



Edmonton County School

Educating our Community for Success



Letter from the Head of School

Mr P Miller

Dear Parents and carers,

Welcome to this week's Newsletter for parents.

Ofsted inspection: This week the school was inspected by Ofsted (we were previously inspected in November 2018). All parents / carers were invited to contribute to the Ofsted online questionnaire and your views will be taken into account in the final outcome and report. At this stage I am not able to share the outcome of the inspection with you, as it is confidential until their quality assurance processes are completed, but the report will be shared with parents via the school website when it is published towards the end of May.

Filtering and Monitoring: Schools are required, by law, to have software and systems in place to 'filter and monitor' all content and communications on school IT networks (including wireless networks, cloud-based platforms and email systems) to protect pupils from potentially harmful content. We have recently enhanced our filtering and monitoring system to a package called 'Lightspeed Filter'. It filters and monitors 24/7, 365 days a year for images and text relating to self-harm, violence, bullying, weapons, drugs and alcohol and explicit material. Senior leaders are automatically alerted when there is a possible concern, and this may lead to conversations with students and parents if the concern is confirmed. Students have been reminded about filtering and monitoring through assemblies. You can find further information about the [Lightspeed package at: www.lightspeedsystems.com/en_uk/products/lightspeed-filter/](http://www.lightspeedsystems.com/en_uk/products/lightspeed-filter/)

Mobile phones policy: A reminder that the school has a clear policy regarding mobile phones, which can be found on our website [Mobile Phone Policy 2023-24](#). In summary, mobile phones are not permitted to be used on school site and should be turned off and put away at all times. Students should store their phones safely in their bag. Smart watches are not permitted in school. Phones and smart watches will be immediately confiscated if seen on or in use on school grounds.

Outside the school grounds, parents are responsible for their child's use of their mobile phones and social media apps. Whilst we endeavour to resolve any issue that arises



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between pupils in our school, we have limited capacity (and limited powers) to investigate and sanction any incidents that arise from the use of mobile phones outside school. Therefore, we are asking for your partnership in dealing with this important issue.

As a school we are responding to these issues through our PSHCE, Assembly, Tutor Time and Enrichment Day programmes, and we work closely with our Safer Schools Police Officer in relation to any serious incidents that arise from the inappropriate use of social media. Thank you for your cooperation and support in these matters.

Upcoming events and important dates:

- Monday 6 May: Bank Holiday – school closed
- Thursday 9 May 4pm-7pm: Year 9 Parents' Evening - held on our Bury campus

Our Weekly Newsletter aims to provide our school community with news, updates, important announcements and key dates. However, if you do have any questions, please contact the school via ecsenquiries@edact.org.uk in the first instance.

Thank you for your continued support.



Paul Miller, Head of School



Enfield Carers Centre
CARERS WEEK
FAMILY FUN DAY

Enfield Carers Centre
Empowering Carers

TOMBOLA STALLS
TALENT SHOW
KIDS GAMES
INFO STALLS
BOUNCY CASTLES
FREE ENTRY
FOOD & DRINK
PRIZES
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT MUSIC MASCOTS

Saturday 8th June 2024
12 - 4pm
Enfield Town Library Green

Charity Reg. No: 1140089



Year 11 / A Level / BTEC Exams - EXPECTATIONS FOR STUDENTS

- Make sure you check the seating plans posted in the playground in case there is a change of room for your exam (line up in the playground at least 15 minutes before the start time)
- Bring all the equipment you will need for the exam [black pens, pencils, ruler, calculator (where allowed), protractor, compasses]
- Full school uniform/smart business wear needs to be worn, with IDs placed on the exam desk
- Make sure you understand the rules
- Mobile phones/smart watches, or any other product with potential technological/web enabled sources of information must be switched off and put in bags. **Any student found with such a device on them in an exam room will face disqualification from that exam**
- Any pencil cases taken into the exam room must be see-through
- Only small water bottles will be allowed into the exam room and must have all labels removed

You must not take into the exam room:

- Notes
- a calculator case/instruction leaflet

Listen to the invigilators and follow their instructions during the exam. Good luck with your revision and the exams!

