NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2023

RETURN TO SCHOOL TUESDAY 31ST OCTOBER

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

As we come to the end of this very busy half term, I have to say that I feel incredibly proud of the way that the pupils have settled into their new year groups, especially all of our new children in the Nursery and Reception classes. So much has taken place in terms of learning but there have also been an overwhelming amount of school visits to the National Portrait Gallery, as well as welcoming visitors to the school, such as Reverend Claire from St Marks Church to celebrate Harvest and ABC parents who taught some of our year groups CPR. The last day of this half term ended with an extravaganza Black History Month Showcase which was an amazing success, and I would like to thank Ms Paula for organising such an important learning opportunity for our school. All of the staff who supported this project have been exceptional and have showcased true commitment, passion and energy; including the dancing choreography which was led by Belen. All of the staff and children immersed themselves into this month's activities and it has been an absolute pleasure walking around the school and seeing the enthusiasm and the work produced by all. It is so important that we use this month to celebrate black history specifically and all the important contributions of black men and women both now and in the past. It goes alongside our curriculum offer that ensures our diverse community is represented in all that we learn across the whole academic year.

A vast amount has occurred this half term that would not have been possible without the dedication of the staff here and our parent community. It fills me with warmth knowing that we have such a supportive network of individuals who work relentlessly to support the school and the pupils. Our sports teams represented the school so passionately in many fixtures across the borough and should feel proud of their efforts and their sportsmanship.

I am confident that the next half term will be just as fun-packed as we begin the countdown to the festive season! Wishing you all a very restful and enjoyable half-term and thank you for your continued support.

See you back in school on Tuesday 31st October.

Anna Theodosiou

Autumn Term Half Term 23rd—27th October Inset Day (school closed) Monday 30th October **Return to School Tuesday 31st October** Last day of Term **Tuesday 19th December** 1.30 finish (last day for Nursery Monday 18th December) Inset Day (school closed) Wednesday 20th December 2024 **Spring Term** Inset Day (school closed) Monday 8th January **Return to School Tuesday 9th January Half Term** 12th-16th February Last day of Term Thursday 28th March 1.30 finish (last day for Nursery Wednesday 27th March) Summer Term

Return to school

Monday 15th April





Diary Dates

Monday 30th October	INSET DAY—School closed				
Tuesday 31st October	RETURN TO SCHOOL				
Wednesday 1st November	Jade Class trip to the National Portrait Gallery Marigold Class trip to the Young Victoria & Albert Museum				
Tuesday 7th November	Year 5 trip to the National Portrait Gallery Platinum Class trip to the National Portrait Gallery Year 1 visit to St. Marks Church				
Wednesday 8th November	Reception to Year 6—Flu programme				
Thursday 9th November	Open Evening for prospective parents —4.30pm and 6.00pm				
Friday 10th November	School photographer in—class photos				
w/b 13th November	ANTI-BULLYING WEEK				
Tuesday 14th November	Year 1 class trip to St. Mark's Church				
Monday 27th November	KS1 Gymnastics Festival at Southbury Leisure Centre				
Tuesday 28th November	KS2 Gymnastics Festival at Southbury Leisure Centre				
Friday 1st December	M&M Productions—Cinderella				
Tuesday 5th December -	Visit to EYFS from Rev Claire and Father Amatu				
Wednesday 6th December	5.30-6.30pm Science in Schools show for families 9.30 EYFS Nativity				
Thursday 7th December	2.15 EYFS Nativity				
	Young Shakespeare Company—Yrs 5&6				
Friday 8th December	Chickenshed performance for Nursery, Rec & Yr1				
Tuesday 12th December	KS1 Church Service				
	2.15 Yr1 Nativity				
Wednesday 13th December	KS2 Church Service				
	2.15 Yr2 Nativity				
Thursday 14th December	Christmas Jumper Day				
	Christmas Lunch				
Monday 18th December	Last day for Nursery				
Tuesday 19th December	Last day for Reception to Year 6—school finishes 1.30pm				







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Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Tuesdays	Tuesdays	Tuesdays	Mondays	Wednesdays	Wednesdays	Mondays
Thursdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Thursdays	Thursdays	Thursdays	Wednesdays



We are looking forward to welcoming visitors to our open evening for our September 2024 admissions on **Thursday 9th November 2023.** We will be staggering entry times to our open evening. Visitors are asked to select one of two entry times. There are separate forms for each of the entry times of **4.30pm** and **6.00pm**. The open evening sessions will last approximately 90 minutes and will include a talk from the headteacher and a tour of the school where visitors will have the opportunity to talk to staff.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Please ensure that any After School Club Bookings are pre-booked on Arbor no later than 2.15pm each day. After this time the booking page will be closed. Any children attending After School Club without prebooking by 2.15pm will incur an administration fee of £3.00. Thank you for your cooperation.

PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCIES

The deadline for applying to be a Parent Governor has been extended to Friday 3rd November. If you would like to know more about becoming a Parent Governor please email k.wood@bushhillpark.enfield.sch.uk





SCIENCE IN SCHOOLS DAY—WEDNESDAY 6TH DECEMBER

The Royal Institution will be visiting our school on WEDNESDAY 6TH DECEMBER blasting off with lots of jam-packed shows full of experiments, explosions and hands-on participation by the children. They will also be delivering an exciting twilight show on this day at 5.30-6.30pm for all our families. Everyone welcome!



We will be starting a Drama Club next half term. **The club will be for pupils in Years 5 and 6** and will take place every Thursday after school in the Ashton Hall from 3.30pm – 5.00pm. The club will commence from Thursday 16th November 2023.

Bush Hill Park Primary School has some very talented students and this year we would like to welcome a new group of students in Years five and six to develop their talents and showcase their skills in performing.

We are aiming to put on a performance towards the end of the Spring Term. We only have a limit of **50 places** within the club. If your child is interested in joining Drama Club, you will need to email your response to the school office; <u>office@bushhillpark.enfield.sch.uk</u> stating your child's name and class, an emergency contact number and whether your child will be collected promptly at 5.00pm or that you give permission for your child to walk home alone.

Drama Club is a quite a large commitment for your child to undertake. Rehearsals are every Thursday afternoon in the Ashton Hall from **3:30 – 5:00pm**. However, there will also be lunchtime rehearsals, a Saturday rehearsal and depending on time constraints, an odd Tuesday rehearsal. The cost to attend this club will be £12.50 (£2.50 per session). This will help to cover the costs of resources needed such as costumes for productions.

Students are expected to attend every rehearsal and failure to do so can result in the loss of a place in Drama Club.

Please return your responses of interest to the school office email no later than Monday 6th November 2023. Pupils will be selected on a first come first served basis. If your child is selected for Drama club you will receive correspondence on Thursday 9th November confirming your child's place and payment details.











We were very lucky to have Reverend Claire from St Mark's and St Stephen's come into school to talk about the Harvest Festival. The children were thrilled as Rev Claire spoke about all the different people, jobs and ingredients involved in making one tin of soup! We sang 'Cauliflowers Fluffy' to end our harvest assembly in style. We look forward to seeing more of Rev Claire as we start preparing for our Christmas celebrations.



Showing real determination and resilience, pupils took part in the cross country at Forty Hall, competing against 100 other pupils. Well done, you all did us proud, and a special shout out to Rocco who finished 7th overall!





What a fantastic start to the season. Our boys smashed it, winning 7-0 in their first match of the league. An excellent result, well done!!





Pearsons is a well-loved shop in Enfield Town and we are honoured to have been asked to create a very exciting display of cards, wishing them a very Happy 120th Birthday!

Our pupils decorated cards and wrote messages inside. A selection of these cards will then be displayed in a special gallery inside the store over the half term week. Please go and visit and take a look!



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Birthday

Dr Bike repair service

Bring your bike to our Dr Bike repair service for a check-up. The experienced mechanics check everything on your bike from wheels, brakes, gears and tyre pressure to lights, racks, pedals, saddles and more.



Dr Bike repair sessions are run across Enfield

Any minor adjustments that can make to your bike will be done there and then. If there's anything our mechanics can't fix on-site, they will offer suggestions for you to get your bike in safe, working order. All our mechanics are friendly and approachable and have a wealth of cycling knowledge so feel free to pick their brains about cycle training, safety on the roads or other cycling activities.

