Wood, Metal, Glass, Rock/Stone, Plastic, Fabric/cloth and Paper. We also carried out investigations such as: Which materials are waterproof? Which are strongest? Which materials are best for a specific job?

Diary Dates

DECEMBER 2025	
Monday 1 st – Friday 12th December	Year 6 Swimming
Wednesday 3 rd December	Reception 2026 Open Morning @ 9:00am Year 2/3 Hindu Temple Trip
Thursday 4 th December	Winter Fair @ 3.00pm – 4.30pm
Wednesday 10 th December	Reception & Year 1 Nativity @ 9.30am
Thursday 11 th December	Reception & Year 1 Fluoride Varnish Programme Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 12 th December	Y4/5 Queen Elizabeth Hunting Lodge Trip
Wednesday 17 th December	Christmas Dinner
Thursday 18 th December	Year 6 Ragged School Museum Trip
Friday 19 th December	Last Day of Term early finish 13:45
JANUARY 2026	
Monday 5 th January	Inset Day
Tuesday 6 th January	Children back to school
Thursday 22 nd January	Reception & Year 6 Height & Weight Check
FEBRUARY 2026	
Wednesday 4 th February	Year 2/3 Natural History Museum Trip
Monday 16 th – Friday 20 th	Half Term Holiday
Monday 23 rd February	Children return to school

