

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We have been able to celebrate lots of lovely events where the children have immersed themselves in learning. Events, trips and speciality days, are a big part of our curriculum. It is so important to bring learning to life and enrich children's experiences of the world around them. We have more coming up in July: Edgware's Got Talent, The school summer Fair, some trips to the park, the awards ceremony and more.

We look forward to you joining us over the next few weeks as we start to draw this school year to a close. Thank you for all your continued support.

Alison Jacob Head teacher

NURSERY PLACES

We are pleased to announce that we have a limited number of Nursery places available for September 2026. If your child was born between 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023, they may be eligible to join our Nursery. Our Nursery provides a nurturing and fun environment where children can learn, play, and develop confidence as they begin their school journey. For further information or to enquire about a place, please contact the school office.



Every month we have a value which we share with the children. Children who display this value in school are put into the Golden Book and receive a certificate and a clap in assembly.

In December our Values are :

Take responsible risks

Please could you discuss this value with your child/ren at home.

At Edgware we believe that every member of our school community is respectful, aspirational and committed to life-long learning and excellence.



ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY



POSITION	CLASS	% ATTENDANCE
1 ST	Cedar	97.21%
2 ND	Maple	95.81%
3 rd	Lime	93.49%

All absences must be reported before 9:00am each day by notifying the school. Tel: 020 8952 1472 option 1 or email absence@edgwareprimary.co.uk



THE BEN KINSELLA TRUST



The Year 6 children attended the Ben Kinsella Trust exhibition at Finsbury Library in Islington. The children learned about Ben Kinsella, his life, and the tragic events leading up to his death. They also explored the laws surrounding knife crime, with a particular focus on the concept of 'joint enterprise'. This helped them understand that a person can be held legally responsible for a crime if they encourage, support, or assist someone else in committing it. The workshop provided an engaging and thought-provoking opportunity for children to learn about the consequences of knife crime and the importance of making positive choices. Through discussions and interactive activities, pupils explored ways to stay safe, manage peer pressure, and contribute positively to their communities. The children represented the school exceptionally well, showing maturity, respect and thoughtful participation throughout the session. We are proud of the way they engaged with such an important topic.



OLIVE ASSEMBLY



On Tuesday 16th June, Year 3 Olive presented their class assembly all about Ancient Egypt, linked to their current History Topic. The children shared their knowledge of Ancient Egyptian life, including religion, culture and traditions. They spoke about the role of pharaohs, the process of mummification, and the different groups within Egyptian society. They also taught us about the important jobs carried out by scribes and viziers and shared interesting facts about Egyptian gods, including Anubis. The children then sang songs and played the drums and recorders to bring the sounds of Ancient Egypt to life. Thank you to all the parents that attended.



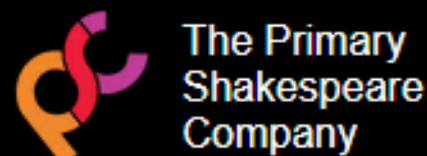
GAV YR 6

Growing Against Violence

On Thursday 4th June, the Year 6 children took part in an informative workshop led by Going Against Violence (GAV). This is a UK-based charity that operates within the London Area partnering with the Metropolitan Police to deliver violence-prevention and safety workshops. During the session, the children learned about staying safe online, using social media responsibly, and the importance of making good decisions. The workshop also explored ways to recognise and avoid unsafe situations and encouraged pupils to think about how they can keep themselves and others safe. The children listened attentively, engaged well with the discussions and asked excellent questions throughout the session.



SHAKESPEARE PROJECT



This term, Year 4 Beech children have been taking part in an exciting project with The Primary Shakespeare Company. Working alongside professional theatre practitioners the children have brought Shakespeare's stories and characters to life through acting and creative activities. As part of the programme, each class worked on a section of Shakespeare's play, *The Winter's Tale*. This has helped them to develop their confidence, teamwork and communication skills in preparation for a public performance at the Shakespeare Festival taking place on Tuesday 2nd June at the artsdepot in Finchley. Through this immersive experience, the children not only deepened their understanding of Shakespeare but also enhanced their literacy skills, creativity and enjoyment of learning. We are incredibly proud of how well they performed and their dedication throughout the project.



