



# EAST LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## AUTUMN HALF TERM NEWSLETTER

### KEY DATES

**Half Term Break**  
**Monday, 23 October to**  
**Friday, 27 October**

**Year 3 Trip- Orchestra**  
**Unwrapped**  
**Thursday 2nd November**

**ELPS Open Day for Re-**  
**ception 2024**  
**Thursday 9 November**  
**8:30-9:15**  
**5:00-5:45**

**Remembrance Day**  
**Friday 10 November**

**Children in Need Day**  
**Friday 17 November**

**Staff Training Day**  
**Monday 27 November**

**Year 1 Trip- Unicorn**  
**Theatre**  
**Thursday 7 December**



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a great start to the Autumn Term and the academic year. It is lovely to see our children excited to come to school on a daily basis.

Our Autumn Term began with a fantastic educational experience as our students embarked on a trip to Sky Studios. This adventure provided them with real-world insights into the realm of media, setting the stage for a year full of rich and diverse learning experiences.

We're excited to extend a warm welcome to our new after-school club and sports provider, London Athletics Football Club. Our partnership with LAFC promises exciting opportunities for our students to explore their interests and talents. Please be aware that places are filling up rapidly for their clubs, so we encourage you to review the offerings carefully and secure your child's spot to ensure they can participate in these enriching experiences.

We are always looking to celebrate our students' achievements. We will be using a reading speed test at ELPS to closely monitor reading fluency. I encourage you to support and motivate your children to engage with the recommended reading materials, as it will allow them to earn well-deserved certificates for their dedication and effort.

Another significant focus for us this year is attendance. Regular attendance is paramount for student success. Please ensure that any requests for term-time leave are appropriately authorised to minimise disruption to your child's education. We'll be recognising and celebrating good attendance weekly, with the highest-attending class receiving a trophy as a token of their achievement.

Our commitment to inspiring and engaging curriculum events remains strong. The tremendous success of our "Tiger's Tea Party" in the early years ignited our students' curiosity and enthusiasm for learning. It has also been wonderful to see the excitement from our pupils around the house teams, fostering a strong sense of belonging and unity among our students.

I'm pleased to congratulate all the pupils who have been elected as school councillors. Your voices and ideas are crucial in shaping our school environment and ensuring that students' perspectives are valued and considered.

Lastly, I'd like to invite you to our ELPS open evening for Reception 2024 on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November, where prospective parents and students can explore and learn more about the educational journey we offer at ELPS. Please visit the website for available timings and email the reception to book your place.

As we move forward into this academic year, I'm excited about the potential and opportunities it holds for our students. Your active involvement and support play a vital role in creating a positive and enriching educational experience for all.

Kind regards,

Ms Siddiqui

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Choir Carol Service  
Monday 11 December

Reception Christmas  
Celebration  
Tuesday 12 December

Year 2 Christmas  
Celebration  
Wednesday 13 December

Year 3 Christmas  
Celebration  
Thursday 14 December

Year 4 Christmas  
Celebration  
Friday 15 December

Year 5 Christmas  
Celebration  
Monday 18 December

Year 1 Christmas  
Celebration  
Tuesday 19 December

Year 6 Christmas  
Celebration  
Wednesday 20 December

Staff Training Day  
Friday 22 December

### Spanish Pen Pals



We are happy to inform you that our year 6 pupils will be writing in Spanish to Pen Pals from a primary school in Granada, Spain. Pupils from the mentioned school will send their letters in English, since that is the foreign language that they learn. Year 6 will reuse vocabulary from previous years to introduce and describe themselves, describe members of their family, as well as expressing opinions over sports and food that they like. The pupils are very excited to send and receive their letters, which will be an amazing way for them to use their skills.

### House Teams and Challenges

Each child has now been allocated a place within one of the ELPS house teams. Within the next few weeks, all children will be given a coloured badge to wear every day at school, so their house team is easily recognisable. Over the past few weeks, Year 6 children have had opportunities to demonstrate why they should be recognised as a House Team Captain, Assistant or Ambassador. We are pleased to announce that the following children have been named House Captains.

Team Pegasus	Team Phoenix	Team Aries	Team Orion
Arya Thakrar	Smruti Pandya	Veer Brahmbhatt	Sainijaa Suthakaran

The Captains, Assistants and Ambassadors are exceptional role models for all children at our school. During break and lunchtimes, they have begun visiting other playgrounds and getting to know the members of their team. The younger children in the school are enjoying getting to know their Year 6 teammates. The first House Team competition will take place in Autumn 2. More details about this will be shared with the children closer to the time.

### Black History Month

Our teachers have been working on several Black History Month projects this month and we look forward to sharing the project updates in our next newsletter.



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*“Our lives begin to end  
the day we become  
silent about things  
that matter “*

*Martin Luther King*

### Summer Challenges

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Summer Challenge and the Summer Reading Challenge. The children shared their experiences from the summer during assemblies in Autumn 1 and their teachers and classmates enjoyed hearing the amazing activities they took part in. Due to the success of the Summer Reading Challenge, we will have a similar challenge over the Christmas holidays. Below is a table of the number of children in each year who took part in the challenges.

	Summer Challenge	Summer Reading Challenge
Year 1	43	36
Year 2	46	51
Year 3	26	44
Year 4	33	59
Year 5	18	46
Year 6	16	53

### School Council

We are thrilled to announce that the much-anticipated School Council Elections have successfully concluded and it was heart-warming to see so many enthusiastic candidates eager to represent their fellow students and contribute to the betterment of our school. We extend our appreciation to all the students who participated in the elections and showcased their leadership qualities.

