



The Phoenix Flyer

WEMBLEY
PRIMARY
SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER

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Like the phoenix we rise to our challenges, strengthen our learning and shine in our community

Dear Parents/Carers

We are now well into the start of the summer term. This term we will continue to focus on any gaps in our children's learning and continue to ensure that children make good progress towards national end points. Alongside this we also continuously have a focus on the children's well-being.

The ever-changing situation with regard to the pandemic makes it difficult to absolutely plan events in complete detail. We hope this year we will be able to have a version of a sports day-maybe a class at a time. We also hope to do some transition work towards the end of term especially for our reception children moving into year 1. We will keep you updated. The safety of our school community is clearly important so we will let you know early next half term.

You may have seen in the press some reporting around summer schools. These will be aimed at the children who are currently in year 6 and will be organised by some secondary schools. The government anticipates that a two week summer school will give students an opportunity to make up some lost academic ground before they start a new school. Summer schools should also offer an opportunity for schools to support students' wellbeing, and schools should include activities such as team games, music, drama or sports activities, in their plans.

We are now pleased that our wraparound care is again on offer. If you would like any information regarding breakfast club or after school childcare please speak to someone in our school office or take a look on our school website.

The government will again be funding food vouchers for families who are entitled to Free school Meals over the May half term. These will be emailed to families. If you are currently not in receipt of Free School Meals and feel that you may be entitled to them please speak to our school office who can discuss the application process. Please be aware the universal free school meals is different, this is an entitlement for all children in reception to year 2 and so not all families will be eligible for the vouchers.

Eid Greetings to all our Muslim families

Mrs Taylor-Kent

Headteacher

Key Dates Summer Term 2021

Please see next academic year's school dates on our website

Class Photos on the 21st May

Wembley News

YEMEN APPEAL

Thank you all so much for your kind donations.

We managed to raise £560, which could vaccinate over 3700 children against polio.

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Nursery have been looking at signs of Spring around the school. The big, beautiful, pink Blossom tree on our grounds inspired them to create some lovely textured paintings.

Reception have been very busy learning about Superheroes. The children enjoyed dressing up as superheroes. They all looked super!



The children also enjoyed listening to the teachers read Super Daisy by Nick Sharrett and they watched a video of Nick drawing Daisy and had a go themselves too. Look at these wonderful drawings!



Years 3 & 4

In Year 3, children have been learning about World War Two. They have started to explore the events leading up to WWII and the countries involved. They are learning about the leaders of those countries at that time and are gaining an understanding of what the Blitz was. Children are also learning about evacuation and how people stayed safe, and have designed information posters on different types of shelters.

Year 4 are really enjoying their work on the Ancient Egyptians. This topic links together their art, literacy and history work and allows them to relate work in one subject with things they have learnt in the other two. They have also made connections with the work they are doing in RE. They are beginning to use some subject specific vocabulary e.g. pharaohs and hieroglyphics and using this terminology in class discussions.

Welcome Back to Wellbeing!

Many thanks to those of you who completed our parent-teacher survey to let us know how your child/children felt on their return to school. We are happy to report that a vast majority of our pupils were excited and happy to come back after lockdown. If you have any concerns about your child's mental health or wellbeing please do approach your child's class teacher or Assistant Headteacher.

Next week is Mental Health Awareness Week (10th -16th May 2021). The theme is 'Nature.' Being outside in nature is great for your family's mental health and wellbeing. Click on the link to find simple suggestions to have fun and improve your wellbeing outdoors: [50 things to do before you're 11¾ activity list | National Trust](#)

Parent Wellbeing Champions! We are looking for some parents to become Champions of Wellbeing at Wembley Primary School. This will involve coming to meetings once a half term and spreading the word about Positive Wellbeing amongst other families at the school. If you are interested in getting involved please email our Wellbeing and Mental Health Lead Ms Griffiths on senco@wembleyprimary.brent.sch.uk by the end of this half term Friday 28th May 2021.

Years 1 & 2

Year 1 have been learning about the Royal family in History. The children had a go at putting pictures of the royals onto a family tree and learning the names of some of the members of the royal family. They watched the video of the Queen's coronation ceremony and then role played being coronated too! They had so much fun!

In Year 2, children have been growing spider plants from cuttings from an older plant. Not only have they been observing and documenting the changes but they also made their own bug hotel. This was some of the exciting learning science activities the children enjoyed during Science week.

Years 5 & 6

Year 5 are busy learning about Greek myths in English lessons. They are reading 'The Adventures of Odysseus' and are using the events to create a myth of their own. Pupils have thoroughly enjoyed this topic. *Edyta from 5P said, "I love the story of Odysseus because he has a lot of heroic adventures."* *Noah from 5P, "Odysseus is really courageous because he confronted the ruthless cyclops."*

Year 6 are continuing to work hard to achieve their best results in preparation for secondary school. A letter was sent explaining our SATs tests, starting the 17th May. These will be used to support teacher assessments at the end of the year, which will be sent to secondary schools. If you have any questions, please speak to the class teacher or Mrs Atkinson. We are planning end of school events and celebrations. Once these have been finalised, you will be informed in a separate letter.