



# East Sheen Primary School

## Newsletter 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023



### Black History Month

At ESPS we have developed an inclusive curriculum that celebrates the contributions of everyone in our community. We ensure that multiculturalism and diversity is interwoven



into our everyday teaching and is embedded in our core subjects and the wider curriculum.

In addition to this, we are celebrating Black History Month throughout October. We believe in the importance of marking this month, as it provides great opportunities to reflect on the key moments in history and in today's society. This week, pupils have been enjoying stories from around the world in storytime.

### World Teachers' Day:



Staff were very touched by the treats given to the staffroom on World Teachers' Day on Thursday.

Thank you very much!

### Richmond Park Academy visit:

On Tuesday, Year 6 had a visit from Richmond Park Academy headteacher, Mr Whelan, and four students. The two Year 7 students, both former ESPS pupils, and the head girl and head boy (also a former East Sheen student), answered children's questions about starting secondary school and it was an excellent introduction to the transition work that children complete in Year 6 as they prepare for the move to secondary school. Please remember that the deadline for secondary school applications is **31<sup>st</sup> October 2023**.



### Helping Hands Award:

F has been awarded the Helping Hands Award this week for being respectful to our school environment. He has been ensuring that the playgrounds and the learning spaces are clear of rubbish and mess – thank you, F!





# East Sheen Primary School

## Newsletter 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023



### Sports Star:



K was awarded this week's Sports Star Award for excellent engagement in Racquets Cubed. Well done, K!

### Notices and reminders:



If you have any **audio books** / story CDs that you no longer use, we would welcome any donations for our school library.

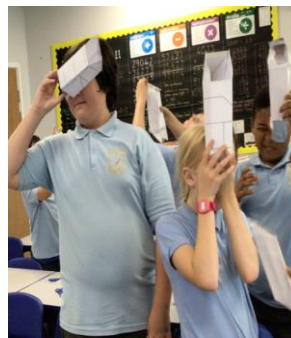
If you are an **Urdu speaker** and are able to help the school with some translation work, please contact Madeleine Jensen (school SENCO) via the school office.

Your child is welcome to bring a **healthy snack** to enjoy at school, such as carrot sticks or piece of fruit. Please note we are a nut-free school.



### Year 6:

Year 6 have been diving into the captivating world of light and reflection. They explored how periscopes work by reflecting light and even created their own periscopes to test their understanding.



### 'Helping children with resilience':

The Mental Health Support Team are offering a free webinar which will support you in understanding how children develop resilience, while exploring a variety of helpful coping skills, and what you can do as a parent or carer to help them be their most confident self. To book onto a course on the 16<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup> October, please [follow this link](#).

### Child too ill for school?

Please follow the guidance, as issued by the NHS, if you are unsure if you should be sending your child to school due to illness.

[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS](#)  
([www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk))

### Attendance and absence:

**A reminder that attendance is crucial for a child to succeed at school. Please note that the school gates open at 8.40 and children must be lined up to start school by 8:50. Thank you for your ongoing support with this.**

Well done to classes RC, 1D, 2B, 2N, 3C, 4H, 5B, 5M, 5S and 6H who all got over 97% attendance last week and a special mention to class 2S who got 100% attendance.