



ELSLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

learning, sharing, achieving and respecting

July 2016

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Headteacher's Message Thank you all for a great year at Elsley. Staff and children have worked hard and deserve a well-earned rest.

There will be some changes over the summer with more new classrooms for the Reception children as they move into Year 1. The fences at the back of the school will be moved giving us more outdoor space up on the field. Later in the autumn term a MUGA (Multi-Use Games Area) will be built on part of the field enabling us to use the space during the winter.

We wish **farewell to Mrs Akhtar and Mr Holloway**, - one moving overseas and one to a school nearer to home. We also wish **hearty congratulations and every success to Mrs Sarkar** who, after serving Elsley as Deputy Head for 10 years, is becoming a Headteacher in another school. We thank her for all she has done in her many years at Elsley.

We **wish success to our Year 6 Graduates** as they leave us for their secondary schools. Finally, I wish everyone a good summer and I look forward to seeing **children back on Wednesday September 7th**.

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Expansion and Building Update

Over the summer new classrooms will be built for the new Year 1 classes in the playground.

The other building works will start in the Autumn Term. The Bekhamstead entrance will not be in use by the school once the major building works start.

Pupils return to school on Wednesday September 7th
All year groups will start at 8:55am



Recycling

We are now full recycling at Elsley.

Each classroom has one of these stylish recycling bins to celebrate the need to recycle and preserve our environment. There are also new recycling stations in the hall and playgrounds.

Changes to the Leadership Team

In light of our Deputy Headteacher leaving to become a Headteacher from September, the Board of Governors has approved the following appointments:

Shabiha Sayed and Kaniz Mulji as Deputy Headteachers.

Sharine Tyndale, Heena Kansara and Julie Cassiano as Assistant Headteachers and Tracy Hamilton as acting Assistant Headteacher.

Congratulations and best wishes to them all in their new roles.



If you change your mobile number, please inform the Office.

8:55am NEW SCHOOL START TIME from SEPTEMBER

To make the start times less confusing, from September school will start at the same time for all classes - Reception to Year 6. This is a 5 minute change for EY and KS1 and the start time for KS2 remains unchanged. We expect this to make life more straightforward for parents!



KEW English and Maths Tuition.

Registration on Wednesday September 7th and sessions will start the following week. 3:30pm every Wednesday at Elsley.

Contact KEW Tuition on 07742345880

One - Way System

Thank you for your support and cooperation with the one-way system. Parents and local residents have commented how much they appreciate the calmer roads, with less congestion and a smoother start to the morning.

Most importantly, this is making the roads and pavements near school much safer for our children.

Nursery Applications- We still have a few limited places for our Nursery starting in **September 2016**. Please tell your friends! Ask them to apply if their child was born **between 01/09/2012 and 31/08/2013**.

Autumn Term

Mon 5 September

Wed 7 September

Mon 24 October - Fri 28

Wed 21 December

Spring term 2017

Tues 3 January

Wed 4 January

Mon 13 February to Fri 17

Fri 31 March

Summer term 2017

Tuesday 18 April

Mon 29 May to Friday 2 June

Fri 21 July

Dates for your Diary

Teacher Training Days (2 days)

Term starts for pupils

Half Term

Term ends at 1:30pm

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Our 2016 Year 6 Graduates





Children in **Year 2** made musical instruments in preparation for their wonderful carnival day to celebrate the end of their topic, and the end of their year in Key Stage 1.

Remember to keep reading over the summer!

Football

The **Year 5 Boys A team** celebrate their success at the Brent district end of year tournament. 16 Schools competed on the day, our team won their group and made it to the semi finals! We were joint 3rd overall, a huge success for the boys, for Coach Pablo and for Elsley Primary School - we are all proud of you!

The **Year 5 Boys A team** celebrate their



Year 1 and 2 footballers get into position for the match

The **Year 1 and 2 football club** went for a match to St. Joseph's. Despite tough opposition, our children showed courage and determination throughout the match, making us proud to call them Elsley footballers!

Year 4 ended their final term with an unforgettable Design Technology project at Wembley Stadium Learning Zone.

They worked in groups to design and construct the skeletons of a range of rainforest animals, using recyclable materials such as paper and plastic. They even demonstrated their ability to use complex machinery and equipment. They were treated to an exclusive stadium tour for their persistence and hard work; standing where many of their heroes have performed.



This term, **Year 5** have been learning about children in the Victorian era and how they might have lived.

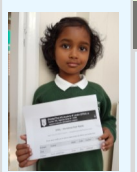
They also learnt about famous Victorian philanthropists and participated in a workshop by Barnardo's charity.

They also learnt about Thomas Coram, on a trip to the Foundling Museum. They got to play in Coram's Fields playground where the original Foundling Hospital once stood.



The **Elsley Eagles cheerleading squad** performed at Future Cheer to an amazingly high standard. They can be proud of their achievement although this year they were not placed in the top 3 teams.

The cheerleaders also performed to over 200 adults at the launch of the Teach First Summer Institute where they wowed and inspired new teachers.



Congratulations to Padmasri from Year 1 who achieved Distinction in her vocal classical music oral test Grade 1.

Every child in Key Stage 2 performed in the very impressive music concert at the end-of-term.

There were class performances as well as some individual and group performances from pupils playing flute, clarinet, guitar, piano, recorder, ukulele, recorder and drums.

Earlier in July the school choir joined other schools to form a mass choir of over 1600 children.



PSA Summer Fayre

The recent summer fayre was a big success with lots of fun had by all. The PSA (Parent Staff Association) reported that they raised £859.12 and that Barclays bank agreed to match it which will double the money.

In the summer term the whole school took part in an **Elsley STEM week (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths)**.

Currently, the UK is falling behind other developed countries in successfully recruiting UK trained STEM professionals. Consequently, Elsley promoted STEM careers throughout the week with each year group studying a different STEM profession. Children went on trips, attended workshops and welcomed professionals who spoke to them in detail about the career they were learning about. It was a pleasure to see the children so engaged in their project based learning.

Mrs Mulji and Mrs Cassiano



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