CINEWORLD WATFORD



On Monday 29th June, the Year 6 children visited Cineworld in Watford for a special school trip. This was a wonderful opportunity for them to spend time together outside the classroom in a fun and relaxed environment. The children enjoyed watching *Toy Story 6* while enjoying some tasty snacks during the film. It was a memorable experience for everyone and a lovely way to celebrate all their hard work.





SPANISH DAY



On Friday 12 June the children celebrated Spanish Day this was a fun and interactive learning experience that gave the children the opportunity to discover fascinating animals from Spanish-speaking countries while exploring different cultures. Throughout the morning the children had the opportunity to visit a variety of themed stands in the Hall. Two of the stands focused on Mexico and Ecuador, where pupils showcased information, they had researched about each country's culture, wildlife and famous landmarks. Children enjoyed asking questions and learning from our Year 5 and Year 6 volunteers. The younger children explored the displays and took photographs in a colourful butterfly-themed photo area, featuring butterflies and Spanish flags they had created themselves. As they visited each stand, children collected stamps in their Spanish Day passports, creating a special keepsake of their learning experience.

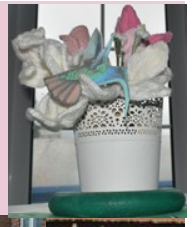
The Spanish Day activities continued throughout the afternoon, with each year group taking part in exciting learning experiences linked to Spanish-speaking countries and their wildlife.

Nursery and Reception children enjoyed a Spanish Animal Expedition. They designed their own binoculars and used them to search the hall for different animals. Year 1 became Spanish explorers, learning how to say hello "Hola" and introduce themselves "Me llamo..." in Spanish. Year 2 created colourful tortuga (turtle) artwork, while Year 3 watched a video about the Hummingbird. They learned that there are over 130 different species of Hummingbirds in Ecuador and that they can even fly backwards! The children then designed their own Hummingbird out of card. Year 4 explored the history of the Aztec Empire and learned about the Eagle and Jaguar Warriors. They also discovered the importance of certain animals in Mexican culture before creating striking positive and negative eagle prints. Year 5 focused on the beautiful butterflies of the Mindo Cloud Forest in Ecuador. After watching a video, they completed activities to deepen their understanding of these fascinating insects. Meanwhile, Year 6 investigated endangered and threatened animals from Mexico and Ecuador. They used their research to create informative conservation posters, helping to raise awareness of the importance of protecting wildlife.

The children thoroughly enjoyed Spanish Day and embraced every activity with enthusiasm. It was wonderful to see so many pupils dressed in colourful outfits and fully participating in the celebrations. We would like to thank all the parents and carers who kindly made a donation. The money raised will be used to purchase resources that will support children's learning. A special thank you goes to Ms. Carrera for all of her hard work and dedication in organising such a successful and enjoyable day for everyone.



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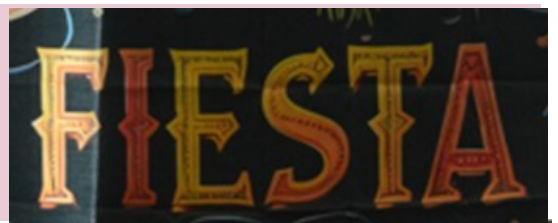


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BARNET MUSIC FESTIVAL



On Tuesday 9th June, the Edgware Primary School Choir attended the Barnet Music Festival at the Artsdepot in Finchley. The children joined over 1,700 young performers from 50 primary and secondary schools for this exciting musical event. The festival began with a multi school choir rehearsal, bringing together seven primary schools from across Barnet. Following this the Edgware choir performed in the drumming and chime bar sections before rehearsing their own song with the Festival Band.

The choir then proudly performed *Something Just Like This* by Coldplay and The Chainsmokers, accompanied by Varan on the violin and Amazing on the African djembe drum. The children sang with great confidence and enthusiasm.

We are incredibly proud of their hard work, commitment and dedication. It was wonderful to see them enjoying the opportunity to perform on a professional stage in front of such a large audience. Thank you to everyone who came along to support the children.