Next week :

Date	Start	Len	Component Title	Level	Cands
Mon 29 Apr	08:30	All Day	Year 11 French Speaking	GCSE/9FC	
Tue 30 Apr	08:30	All Day	A Level Photography & Textiles Exam Day 1	GCE/A	
Wed 1 May	08:30	04:00	BTEC Media Unit 8 Part 1	BTEC	3
Wed 1 May	08:30	All day	A Level Photography & Textiles Exam Day 2	GCE/A	
Thu 2 May	08:30	All Day	A Level Photography & Textiles Exam Day 3	GCE/A	
Thu 2 May	08:30	02:00	BTEC Media Unit 8 Part 2	BTEC	3

The following week:

Date	Start	Length	Board	Component Code	Component Title	Level	Cands
Thu 09 May	8:30 AM	01:45	AQA	8062/13	Religious Studies A P1-3 Christianity & P1-5 Islam	GCSE/9FC	251
Thu 09 May	8:30 AM	00:00	AQA	8062/15	Religious Studies A P1-5 Islam	GCSE/9FC	251
Thu 09 May	1:40 PM	01:45	AQA	8261/W	Drama Written Paper	GCSE/9FC	30
Thu 09 May	1:40 PM	02:00	EDEXL/KSQ	31489H1A	Developing A Marketing Campaign	BTNG/B	22
Fri 10 May	8:30 AM	01:45	AQA	8461/1H	Biology Paper 1 Tier H	GCSE/9FC	54
Fri 10 May	8:30 AM	01:15	AQA	8464/B/1H	Combined Sci Trilogy Biology P1H	GCSE/9DA	88
Fri 10 May	8:30 AM	01:15	AQA	8464/B/1F	Combined Sci Trilogy Biology P1F	GCSE/9DA	115
Fri 10 May	8:30 AM	03:00	EDEXL/KSQ	31489H1B	Developing A Marketing Campaign	BTNG/B	22
Fri 10 May	1:40 PM	01:45	AQA	8192/1	Sociology Paper 1	GCSE/9FC	53

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Celebrating SUCCESS at Edmonton County School



CELEBRATING SUCCESS IN THE SOCIAL STUDIES AND HUMANITIES FACULTIES

Each Year, The Historical Association Runs 'Young Quills', A Historical Fiction Competition

World renowned authors – including names such as Jacqueline Wilson and Tom Holland – publish new works of historical fiction for children in four age categories ranging from age 5 to 14+.

These books are then read and reviewed by young people around the UK. The students' reviews are used to judge the best works of historical fiction for young people for that year. The competition is unique as the judges' decisions are based entirely on the views of young people.

This year Edmonton County School was delighted to be selected along with a small number of other schools. As a result, our school was gifted 20 new books and 20 of our students were then selected to read them and write a review. Their reviews will be published on the Historical Association website once the competition concludes.

The students were selected based on both an outstanding ability in history and a sustained effort in the subject.

The participating students are listed below and you can also read a selection of their reviews too.

*Grace Blackshaw (Year 7)	*Alia Boyd (Year 7)	*Yassin Jellouli (Year 7)
*Leyla Bagci (Year 7)	*Gyulyu Apostolova (Year 7)	*Emilia Ansah (Year 7)
*Thabeeb Ahmed (Year 8)	*Bilal Uddin (Year 8)	*Zhir Outhman (Year 8)
*Rehan Rahman (Year 8)	*Millie Huckle (Year 8)	*Lorraine Hussain (Year 8)
*Asli Duman (Year 8)	*Neda Ali (Year 10)	*Maria Andreou (Year 10)
*Sahil Uddin (Year 10)	*Zakariya Mohamed (Year 10)	*Priscilla Nyamaah (Year 10)
*Marsida Matic (Year 10)	*Kumsitu Abdulaziz (Year 10)	*Brianna Ogbole (Year 8)
*Zerya Kalay (Year 8)	*Kaeesan Polat (Year 8)	*Masal Su Ceritli (Year 8)

STUDENT BOOK REVIEWS

Name: Millie Huckle

Book: I am Lydia

Age group: Year 8

I have been reading the book called I am Lydia, by the author J.Ryan. My favourite character is the main character, Lydia, because normally books based in that time have the image of women as a sort of object and that they have to do what they are told. But in this book Lydia is presented as strong and powerful. Whilst reading this book I learnt that women were sometimes in some places treated equally to men in the past. I learned about the period of history that the book was based on and I would like to find out more about this period of time Personally I find it interesting the book defies the stereotypical image of women and how they need to be seen but not heard. In this book girls and boys have the same opportunities and an equal education. I would definitely recommend the book to other students because it is just an amazing read, but if some students have trouble reading small words I would probably not recommend it to those people because the book does use small words. Overall, it is a great read and I definitely recommend giving it a go.

