

**At Enfield Heights Academy, we are KIND, RESPECTFUL, RESILIENT and BRAVE.**  
**We are the Force for Positive Change.**

6<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our fortnightly News Round-up. Today we celebrate World Smile Day 2023. The theme is “**do an act of kindness, help one person smile.**” Have a lovely day everyone and smile!



**Macmillan Cake sale raised over £160 for charity.**

Thank you to all member of our community for the contributions of cupcakes and cakes as well as money donations .

What a great way to demonstrate our school driver of ‘Force for Positive Change’.



**October is Black History Month**

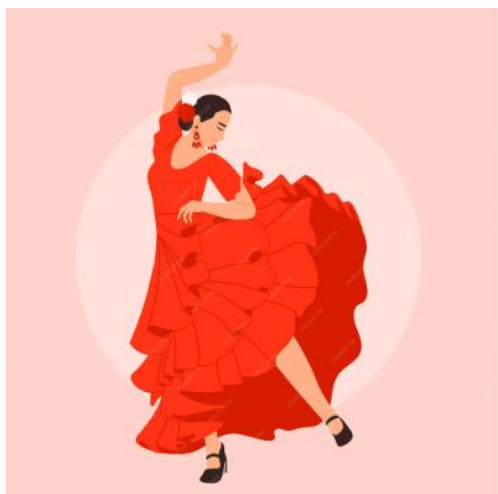
We are celebrating Black History Month again this year. The theme is: ‘*Saluting Our Sisters*’ acknowledging the outstanding achievements and neglected contributions of Black women. At EHA, we opened Black History Month with a fantastic AFRICA workshop last Tuesday. We had a day full of stories about the different instruments from across the African Continent, bringing lots of rhythm, dance, songs and culture into the school. We all enjoyed this interactive treat. Throughout this month, the staff will be reading stories, poems and biographies written by or about many significant Black women to develop children’s understanding of Black history.

**Bigfoot Arts Education Workshops** On Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October, Year 1-Year 5 will be participating in interactive workshops on black history led by Bigfoot Arts Education. *Hidden Figures* workshops will give the children opportunities to learn about the fascinating stories of brilliant black British people, often omitted from our history lessons: personalities who have shaped our country. We kindly ask Years 1-5 for a **contribution of £2** towards funding the workshops. Payments can be made on Arbor. Thank you in advance.

**HISPANIC DAY - dress up on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October**

Mrs Dooley, our Spanish specialist teacher, and Mr Merritt Hall our Music specialist, have been planning a day of celebrations to mark Hispanic Day (Día de la Hispanidad) or National Day (Fiesta Nacional de España), which is an annual national public holiday in Spain on October 12. It commemorates when Christopher Columbus first set foot in the Americas in 1492. The children will have a Flamenco assembly followed by Flamenco workshops for some year groups. There will be a range of storytelling and craft activities, as well as cooking and exploring Hispanic

culture. Ms Le and her team will prepare a Spanish lunch and our lovely PTA will make and sell yummy churros after school (not to be missed). **This will be a non-uniform day.** Each year group has been given a country to represent. Please see a table below with the colours your child/ren should wear on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October. Please see the letter to families [here](#).



	Theme country & colours
Reception	España (Spain) (red & yellow)
Year 1	España (Spain) (red & yellow)
Year 2	España (Spain) (red & yellow)
Year 3	México (red, white, green)
Year 4	Argentina (blue, white and yellow)
Year 5	Cuba (red, white & blue)
Year 6	Colombia (red, blue, yellow)



### Communication/Queries/Concerns

We are always available to hear your concerns and strive to resolve them in good time. We kindly ask that you follow the following pathway of communication:

- Pass any information about your child that could be relevant for the day; please speak to office/member of staff at the gate, class teacher.

1. If you have a concern, or would like to ensure no misunderstanding takes place, please **address your class teacher/teaching assistant first**; request appointment/phone call. Please do not email teachers directly as there are no expectations on them to answer via email.
2. You can also speak to Mrs Salik (Year 1,2, 3 Teaching and Learning Lead) or Mr Currie (Year 4,5,6 Teaching and Learning Lead) to find answers to your queries and get help to resolve your concerns.
3. If your matter has not been resolved, please request a meeting with /inform Mr Venn, our Deputy Headteacher (via office)
4. If you are still concerned and situation has not been resolved, request an appointment with me by [emailing](#) or calling the office 020 8805 9811.

SEN concerns should be directed via our office [email](#) for the attention of Mrs Radmore (Senco) and Ms Monaghan (Sen Consultant). They will pick the emails up on the days that they are working at EHA. Mrs Radmore works on Mondays and Wednesdays; Ms Monaghan is here on Wednesdays, and till the end of this half term, also on Thursdays.



### Correct Uniform

We have a Uniform Table once a month in the playground for families.

All children must wear the correct school uniform from YR-Y6. We expect children to adhere to the school's uniform policy. You can find a quick reminder of our school uniform requirements in the letter sent on 17.07.23 [here](#).

This includes all the items of uniform and ways to purchase them.

**Please remember that our uniform policy remained unchanged apart from a PE top** (white PE tops have been given out this week). Please ensure that all parts of your child's uniform are clearly labelled. Children are required to wear a white shirt not a polo T-Shirt.

**Once a month, Community Outreach Team will put up a table with second hand (washed) uniform items which are free of charge - dates will be communicated by in app text in Arbor.**

### Winter Fair - save the date: Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2023

We are looking for volunteers who can help with the running of this lovely event for the whole school community. Please join our PTA. If you are interested, please let your class rep know or speak to the office.

### Parent Consultations

You should all have now received your information letter from me and also your invitation to book your parent consultation email and text. If you are having any problems, please contact the school office.

Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> October 1.30-6.30pm	Reception, Year 1, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 6	- School closed for <b>all children</b> (Rec- Year 6) in the afternoon - early lunch for all children; pick up time at 1.15pm so that the consultations can start at 1.30pm. - No After School Club, no clubs/interventions
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> October 1-6pm	Year 2	School day as normal for all children
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> November 1-6pm	Year 5	School day as normal for all children

### Upcoming Coffee Mornings

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October - Year 6 Residential Information meeting for Year 6 parents and carers.

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October – Tapestry Information Meeting for Reception parents and carers.

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October - Year 6 Class Assembly for Year 6 parents and carers.

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October - Community Meet Up Coffee morning (Church hall).

### Turkish school lunch - delicious treats

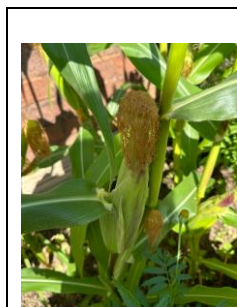
As part of our ongoing focus of recognising diverse cultures in our amazing community, Ms Le and her team prepared a delicious Turkish School lunch yesterday.



I was absolutely blown away by the Borek (feta and spinach pastry dish and Tavok Sorte (Turkish chicken stew). Children also loved Ravani, the semolina based cake. So far, we have celebrated cultures through food from: Britain, The Caribbean, China and next Tuesday, our taste buds will be *travelling* to Spain as part of Hispanic Day celebrations.

### EHA Home Grown Organic Corn on the Cob

Yesterday, we had opportunity to taste our own school grown corn on the cob. We are all so proud of growing healthy vegetables on site. Next week we will be collecting runner beans that have produced juicy bean seeds (purple variety) for our planting session in Spring.



Have a lovely weekend and keep smiling everyone!

With my very best wishes,

*Justyna Powne*

Headteacher