Dr Bike repair sessions are run across the borough at the following locations and times:

- Enfield Town Library on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of every month from 10am 4pm
- Edmonton Green Train Station Cycle Hub on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of every month from 10am – 4pm
- Palmers Green Library on the 1st Thursday of every month from 4pm 7pm
- Albany Leisure Centre on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of every month from 10am 3pm

Three-word supermarket code will get you free food for your kids this half term

Parents who are struggling are encouraged to simply 'Ask for Ellen' in Morrisons Cafés - and it will entitle you to a delicious treat during the October half-term



With the October half-term fast approaching, many parents will be panicked about the <u>cost of</u> taking care of their kids, and how they're going to keep their little ones entertained.

But thankfully, Warbutons and <u>Morrisons</u> are once again teaming up to bring back their 'Ask for Ellen' scheme across all Morrisons Cafés, which will see people receive two toasted <u>crumpets</u> with butter and jam completely free of charge - no questions asked

The initiative, which aims to give a little support to families throughout the holiday period, is back following its success during the <u>school</u> summer holidays. 200,000 portions of 'Ask for Ellen' crumpets were enjoyed by families across the UK.

The offer will be available all day, in any of Morrisons' 395 Cafés from October 23 to November 5, while stocks last. The initiative is named after Warburton's founder, Ellen Warburton. The 5th generation family business has been passionate about supporting charities since it was established in 1876 and continues to do so today, through the Warburtons Foundation.





Immunisations For Children Attending School, College or Universities

Vaccines help to protect your child from many serious and potentially deadly diseases. It helps to protect other people in your family and community by helping to stop diseases spreading to people who cannot have the vaccination. They prevent millions of deaths worldwide every year.

Always get your vaccine and health information from trusted sources, such as the NHS or World Health Organisation (WHO).

The School Aged Immunisation Service administer vaccinations in schools and hold catch-up clinics for children who have missed any immunisations.

For Pre-School Boosters Please contact GP.
Flu Year group changes each year depending on NHS requirements.
HPV and MMR Year 8 (these are normally done at school).
MEN ACWY, Diphtheria, Polio, Tetanus Year 9 (these are normally done at school).

Important

If your child has started college or university, make sure they have already had:

- Men ACWY vaccine Protects against serious infection like meningitis (the GP can give this vaccination)
- **2 doses of MMR vaccine** There are outbreaks of mumps and measles at universities (your GP can provide this vaccination)
- **HPV vaccine** Helps protect against genital warts and cancers caused by the human papilloma virus (HPV) such as cervical cancer.

Before the Enfield Immunisation Team visit your child's school for the different vaccination(s), you will receive a consent form via email to complete.

If your child is of school age, and you would like further information on the vaccinations and/or you need your child to attend the catch-up clinic, please contact **The School Aged Immunisation Service** on 020 8702 3499 or email <u>beh-tr.enfieldimmunisationteam@nhs.net</u>.

Until April 2024, there is an NHS Polio Campaign running. This is aiming to catch children up with all of their missed vaccines. If your child is in school and is missing MMR or Pre-School Booster doses, please contact our Polio phone line on 020 8702 6187.

For more information, please visit our website www.saisenfield.co.uk.

Does your child find it difficult to attend school for emotional reasons?

Join the Educational Psychology Service at a online two-part workshop for parents and carers. We will:

- Learn more about anxiety
- Explore what feels helpful for your child and family
- Discuss working together with schools to help young people attend
- Share your thoughts and ideas with each other
- Identify what help and support are available
- Connect with other parents and carers with similar concerns
- Consider how we can look after ourselves when things are hard

<u>SESSION 1</u> Wednesday 8 November 1.30pm-2.30pm

SESSION 2 Tuesday 21 November 1.30pm-2.30pm

For more information, please email eps@enfield.gov.uk

www.enfield.gov.uk

Sign up here



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The African Concert Series returns to Forty Hall



Family Concert - By African Concert Series

Sunday 22nd October, 2pm - 3pm

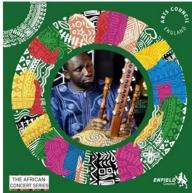
The African Concert Series presents a Family Concert that brings the joyful sound of South African choral ensemble - Imbube Singers, who will be performing some of the most popular South African songs, Shosholoza, Thula Thula and more!

Cellist Jude Olabanji and colleagues, Violinist Aanu Sodipe and Clarinetist Ola Akindipe will perform arrangements of West African songs for instrumental ensemble.

