

The Edith Borthwick School

Weekly Update

Friday 5th May 2023

Head's Update

The shorter week seems to have dashed by in a flurry of activity! Our learners coped well with coming back on Tuesday instead of Monday – it was the staff who found it difficult!

The coronation has been the theme for the week with lots of craft activities going on. I've seen flags, pictures of King Charles, lots of bunting and red, white and blue items. Some classes have chosen to decorate their doors and classrooms, which look very nice.

Yesterday was the peak of our coronation festivities, with our coronation picnic and fun day. Classes went off timetable and there were lots of fun activities going on including sensory discos and at least one class had afternoon tea! The best bit of the day was the picnic on the field, followed by an impromptu disco on the playground. Our learners looked amazing in their red, white and blue clothes, and some classes had made crowns with the learners, which looked great. The sun shone on us and we had a lovely afternoon.

Another lovely event happened when a number of our learners, who had won Jack Petchey awards, received their awards in a ceremony at Tabor High School. Our winners were Tommy, Kai, Freddie, Liam, Teddy and James. Well done to them all - they each won £250 for their class!

Finally, some lovely news. Charlie, our teacher from L3, had her baby this week – George James. We wish Charlie, Adam and their family a lovely few weeks of getting to know their little one!

Enjoy your extended weekend and **we look forward to seeing our learners back on Tuesday 9th May 2023.**

Best wishes,

Maggie

★ Class of the Week – M5 ★

Class Teacher Jack says...

M5 have really been enjoying their 'authors' topic and have been focusing this week on JK Rowling.



The whole class have thoroughly enjoyed making a witch's potion, that fizzed after adding crushed bone (baking soda!). We also got to make our own magic wands out of a stick and a variety of different materials!

We have been very excited to celebrate the Coronation this week and have been making bunting and crowns in preparation for Thursday's picnic.

Well done M5 for another great week!



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Word of the Week



Sign of the week

Shower



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

Upcoming dates

08/05/2023 – King's Coronation (Bank holiday)

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 29th 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.

Don't forget, if you are interested in applying for the parent governor vacancy, the closing date for application forms is **Tuesday 9th May 2023!**

★ Pet of the Week ★

Name: Queen Amidala and Princess Leia

Type: Snakes - Royal Pythons

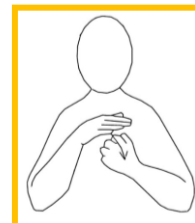
Age: 15 years old

Owner: Sam, HLTA

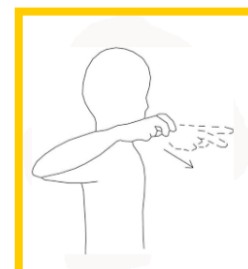
Likes: Amidala likes to be inquisitive
Leia likes to curl up in a ball and sleep when out of her vivarium

Fun fact: They live in a large vivarium under the television

Like



Pet



Snake



The next Weekly Update's **Pet of the Week** is:
Nuka

