

Newsletter – Spring Half Term 2

Head's update

It has been a brilliant and busy half term at Edith Borthwick, and I wanted to share some of the great things that have been happening in our school community.

We started the term with World Book Day, which was a fantastic celebration of reading! Our learners (and staff!) really got into it – there were costumes, book-themed activities and loads of enthusiasm from everyone. It was brilliant to see how much our learners loved the day!

Our learners have had some brilliant celebrations too. **The colour disco was a huge hit** – music, dancing and lots of bright decorations **in a really safe, inclusive space where everyone could have fun and feel part of things**. We also had a visit from the **Easter bunny**, which the learners absolutely loved. **A massive thank you to all the parents/carers who donated things for our raffle.**

We held our parents' conferences recently and we were really pleased with how many of you attended. This year we used the hall, which meant we could fit everyone in more comfortably and have better conversations about how your children are getting on. **We would love to hear what you thought of the new setup** – your feedback helps us feel informed and to get better. **Please fill in the [Parents' Evening Feedback form](#) or scan the QR code attached to the message.**

As we head into the next term, **there are a few things worth mentioning**. **We are running some parents' workshops for everyone**, which will cover how we teach, what we're focusing on in the curriculum and how our family support workers can support you. **When school and home are working together, our learners do better, so we would really like to see you there if possible**. **We will send dates out at the start of next term.**

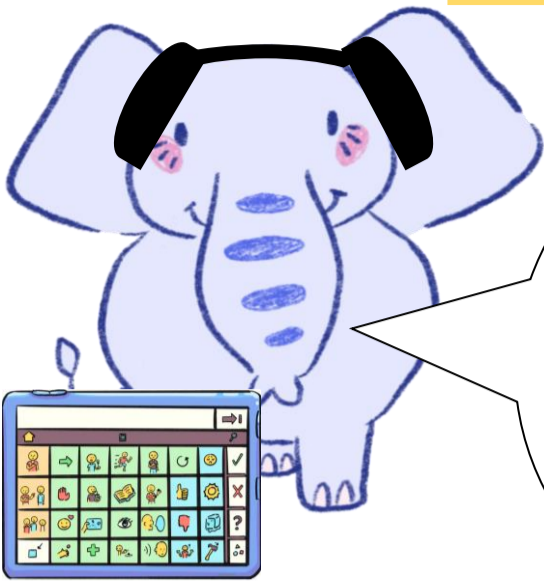
We have had a request from someone in the local community about reminding everyone about being careful when driving in and out of school. We really appreciate your help with this – keeping everyone safe (whether it's our learners, staff, parents/carers or neighbours) is what matters most. **Just a reminder to go slowly, stick to the speed limit and watch out for people around the gates.**

Finally, **we're looking for more Parent Governors** - if you've ever thought about getting more involved in how the school is run, this could be for you! Governors help shape the school's direction and make sure we're doing the best for our learners. We think parents/carers have so much to offer, and we would love to hear from you if you're interested. More details will come out after Easter, but feel free to get in touch with the office if you have any questions now.

Kind regards,

Sam

Edie's area



We had a lovely comment from the people at the Eco event that Heathrow attended to say that our learners asked 'better more informed questions than any other group'!

Word for the next half term



change



[Play now](#)

Heathrow have been to the garden centre, looking for flowers to put in our planters. We have also been selling Easter chocolate bags and took 150 orders, making £150 profit!



Some learners from Heathrow and Gatwick went to Braintree Town Hall to an event day - we made a solar panelled house!



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SLG as Peppa Pig and her family!



Tracey and Jackie in the office as Mary Poppins and the Hungry Caterpillar!

Leopard had great fun on the chocolate Wonka bar hunt around school - we found (and matched) eight bars and were rewarded with our very own chocolate bar once we had finished!





Some of the fantastic entries for the classroom door/doorway competition



Tracey/Mary Poppins judging the doors/doorways
See next page for the winners...



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And the winners of the classroom door are....
Meerkat with their Winnie the Pooh theme
(Primary)
and
Gatwick with their fantastic Wonka Bar theme
(Secondary)



Meerkat having their visit from the
Easter bunny!



Southend enjoyed making 'Gruffalo crumble', and listening to 'The Gruffalo'. They also had fun following clues around the school to work out who stole Willy Wonka's chocolate!



Several classes enjoyed assemblies delivered by 'Manu the Orangutan' author, Michelle Noble-Jones!



At The Edith Borthwick School, we respect, encourage, achieve, care, and have fun!

Parents Evening

