



ELSLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

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What a fantastic half term we have had! As well as all of the curriculum subjects, this week children learned about the significance of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, culminating in a day of celebrations with a street party lunch. The children are now well-prepared for the country-wide celebrations taking place during half term.

We are proud of the children's achievements inside and outside the classroom, including their contributions to the world, raising money for charities.

After the half term break, as well as excellent learning, we will begin to support children with their transition to their next year group, as well as many fun events before we finish for the summer.



It's going to be busy and exciting!

Raphael Moss, Headteacher



Attendance /Punctuality All year groups start time at **8:55am** with soft start commencing at **8:45am**.

If your child is late, bring them to the office and sign them in.

If your child is unwell and not attending, please email absence@elsley.brent.sch.uk or telephone 0208 902 8003.

Persistent Absence is absence of 10% or higher. This is equivalent to half-a-day missed every week or 4 whole weeks missed in year. Over a 5 year period, your child would miss half a year. Pupils with less than 90% attendance may be referred to the Education Welfare Service.

Holidays during term time are not permitted. In exceptional circumstances, leave may be permitted by submitting a form in advance.

The full attendance policy is on our website.

'Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility'

Parents and carers are reminded to be respectful to staff and the school community. Please be reminded that when collecting and dropping off children this is done in a safe and respectful manner.

Here at Elsley we are committed to keeping our children and school community safe. If you have a concern regarding a child or adult please contact: safeguarding@elsley.brent.sch.uk

For urgent Child Protection matters, outside of school hours, please contact: Brent Family Front Door Tel: 020 8937 4300 or email: brent.lscb@brent.gov.uk
Thank you for contributing to keeping our school community a safe place.



Miss Tyndale (Designated Safeguard Lead)

FARM - SUMMER UPDATE



Meet our latest 2 residents:
Totty and Talia.
These adorable **African pygmy goats** arrived this term and children are enjoying caring for them.



CELEBRATING THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

We celebrated Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee with a series of exciting events.

On Monday 23rd May, we held special assemblies to explain to the children why we were celebrating the Jubilee and what they can expect to see nationally across the Jubilee Bank Holiday.



Children took part in an exciting treasure hunt for Platinum Crowns that were hidden around the playgrounds. Children who found a crown won a Jubilee Bookmark and a fairy cake.



Later in the week, we came together as a school, dressed up as royals or wearing red, white and blue, to sing the national anthem. We also created some beautiful Jubilee themed art which is on display in our main hall and our catering company prepared a wonderful 'street party' lunch.



Dates for your Diary

June

Mon 6th	Start of Summer 2 Term
Thurs 16th	Careers Day
Mon 20th & Tues 21st	Class Photos
Thurs 23rd - Fri 24th	Year 4 Camping overnight stay

July

Fri 1st	Summer Fayre & 50th Celebrations
Week commencing 4th	Reports sent to parents
Wed 6th & Thurs 7th	Year 6 Production to parents
Wed 13th	Year 6 Graduation
Thurs 14th & Fri 15th	Sports Days
Fri 15th - Mon 18th	Year 6 Residential
Thurs 21st	End of Term, finish at 1:30pm

Pupils return after the summer on Friday 2nd September



YEAR 5 WESAK ASSEMBLY

Well done to Year 5 on their Wesak assembly this term. They did a terrific job explaining the Wesak story and performing a traditional song and dance.

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK

Our Year 4 and Year 5 children joined a live virtual workshop led by Eastside Educational Trust. This helped children to create their own mental health toolbox to mark Mental Health Awareness Week. It was a lot of fun and here is an example of a poem shared by 5H during the workshop:

Mental Health Awareness Week

9th - 15th May 2022



5H Elsley primary

I feel like an excited lion who has just seen it's prey.
I feel like a beautiful bird, ready to fly into the bright sky.
I feel like a calm tree swinging side to side.
I feel like an anger bolder breaking a stony wall.
I feel like an energetic Sonic running super fast across the countryside

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A SPECIAL GOODBYE TO

TRACEY NESBIT

This term we said a special goodbye to Tracey Nesbit who has worked at Elsley for 25 incredible years!

As well as being a staff member, Tracey was also a pupil at the school when it opened in 1971! She has had many roles within the school over the years and we thank her for her ongoing commitment to the school. We wish her all the best as she moves out of the area. We held a special assembly to give children the opportunity to say goodbye.



REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE

Lunch arrangements: Please provide advance notice of 1 week when changing your child's lunch arrangements. This change is to be made in writing at the School Office or by email at: parents@elsley.brent.sch.uk. Please do not advise your child to eat at school without prior confirmation.

Holidays during term time: A reminder to parents that holidays are not permitted during term time. Leave request forms are available at the School Office for special circumstances only. Travel tickets should only be booked with prior consent from the Headteacher.

Medical/Dental/Passport/Immigration appointments:

Parents are reminded to make these types of appointments outside the school day or during holidays **whenever possible**. Advance notice of appointments are required by the School Office and evidence of the appointment should be given into the school office or copies of text messages/letters/flight tickets should be sent to: absence@elsley.brent.sch.uk.

If evidence is not received prior to the appointment, the absence will not be authorised by the School.

Punctuality Week:

There will be a punctuality week (w/c 6th June), which will be monitoring your child's punctuality – PLEASE BE ON TIME!

Children should arrive for soft start from 8.45am, the school gates close at 8.55am prompt.



SCIENCE MUSEUM

Our Reception Children enjoyed a wonderful visit to the Science Museum in Central London. The children said they enjoyed exploring the museum and seeing the incredible shuttles and rockets on display.

UKRAINE HUMANITARIAN APPEAL

Dear Raphael,
Thank you so much for your donation to the DEC Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal.

Donation reference number:
01G2SZY8CQC8BE2AGMBESAK70
Donation amount:
£1964.00



UKRAINE DEC APPEAL

Children raised money for the DEC Ukraine appeal through various sponsored activities.

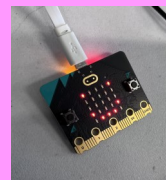
We raised almost £2000!

Well done to all the children for raising so much for this worthy cause. Below are some pictures from some of the sponsored activities:



NEW TECH IN KEY STAGE 2

Our Digital Leaders unpacked and tested our new class set of BBC Microbits. A Microbit is a micro-controller board that features an LED display, sound and motion sensors and a battery pack for portability. They will be used as part of the Year 6 coding Computing curriculum from June.



*** ONLINE SAFETY TOP TIP ***

> Keep your children's gaming devices in a family space so you can monitor what they are playing. If it's kept in their bedroom, you won't know what they're playing or who they might be playing with.

Newsletter via email

If you would like the newsletter to be sent to you, in colour, via email, send a message to parents@elsley.brent.sch.uk with your name and the title 'newsletter.'