



East Sheen Primary School

Newsletter 3rd November 2023



We hope that you and your families had an enjoyable and restful half-term break. We are all looking forward to a fun-filled second half of the autumn term.

Air raid visit:

Year 4 had the exciting opportunity to visit a local air raid shelter at St Leonard's Court. This was a fascinating experience which gave the students a real insight in to life during WW2.



Bonfire experience:

Year 1 have been busy writing poems about Bonfire Night and using their senses to help them use figurative language. To support the children with this writing, they were provided with a bonfire experience, hot chocolate and toasted marshmallows – a real treat for all the senses!



Fit for Life Award:

We have been awarded the 'Daily Mile Children Fit for Life Award.' This is a new scheme which is celebrating schools who have successfully implemented the daily mile,



encouraging children to be fit and active!

Barvember:

This year, ESPS are taking part in Barvember - a month of daily maths challenges that all primary pupils can get involved with. Throughout the month of November, your children will be challenged to solve different maths problems at school using a bar model. To make it more interesting, each week we would like to challenge you and your family by asking you to solve a question at home by

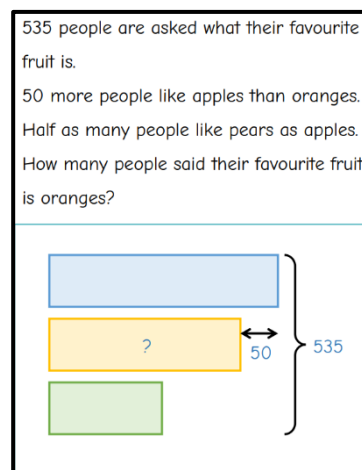
using a bar model. If you accept the challenge, please take a photo of your working out and send to info@eastsheen.richmond.sch.uk FAO Miss Thorp. At the end of the month, we will celebrate any children who have taken part in Barvember during their Key Stage assemblies. Challenge number 1 is below. Happy bar modelling!

If you are unfamiliar with bar models, please watch this short

video: <https://whiteroseeducation.com/resources/barvember>

Renaissance Reader:

Many children in Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6) use an online tool called Renaissance Reader. This website helps children to build their reading skills with book quizzes, word counts and half-termly assessments. Children can take an online quiz from home when they finish a school book. Parents/carers are able to log in to see these





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quiz results, receive email notifications and view their child's reading record online.

To do this, [visit](#) here and use the Renaissance Reader log in and password details which your child has in their reading record. For more information about how to log in to view your child's record on Renaissance Reader, or to receive email notifications, please [click here](#).

School lunch competition from the Mayor of London:

The Mayor's 'Love your Lunches' School Challenge invites London's school children in Years 3-6 to celebrate what is good about school lunches by making a creative piece of work on the theme '**The best thing about school lunches is...**'. By entering the challenge, pupils will have the chance for their work to feature on the Mayor of London's communications platforms and further prizes to be announced shortly (updates will be posted online). **The deadline for entries is Monday 20th November 2023 at 11.59 pm.** You can find out more about the challenge, including terms and conditions and how to enter on the website: [The Mayor of London's Universal School Meals creative challenge | London City Hall](#)

Helping Hands:

Well done to L in 6T for being awarded this week's Helping Hands cup for showing up to school with an infectious positive attitude.



Sports Award:



Congratulations to W in Y1 for being awarded this week's Sports Award for helping others and challenging himself in PE lessons.

Notices and reminders:

Please look out for a Parentmail message which was sent out earlier this week, with information about Parent Consultation meetings that will take place in-person during the week commencing Monday 13th November.

PTA event:

The festive Christmas Fair will take place on Saturday 25th November – more details to follow shortly.

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 1D, 1DP, 2N, 2S, 6K and 6T who all got over 97% attendance for the week before the half-term holiday (15th – 20th October).