We would like to congratulate the newly elected School Council members who emerged victorious. These dedicated individuals will be the voice of our student body and work collaboratively to make positive changes within our school. We are confident that they will excel in their roles and represent the student body admirably.

The School Council is an essential aspect of our school's democratic structure, and it plays a pivotal role in shaping the school environment, organising events, and advocating for the student community. We are excited to see the innovative ideas, initiatives, and projects that the newly elected council members will bring forward in the coming months.

We will keep you updated on the School Council's activities throughout the year. You can expect termly updates that highlight their achievements, upcoming projects, and opportunities for involvement.

At ELPS, we believe that student participation is vital in fostering a vibrant and engaging learning environment, and we are confident that the newly elected School Council will continue to uphold these principles.

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### Trips

Our Year 2 pupils embarked on a captivating educational journey to the iconic Tower of London! During their visit, the children had the extraordinary opportunity to immerse themselves in the "Fire! Fire!" exhibition. Through engaging activities like rhyme and role play, they delved into the world of the Great Fire of London, gaining a deeper understanding of this historical event. Our young historians also had the chance to compare and contrast life in the 1600s with our lives today. They discovered riveting stories about the people who were witnesses to the Great Fire. It was a fantastic experience that combined learning with fun!



Also, a quick reminder to all our parents that the Year 3 trip to the Royal Festival Hall is just around the corner, scheduled for November 3rd. Additionally, Year 1 is gearing up for an enchanting adventure to the Unicorn Theatre on December 7th. If you haven't already, please ensure you make the necessary payments via Parent Pay to secure your child's place on these exciting trips. Thank you for your continued support!

### Peripatetic Music Lessons—Trumpet, Guitar, Violin, Keyboard and Drums:



The musical lessons at ELPS are in full swing. It's been a joy to see so many of you delve into the wonderful world of music, trying out the broad range of instruments we've made available.

We are currently full but we hope to release more availability soon to more parents!

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### Mathletics Year Group Leader board

Year Group	Activity Points	Skills Quest	Live Points	Total Points	Ranking
Year 3	238070	57590	22269	317929	1 <sup>st</sup>
Year 2	174800	53790	5664	234254	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Year 1	211200	0	3966	2151566	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Year 6	174630	20770	9334	204734	4 <sup>th</sup>
Year 5	178870	9290	12114	200274	5 <sup>th</sup>
Year 4	147190	3570	7050	157810	6 <sup>th</sup>

Congratulations to Year 3 for leading the scoreboard.



### Mathletics Champions

Name	Class	Total Score	Position
Khushali Mehta	3.1	57935	1 <sup>st</sup>
Buffon Cardozo	3.2	23117	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Akshay Angaluri	4.1	22166	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Monika Goraniya	6.1	21810	4 <sup>th</sup>
Arpit Goraniya	3.1	21390	5 <sup>th</sup>
Mahalakshmi Chettiar	2.2	18710	6 <sup>th</sup>
Jiyan Patel	5.2	18035	7 <sup>th</sup>
Manuth Baheerathan	6.1	16268	8 <sup>th</sup>
Kaviya Kirubakaran	5.2	15914	9 <sup>th</sup>
Birva Patel	3.2	15053	10 <sup>th</sup>

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### Extracurricular Activities Autumn

The following after school clubs and lunchtime clubs will be taking place this Autumn term from 2:40pm until 3:40pm. And the extended after school club will run until 5pm.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
ASSEMBLY HALL	Judo- Y3-Y4	Contemporary Dance- R-Y6	Judo- Y5-Y6	Ballet- R-Y6	Tennis- R-Y6
MUGA	Football- R- Y3	Football- Y4-Y6	Football- R- Y3	Football- Y4-Y6	
DINING HALL	Extended ASC	Extended ASC	Extended ASC	Extended ASC	Extended ASC
PLAYGROUND					Cricket- R-Y6
CLASSROOM	Chess Mandarin- Year 3	Recorder -Year 5 Mandarin- Year 4	Chess Mandarin- Year 5 LAMDA Choir- Year 4-6	Magical Maths Mandarin- Year 6 LAMDA	
LUNCHTIME CLUB	Mandarin- Year 3	Mandarin- Year 4	Mandarin- Year 5	Mandarin- Year 6	

We're thrilled to announce an exciting collaboration between ELPS and London Athletic Football Club. Together, we're creating ELPS' very first football team! This partnership offers our students fantastic opportunities to develop their skills, build unity, and in the future, compete in various football competitions. The team is open to all and ELPS will have their very own boys' and girls' team.

**For more information to book your place on the after school football club and many other sports clubs, please visit the booking website below:**

<https://www.londonathleticfc.com/east-lane-primary-school>

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## School Council Members 2023-2024

Year 1	Jayson Shah Inaya Ismail Dorian Tomlin	Xhibela Kadiu Melina Shah Ayaan Nair
Year 2	Elisa Belady Niam Patel Vihaan Shah	Pearl Williams Aizah Iqbal Avi Thakrar
Year 3	Raiyah-Iman Ahipeaud Jaiven Assani Riya Mervana Muhammad Rohan Khan	Jaineel Patel Insha Durrani Abyan Butt Aayan Mufeez
Year 4	Oscar Pascual Hernandez Sanna Thakrar Khalifa Rahman	Jannat Ahmed Leo Clarke Roxana Bocrici
Year 5	Giulia Lima Maurya Parekh Ariana Reed	Darsh Desai Tharini Rahunath Khalid Naseem
Year 6	Dhanvi Parekh Michael Pillach Jedhavi Jeyabalachandran	Mathew Stergu Miles Subra Bieusses Patricia Paul