CELEBRATING SUCCESS IN THE SOCIAL STUDIES AND HUMANITIES FACUTLIES

Name: Grace Blackshaw

Book: Her Majesty's League of Remarkable Ladies

Age group: Year 7

This book was incredible and lovely experience to read. One of the most iconic characters is Clancy, his care free attitude and personality makes him a funny and interesting character to read about. This accompanies well the capable smart character Winifred Weatherby, Winnie, who is charming and an absolute star in this story. I knew a little about this period of time, but more after reading this. It may be fiction, but it is based on fact, and most characters (Including Ms Campbell) were real. In the back of the book there is an interesting factfile which includes humour, facts and accounts of characters who were real. This book does inspire me to learn more about this time period. I would recommend this to most readers, as it includes drama, mystery, action, suspense, humour, and much more.

Name: Zakariya Mohamed

Book: Code Name Kingfisher

Age group: Year 10

In the book Code Name Kingfisher I found Mila the most intriguing as she had an aura around her and overall was portrayed as an amazing character. I have also learnt a lot from this book and about new things I never knew that hopefully now I could dive a bit deeper into, like the Nazis. I only knew a bit about the Jewish oppression before reading the book but now I truly see the injustice they had faced. I would 100% without a doubt in my mind recommend this to other fellow students so they could gain some more knowledge from this like I have. This book has inspired me to look into things more deeply.

Name: Marsida Matic

Book: Sisters of Sword and Show

Age group: Year 8

This book was set during King Arthur's reign which is usually idolised in media because of the unique stories that derive from then such as Arthur pulling a sacred sword from a rock and his success as a King. However, this book manages to put a spin onto this by demonstrating the darker and less seen side of the Arthur time period by showing the struggles of many villagers and women specifically. I had known about this time period beforehand due to the stories of King Arthur being heroic and someone that is looked up to. Sigrid, the one who sweeps the main character into the plot of the story, was my personal favourite as she embodies a strong mentor role that is slowly revealed as the plot progresses. This book has inspired me to discover more about the time period of King Arthur, especially to see what unknown parts of that time in history was kept hidden. Overall, I would recommend this book to adventure and action loving readers for a unique plot filled with loveable characters.



It is [#worldbookday](#) - so here is the long list for the Young Quills 2024. Is your favourite current author of children's historical fiction on it?
[@theLucyStrange](#) [@scattyscribbler](#) [@DanSmithAuthor](#) [@sufiyaahmed](#)
[@EagleJudith](#) [@WelshDragonParr](#)



history.org.uk
 Young Quills 2024 - the longlist

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13 Reposts 17 Quotes 40 Likes 2 Bookmarks



Week 13

As we begin the Summer Term and holidays are on the horizon. We head into exam season and with it brings a whole host of new challenges and priorities that require our attention.

The demands that arise are ever present and now is the time to make sure our wellbeing is a priority. It is so important to keep ourselves topped up with coping strategies and opportunities to look after ourselves. Now more than ever it is vital that we use all of our available resources to keep ourselves well.

These are things that we can do for ourselves to maintain our wellbeing and reduce the impact of external factors, such as stress, and illness. This time of year, can bring about additional pressures that require extra effort to keep our minds and bodies well.

Wellbeing tips and strategies can sometimes ease these pressures. An example of this is a healthy diet, exercise, breathing exercises and relaxation.

Each week we will share a wellbeing tip and a positive affirmation that can be used as an aid to put in your 'toolbox'.

Wellbeing Tip**This week's tip is...**

During times of stress, we might feel under pressure or worried about our impact. It can be difficult to stay confident and have faith in ourselves and our accomplishments. As we move towards the weekend, it is important to look back with pride in our efforts and allow our inner voices to be a friend to us, rather than one that is critical or unkind.

Inspirational Quote**This week's inspirational quote...**

Talk to yourself like you would to someone you love

Brene Brown

Stress awareness Month Started April 1st

<https://www.stress.org.uk/SAM2024/>

To access support please contact your progress lead

USEFUL RESOURCES access to 24/7 mental health support

KOOTH - www.kooth.com

CHILDLINE - 0800 1111

CRISIS LINE --0800 151 0023.... 24/7 access to support when dealing with a mental health crisis



Mrs Sciascia, - Lead Counsellor
Miss Knox-Hooke and Mrs Phillips - School Counsellors

Reading Nook



ECS LITERACY NEWSLETTER



Hello everyone and welcome back!

We welcome the summer term with some long overdue spring cleaning at Cambridge Library.