NARCONON

Thursday 11th June, Narconon UK Drug Education visited the 6 children to deliver an engaging and informative workshop on drug and alcohol awareness. Established in 1984, Narconon provides educational programmes in primary and secondary schools across the UK, with the aim of providing young people with accurate information about the physical and mental effects of substance abuse. The idea of the workshop is to encourage pupils to consider how making positive choices can help them achieve their goals while maintaining their health and safety. The children listened attentively and were given the opportunity to ask thoughtful questions throughout the presentation. We are incredibly proud of how well the children behaved and hope they found the workshop Informative.





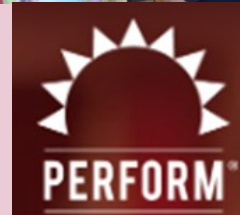
CAREERS FAIR



On Wednesday 17th June, the Year 6 pupils took part in an exciting Careers Day, designed to introduce them to a variety of professions and help them explore the many different opportunities available in the world of work. We were delighted to welcome a variety of guest, including a police officer, a housing officer from Kisharon Langdon (a charity that provides housing and support for young adults with learning disabilities), an architect, a nurse, a lawyer working in finance, a travel agent, a project developer and a medic. The medic explained the qualifications needed to become a doctor, including achieving strong GCSE and A-level results, particularly in science subjects, and applying to medical school through the university admissions process. The children were fascinated to learn about the dedication and hard work required to pursue a career in medicine. The children were highly engaged and asked thoughtful questions, gaining valuable insights into the skills, qualifications and experiences needed for each role. It was an inspiring morning that encouraged the children to think about their future aspirations and the many opportunities available to them.



DRAMA WORKSHOPS PETER PAN



On Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th June, Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children enjoyed an exciting *Peter Pan* performing arts workshop delivered by Drama4All, sponsored by Perform. Led by a professional actor, the interactive sessions combined storytelling, movement and role play, bringing the much-loved story of Peter Pan to life. The children helped Peter Pan rescue his stolen treasure from Captain Hook by taking part in fun activities, including 'Tick Tock Croc', freeze games and a lively Pirate Rap. The workshops were full of energy, imagination and laughter, and the children thoroughly enjoyed the experience.





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PIZZA MAKING ACTIVITY



As part of their Design and Technology (D&T) learning the children in Pine and Willow Class enjoyed an exciting visit to two local pizza restaurants in Edware: Papa Johns and Domino's Pizza. The children asked lots of questions and discovered many interesting facts. They learned that Domino's sells around 200 pizzas per day and that the most popular pizza sold at Papa Johns is peperoni! A huge thank you to both shops for making the children feel so welcome.

To extend their learning, the children become pizza chefs themselves! They spread tomato sauce onto pizza bases, sprinkled on cheese and selected their own toppings, including sweetcorn and mushrooms. They had great fun creating their pizzas and were delighted to taste their delicious finished products. This hands-on experience has helped them to develop their understanding of food preparation and enabled them to make independent choices when designing their own pizzas.





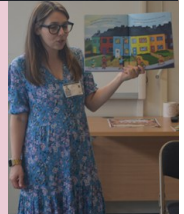
BOOK FAIR



During the week beginning 22nd June, the children had the exciting opportunity to visit the Book Fair. It was wonderful to see so many pupils browsing the wide range of books on offer and choosing books to enjoy at home. Thank you to all the families who supported the Book Fair through their purchases. Your generosity helps to raise valuable funds that will be used to buy new books and resources for our school, inspiring a lifelong love of reading.



AUTHOR VISIT



On Thursday 18th June we were delighted to welcome Esther Marshall, author of the Sophie Says series. Esther delivered an engaging and interactive reading session for the Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children, sharing a selection of her much-loved books, including Sophie Says I Can, I Will, Sophie Says It's OK Not To Be OK, and Sophie Says Be Proud of Who You Are.

Through her stories, Esther explores important themes such as confidence, resilience, kindness and emotional wellbeing in a fun and age-appropriate way. The children thoroughly enjoyed the sessions and were highly engaged throughout. One of their favourite parts was helping to find Bunny, who is hidden on every page of the books.

Following the readings, Esther stayed behind to meet the children and families and sign books.

If you would like to purchase books from the Sophie Says collection you can use the special Edgware Primary School discount code to receive 20% off your order via the link below.

