

# The Edith Borthwick School

## Weekly Update

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023

### Head's Update

It has been another short week due to the bank holiday on Monday for the coronation - it will be nice for our learners to be back to normal next week with a 5 day week!

This week, we have been learning about Europe in some classes, as it was Europe Day on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023. U6 have been looking at iconic buildings all over Europe and seeing how these relate to history. They have also been learning about Britain and this week, found out about the Titanic. M5 did an assembly on European flags and discussed the places that they would like to, and wouldn't like to, visit.

On Monday (15<sup>th</sup> May 2023), we have the Scholastic book sale, open from 10.00am – 12.00pm and 1.30pm – 3.00pm. Parents/Carers are welcome to come in and choose a book with their learner, or you can send in money if you would like us to support your child to buy something. The books are 3 for 2 if you want more than one!

Last week, one of our parents, Natalie Carlisle, won a beautiful tree for the school in a competition run by Braintree Garden Centre. Our Estates team have planted it in our reflection garden. Thank you Natalie for entering the competition on our behalf, and thank you Braintree Garden Centre for our tree!



Next week, our sponsored walk takes place on Thursday and we are all really looking forward to it - hopefully we will get nice weather!

Have a nice weekend.

Best wishes,

Maggie

### ★ Class of the Week – U5 ★

#### Class Teacher Ann says...

U5 have been learning about vegetables and have been working hard in our allotment area!



The whole class have helped to dig up weeds and get the planters ready for planting. We are hoping to plant some pumpkin seeds this week, so the pumpkins are ready to carve at Halloween! 🎃

We have also enjoyed some trips out to Fitch Way and looking for The Gruffalo at Thorndon Park!

Great work U5!



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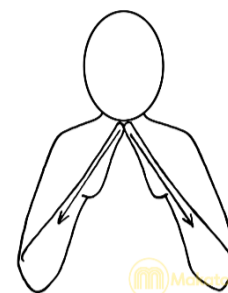
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### Word of the Week



### Sign of the week

House



### We need you!

We are looking for parents, carers or family members who would like to help support us during off site activities such as swimming, horse-riding, forest school, Danbury and Harlow outdoors – a DBS check will be provided.

If you are interested, please email: [admin@edithborthwick.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@edithborthwick.essex.sch.uk)

### Upcoming dates

15/05/2023 – Scholastic Book Fair

18/05/2023 – Sponsored walk

29/05/2023 – 02/06/2023 – May half term

06/06/2023 & 14/06/2023 – School photographs

03/07/2023 – Non-Pupil Day

### Governors

We have decided to pilot a different approach to our governor meetings. Starting on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March, we will absorb committee business (Curriculum and Resources) into our full Governing Board meetings. We are a small team of governors and this will be a more efficient approach.

We all have specific responsibilities for monitoring different aspects of the school on a termly basis. Examples include Health and Safety, Safeguarding and Quality of Education/ Curriculum. This month 'curriculum governors' have been meeting with their school contacts to monitor progress against the school's annual plan.

### Thank you!

Natalie Carlisle and Braintree Garden Centre for our lovely tree!

### ★ Pet of the Week ★

**Name:** Nuka

**Type:** Dog - Labrador retriever

**Age:** Nearly 2 years old

**Owner:** Oliwier

**Likes:** Everyone she meets, playing with children, going on walks and chasing her ball. She loves chewing her toys and balls, and swimming in lakes.

**Dislikes:** Going to the vets and bigger dogs that are aggressive.

**Fun fact:** Nuka is very smart and knows lots of tricks! Her favourite food is cucumber. She is a half yellow and half red Labrador.

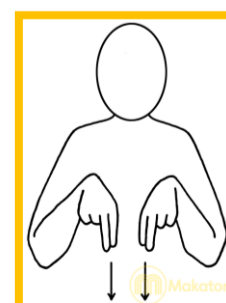
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Pet



Dog



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Cleopatra

