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Newsletter 16

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Dear Edinburgh Families

Happy New Year!

A very warm welcome back. It has been a wonderful start to the new year. Learning has resumed with gusto and high expectations of everyone have been set for the Spring Term. Teaching teams are planning engaging visits and experiences to bring learning to life. I know that each child will enjoy the term ahead.

Let's work together to improve attendance this term. No matter what the weather, school is a calm, warm environment. During lunchtimes, children always have the option to relax and play calm activities indoors, supervised by our MDA team. Let us know if your child is a little under the weather and we will look after them.

It is great to see more children enjoying the Breakfast Lounge each morning, fuelling their day ahead in a nurturing environment. Remember, this is FREE for all children.

The Homework Lounge is also FREE for all children from Y2-Y6 and runs until 15:50 from Monday to Thursday.

Mrs Joseph is having an operation next week and will be away from school whilst she recovers. If you have a child with SEND and have any questions in her absence, please see me. We wish Mrs Joseph a smooth and speedy recovery.

Best wishes

Ellie Green

Miss E Green - Head Teacher

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

- EPS Values Celebration
- EPS Star Awards
- EPS Healthy Eating Awards
- House Points
- EPS Celebrate Good Attendance
- Class Corner: Hornbeam & Ginkgo
- Local Support and Information
- Diary Dates

EPS Values Celebration

**Respect - Resilience -
Kindness -
Positivity – Confidence –
Aspiration**

Congratulations to EPS Values Award winners. It is my favourite moment of the week to hear the teachers talk so enthusiastically about the amazing achievements and values of our children.

Banyan:

Carter-Rose - Kindness

Ginkgo:

*Emilia - Confidence
Yacine - Positivity*

Hornbeam:

Musa - Kindness

Pine:

*Lawrence - Aspiration
Madhi - Resilience*

Oak:

*Amin - Positivity
Taliyah - Extra Special Achievement
Oak Class - Extra Special Achievement*

Tamarind:

Troy - Positivity

Maple:

Malakai - Kindness

I am very proud of you!

Thank you to everyone who came along to support today. It means a lot to us all.

EPS Star Awards



Reading Stars:

Raima - Oak

Armani- Tamarind

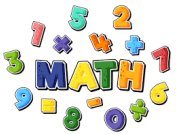


Spelling & Handwriting:

Smaranda - Tamarind

Azaan - Pine

Helen - Oak



Mathematician of the Week:

Mahia - Oak

Khadijah - Pine

Kaya - Maple

EPS Healthy Eating Awards



Banyan: Yara, David, Samaah

Hornbeam: Aaliyah, Yuxin, Alekc

Pine: Alaya, Khadijah **Oak:** Danaisha

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

House Points

Our winning house this week is:

Sapphire



There will be a reward for the winning House at the end of this half term.

EPS Celebrate Good Attendance



Week beginning: 06/01/26

Class:	Team Attendance:	
Banyan	88%	
Gingko	100%	1st
Hornbeam	94.4%	
Oak	98%	3rd
Pine	100%	1st
Tamarind	98.4%	2nd
Maple	93.7%	
Whole School	96%	

Whole school attendance since September is 95.14%

2 Classes with 100% attendance is fantastic. Well Done to Gingko and Pine!

There will be a reward for the class with the highest attendance at the end of this half term.

Please see the attendance ladder below. Where does your child stand on this ladder? If there is an issue with your child attending school regularly, please talk to us.

We will work together to help.