In other words, we are going through our collections and clearing out the old to make way for the new. What this means for you is: **FREE BOOKS FOR ALL!**

Feel free to pop by the library and browse our giveaway stacks; you are welcome to keep any book you wish, either for you or for your class.

Bury staff, worry not, we will be having a clear out at Bury library soon!



In other news, the very prestigious **Foyle Young Poets Competition** is being run by The Poetry Society.

Any student aged 11-17 can enter their poem(s) by the 31st of July, for a chance to be one of the 100 winners and have their poem printed in the Foyle Young Poets of the Year Anthology, kickstarting their writing career!

The poems can be on any theme and in any style but must be no longer than 40 lines.

Please send the students (or their poems) to your librarian for submission.



Lastly, let us all wish good luck to our students who are competing in the **Schools of Enfield Chess Tournament.**

The tournament will take place on Wednesday 1st of May at Lea Valley Academy and will conclude with one grand final game which will determine this year's Chess Champion.



Go ECS!

BOOK OF THE WEEK



BLUELOCK



By Muneyuki Kaneshiro



This book has been recommended by

Mustafa Abunada, 8C2.

Do you have a book recommendation?

Come to the library or send it to

Mr. Lister or Miss Portelli. There are

prizes and praise aplenty for

every book recommendation we

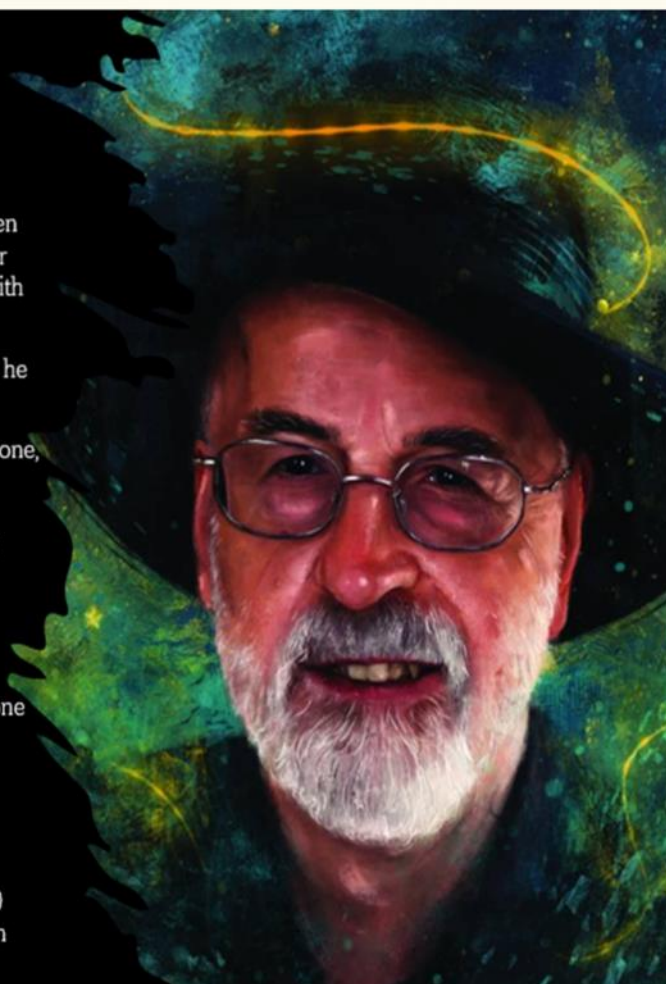
receive from both staff and students.

AUTHOR OF THE MONTH

TERRY PRATCHETT

Author of the Month

- ❖ Born in 1948, Terry Pratchett wrote his first story, *The Hades Business*, when he was only thirteen! It was first published in his school magazine and later published in the *Science Fantasy* magazine, earning him fourteen pounds with which he bought his very own typewriter.
- ❖ He started working as a journalist in the *Bucks Free Press* newspaper when he was seventeen.
- ❖ His most popular book series, *Discworld*, consisted of 41 books. The first one, *The Colour of Magic*, was published in 1983, whereas the last one, *The Shepherd's Crown*, was published after his death in 2015. Many of his fans have saved this book unread on their shelves in his honour. The *Discworld* series has produced many video games, plays, TV adaptations, maps, etc.
- ❖ Pratchett was UK's first bestselling author, until 1997, when Rowling published *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*.
- ❖ Diagnosed with a severe form of Alzheimer's in 2007, Pratchett donated one million to Alzheimer's research and kept on writing books and spreading awareness about his condition.
- ❖ In 2009, the Queen knighted Pratchett, making him officially Sir Terry Pratchett, after which he actually made his very own sword!
- ❖ After his death (2015), as per his wishes, his computer drive, containing 10 unfinished novels, was destroyed – smashed by a steamroller and then run through a stone crusher!