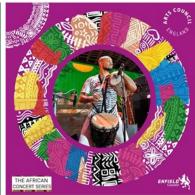
> FREE Drop in Sessions -Interactive Concerts Sunday 22nd October, 3pm - 4pm

Our interactive sessions are open to everyone, no experience needed! Children must be accompanied by an adult. No booking, just turn up!

Funded by the Arts Council of England.



Interactive Concert with Sefo Kanuteh in The Great Hall



Interactive Concert with Richard Olatunde Baker in The Parlour



Enfield Town Park Fireworks Saturday 4th November 2023 • 5-9pm © ENFIELD TOWN PARK, CECIL ROAD, EN2 6TJ Family Entertainment + Food Stalls + Brass Band & MUCH MORE!

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BOOK TICKETS: WWW.DUGDALEARTSCENTRE.CO.UK



MILFIELD THEATRE



PLATINUM SPOOKTACULAR TEDDY EXPERIENCE

Come along to our SPOOKY October HAF Camp at Millfield! FREE and open to ages 7 and up and children that receive subsidies school meals! There will be TEAM GAMES, FACE PAINT, SPOOKY DANCE FLOOR, MAKE YOUR OWN TEDDY AND MORE!

All attending children are entitled to a spooky free party meal!

October 23rd, 24th and 25th 10:30am and 1pm time slots

Register early to avoid disappointment as limited spaces are available



Halloween at Capel Manor Gardens

Monday 23rd October - Sunday 29th October

10.00am-4.00pm

Dress up and be prepared for a half-term week full of spooks and scares in the Gardens this October.

Have fun exploring the Gardens and make sure to say hello to the animals in the mini zoo.



HALLOWEEN SPOOKY TRAIL THURSDAY 26TH - SUNDAY 29TH OCTOBER 2023 OPEN BETWEEN 11AM & 3PM at FORTY HALL, FORTY HILL, EN2 9HA

Put your detective skills to the test as you follow clues scattered throughout the main house and grounds. Don't forget to come dressed in your best Halloween costume! Oh and don't worry... you'll receive a delicious treat at the end, no trick!

This event is recommended for ages 4 to 11 and all children must be accompanied by an adult. You can come at any time between 11am and 3pm. The trail will take approximately 30 to 45 minutes to complete.





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Community Hubs

Helping our residents to gain or maintain a life free from poverty, homelessness, poor health and under/unemployment.

Community Hubs provide face-to-face support for residents with a range of needs and vulnerabilities, through casework and by placing them at the centre of our work.

Our Community Ambassadors provide joined-up solutions across our four service areas, helping with:



Edmonton Library Community Hub, Ground floor, 36-44 South Mall, Edmonton N9 OTN – open 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday. Food Pantry opening times are Tuesdays and Wednesdays, appointment only.

Enfield Library Community Hub, 66 Church Street, Enfield EN2 6AX – open 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.



You may have seen in the media...

ALL SCHOOLS ARE FACE REPORT FUTS

The school receives extra money for Free School Meal pupils so that we can buy extra resources.

There is one way which you can help us:

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are enitiled to a healthy cooked school lunch at NO COST TO YOU!

Register your child for Free School Meals

You may be eligible to claim free school meals for your child if you claim the following benefits:

- Income Support
- Income based Job Seeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (but not entitled to Working Tax Credit and whoso annual income does not exceed £16.190)
- Support under part VI of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999
- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400)
- Guarantee element of State Pension





BUSH HILL PARK FOOD BAN

REMEMBER...if you require any support AT ANY TIME or if you know of someone who does, please do not hesitate to contact Sophie Smart on s.smart@bushhillpark.enfield.sch.uk

Term Dates 2023 - 2024

AUTUMN TERM 2023
INSET DAY Friday 1 st September
School starts Monday 4 th September
HALF TERM 23 rd – 27 th October
INSET DAY Monday 30 th October
Term ends Tuesday 19 th December
INSET DAY Wednesday 20 th December

SPRING TERM 2024
INSET DAY Monday 8 th January
School starts Tuesday 9 th January
Half Term 12 th – 16 th February
Term ends Thursday 28 th March

SUMMER TERM 2024
School starts Monday 15 th April
May Bank Holiday Monday 6 th May
INSET DAY Friday 24 th May
Half Term 27 th - 31 st May
Whole School Sports Day Friday 21st June
Term ends Wednesday 24 th July