Attendance Ladder

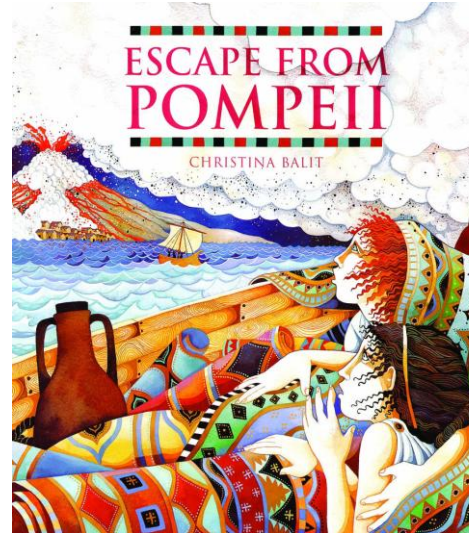


Ginkgo Class

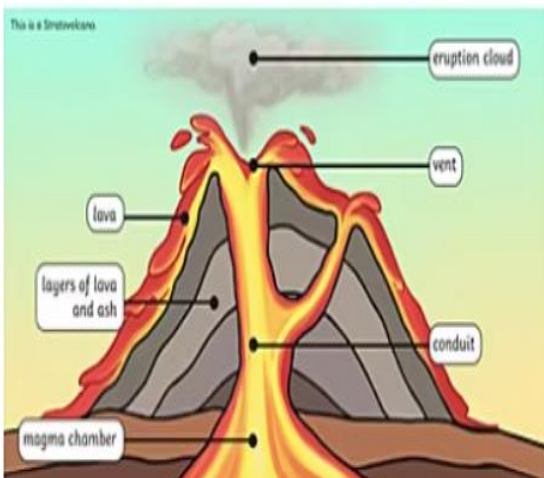
Ginkgo Class have made a fantastic comeback after the Christmas holidays! The children have returned full of energy, enthusiasm, and curiosity, ready to dive into their learning for the new term.

English - Focus

In English, children have been captivated by our new book called 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Balit. Using the book's powerful illustrations and gripping storyline, they have made thoughtful predictions about what might happen next and shared their ideas confidently. The children have also been developing their writing skills by using expanded noun phrases to add detail and description, helping them to create vivid and engaging pieces inspired by the text. It has been fantastic to see their creativity and imagination flourish through their writing!



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Geography The children have made a fantastic start to the new term in Geography with an exciting topic on volcanoes. Children have been learning about volcanoes and how they are formed. They have explored the structure of the Earth and investigated how the movement of tectonic plates can lead to volcanic activity. Children have learned about different types of plate movement, including when plates collide or move apart, and discussed the effects these movements can have on the Earth's surface.

Science - Rocks and Soil

In Science, children have begun a hands-on new topic on Rocks and Soil. They have started to identify different types of rocks and learn about their properties and uses. Children have also explored how soil is formed and why it is important for plants and living things. Throughout this topic, children will take part in practical investigations to develop their observation and enquiry skills.

Types of Rocks

Igneous
rocks



Sedimentary
rocks



Metamorphic
rocks



A man with grey hair, wearing a green jacket, is smiling and holding several red apples in both hands. He is standing in front of a bright green van. The van has the words 'FELIX PROJECT' and 'FOR CAUSES' visible on its side. A yellow banner is overlaid on the top right of the image.

FREE FOOD
Just bring bags!

FELIX FRESH

The Felix Project, in partnership with BETTER, will be distributing free fresh fruit and vegetables.

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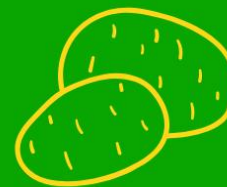
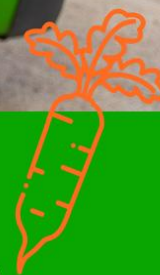
Tuesday 27th
January
1-3pm

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Walthamstow Leisure Centre,
243 Markhouse Rd, E17 8RN
W3W ///clubs.models.such

BRING YOUR BAGS, BOXES, TROLLEYS AND STRONG ARMS, AND TAKE HOME WITH YOU A VARIETY OF DELICIOUS, FRESH FOOD!

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Diary Dates

January 2026	
Monday 5 th January	Inset Day
Tuesday 6 th January	Children back to school
Monday 12 th January	Year 6 Booster Start
Thursday 22 nd January	Reception & Year 6 Height & Weight Check
February	
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
March	
Wednesday 4 th March	Class Photographs
Monday 16 th March	Rec & Year 1 Fluoride Varnish Programme
Friday 20 th March	Year 4/5 Pedestrian Training
Monday 30 th – Friday 10 th April	Easter Holiday
April	
Monday 13 th April	Children return to school