WORD ROOT OF THE WEEK

CROM-

Word root of the week: **chrom** (Greek) colour



Subject:
Photography

WEEKLY WORD ROOT QUIZ – **monochrome**

- a) a single search engine
- b) The King of Rome
- c) Made with a single colour/hue



Word root of the week: **chrom** (Greek) colour



monochrome

- c) Made with a single colour/hue

Other examples of words with **chrom**:

Chromatic

Chromosome

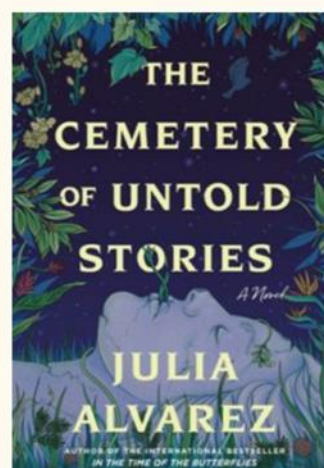
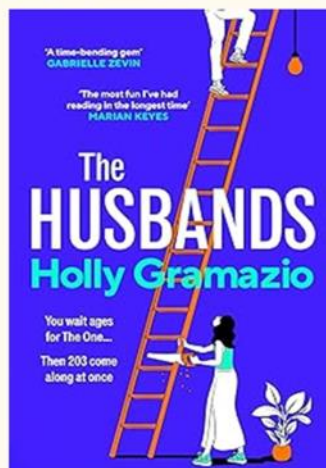
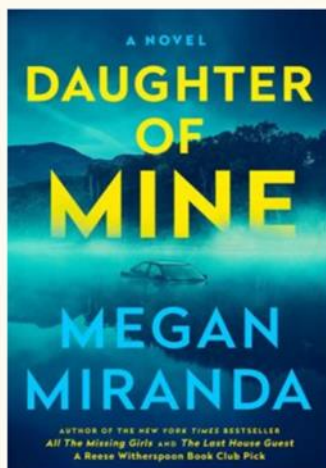
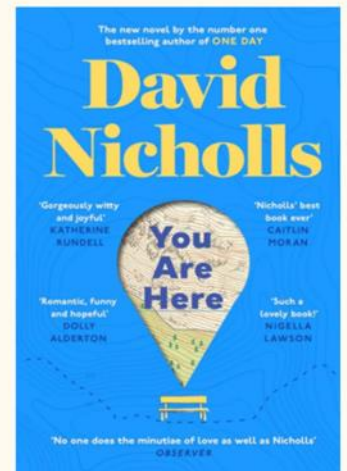
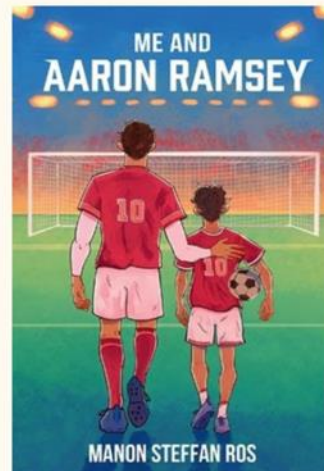
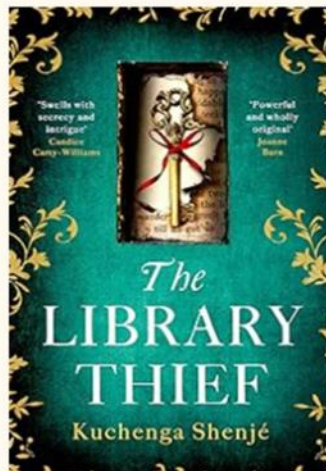
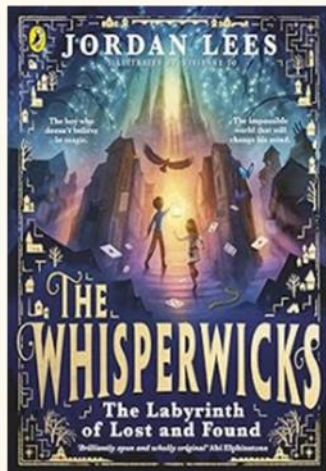
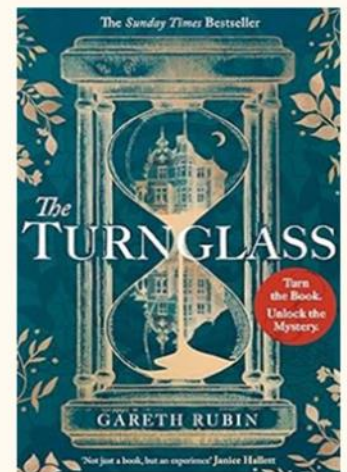
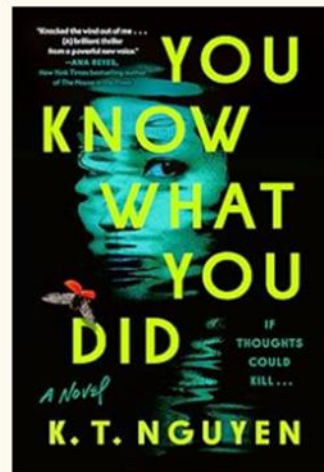
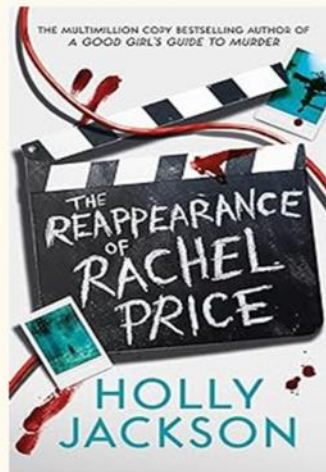
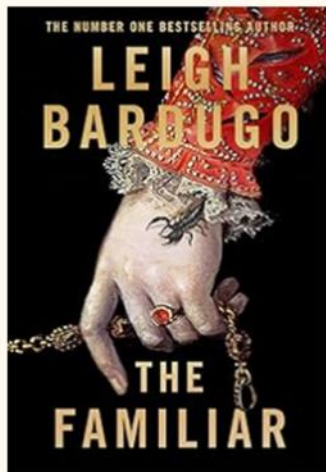
Chromium