<https://www.sophiesaysofficial.com/discount/Edgwareprimary>



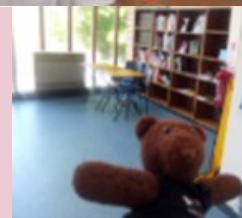
TFL WORKSHOP



On Monday 18th May Year 6 took part in the TFL Citizens workshop, this is designed to help prepare them for safe and independent travel as they get ready for the transition to secondary school. Delivered in partnership with Transport for London and the London Transport Museum, the sessions help to teach the children valuable life skills including journey planning, reading maps and timetables, using travel apps, and understanding how to apply for and use a Zip Oyster photocard responsibly. They also explored important topics such as personal safety on public transport, respectful behaviour towards others, and the benefits of using alternative travel such as walking, cycling, or scooting. The children participated enthusiastically throughout the workshop and developed greater confidence in travelling safely and responsibly around London.



EDGWARE LIBRARY



On Thursday 11th and 18th June, the Year 1 children enjoyed a visit to Edgware Library. The purpose of the visit was to encourage a love of reading and to help children access a wider range of books by signing up for a library card. They had the opportunity to explore the children's book section and listen to a story read by the librarian. The visits were a wonderful opportunity to inspire a lifelong enjoyment of reading and to introduce the children to the fantastic resources available at their local library.





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KEY CALENDAR DATES

Evacuation to Watling Park	8th July	TBC
Summer Fair	9th July	2.30pm—4.30pm
Reception show	Thursday 9th July	TBC
Reports	Friday 10th July	School reports sent to parents
Year 6 show	Tue 14th July Wed 15th July	Year 6 am show 9am Heming Wood Hall Evening show TBC
Going up afternoon	Thurs 16th July	Children have the opportunity to meet their new teachers
Year 6 party	Thurs 16th July	Yr. 6 Leavers party 3.15pm-5.30pm
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PARENTS AND SCHOOL....WORKING TOGETHER

Learn & Grow
Together

We're excited to invite all our families to our **Summer Fair** on **Thursday 9th July**! There will be something for everyone to enjoy, including delicious food stalls, fun games, a bouncy castle, and lots more exciting activities. It's a wonderful opportunity to come together as a school community, have fun, and celebrate the end of another fantastic year. We can't wait to see you there for an afternoon of laughter, entertainment, and summer fun!



ATTENDANCE

Holidays in Term Time

Please do not book holidays during term time. Taking holidays in school time is not acceptable and will **NOT** be authorised.

Parents may ask for leave of absence for **exceptional circumstances only** and should expect a fixed-penalty notice for each child if they do not have their Head teacher's permission.



TERM DATES

Autumn Term 2025

*2 INSET Days Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September

First Half – Wednesday 3rd September – Friday 24th October 25

*Half term – Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October 25

Second Half – Monday 3rd November – Friday 19th December 25

*1 INSET Day – Friday 28th November

Christmas holiday: Monday 22nd December – Friday 2nd January 26

Spring Term 2026

*1 INSET Day – Friday 9th January 26

First Half – Monday 5th January – Friday 13th February 2026

*Half term – Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February 26

Second Half – Monday 23rd February – Friday 27th March 26

Easter Holidays: Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April 26

(Easter Weekend 3rd April –6th April 26)

Summer Term 2026

*1 INSET Day – Friday 17th April 26

First Half – Monday 13th April – Friday 22nd May 2026

*Bank Holiday: Monday 4th May 26

*Half Term – Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May 26

Second Half – Monday 1st June Monday 20th July 25





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Spring Term 2026

*1 INSET Day - Friday 9th January 2026

First Half – Monday 5th January—Friday 13th February 2026

*Half term - Monday 16th February—Friday 20th February 2026

Second Half - Monday 23rd February—Friday 27th March 2026

School holiday: Monday 30th March — Friday 10th April 2026

(Easter Weekend 3rd April—6th April 2026)

Summer Term 2026

*1 INSET Day - Friday 17th April 2026

First Half - Monday 13th April—Friday 22nd May 2026

*May Bank Holiday - Monday 4th May 2026

*Half Term—Monday 25th May—Friday 29th May 2026

Second Half - Monday 1st June—Monday 20th July 2026

* *School closed to pupils*