CHALLENGE:
Can you think of any other words?
Can you think of any other subjects where these words are used?

HOT NEW RELEASES

APRIL



THANKS FOR STOPPING BY AND
HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND.
CHRISTY TSOLAKIDOU
CAMBRIDGE LIBRARIAN



Housing conferences

for council tenants and leaseholders

my **HOME**

Have your say and
learn more about
everything to do
with your home

Tenants' Conference:
Saturday 15th June 2024 - time 11am to 3pm

Leaseholders' Conference:
Saturday 6th July 2024 - time 11am to 3pm

FREE LUNCH
FREE PRIZE DRAW

Oasis Academy Hadley
South Street,
Ponders End,
EN3 4PX

To book a place at either conference please email:
myhome@enfield.gov.uk or call 020 8132 0799

For more details visit:
www.enfield.gov.uk/councilhousing



ENGLISH CLASSES



- Introduction to English language
- Designed specifically for parents/carers who speak English as a second Lanaguage
- Aims to build self-confidenace
- Develops communication skills

Classes will be held on **Fridays**
between 3rd May - 28th June

1pm-3pm

At Edmonton County Primary School

To register your interest please email
Mrs Roberts at
ecsprimaryenquiries@edact.org.uk





Edmonton County Primary School



STAY AND PLAY



We have spaces for admissions to our Reception class
for September 2024.

Come along with your child to play
and tour our school!

**Every Thursday morning
10:15am - 11:30am**

Little Bury Street, Edmonton, London N9 9JZ

FREE

Secondary Assemblies – w/c: 29th April 2024

	Bury Campus	Cambridge Campus
Monday 29th April	Year 7	Year 7
Tuesday 30th April	Year 8	Year 8
Wednesday 1st May	Year 10	Year 10
Thursday 2nd May		
Friday 3rd May		

Top Tutor Groups For Attendance W/C 15th April 2024



10C1 – 99.1%

11B5 – 98.5%

Overall Bury Attendance - 93.1%

Overall Cambridge Attendance - 91.9%



Mrs M Corfe - Attendance Officer



Sixth Form Best Attendance W/C 15th April 2024

Cambridge – 12F – 96.2%

Bury – Year 13B – 91.1%

Overall Year 12 Attendance - 92.6%

Overall Year 13 Attendance - 85.4%



Well done and keep up the good work!!

Mrs N Uddin - Student Manager - Cambridge Campus

