

Dear Parents,

As another exciting week at Edison draws to a close, please see below important reminders and information for the coming week.

Maths Number Day - Friday 4th February 2022

The children and staff had a fantastic day by taking part in Number Day and celebrating Maths at school while raising money to support the NSPCC. It was fantastic to see the children and staff all dressed wearing an item of clothing representing a number. In the afternoon, the children took part in playing Maths games. Number Day is a great way to make maths fun and bring a positive, 'can- do' attitude towards it.

Thank you to everyone who has helped to raise money for the NSPCC by donating on the Just Giving page <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/edison-primary-school>.

All the money we raise at Edison will make an enormous difference to children today and help the NSPCC be there for children.

Athletics Competition

We would to say well done to our Year 5 children who represented us in the Indoor Athletics Sports Hall Borough Finals. It was a challenging competition, but the children were brilliant throughout trying their hardest and represented the school brilliantly. We look forward to working hard now to improve for next year.

Football Week

Schools Football Week Monday 7th-Friday 13th February

Next week is schools football week. Each day we will be holding a different football based activity at lunchtime. Please see schedule below:

Monday- Cross Bar Challenge

Tuesday- Keepy Up Competition

Wednesday- Penalty Shoot Out

Thursday- Beat the Coach

Friday- Numbers Game

• Parent Teacher Consultations

Parent – Teacher consultations will be held on the following dates:

Monday 7th February and Tuesday 8th February - Reception

Monday 7th February and Tuesday 8th February - Year 1

Monday 7th February and Tuesday 8th February - Year 2

Wednesday 9th February and Thursday 10th February – Year 3

Wednesday 9th February and Thursday 10th February – Year 4

Wednesday 9th February and Thursday 10th February – Year 5 Teachers will hold meetings via:

Option 1:

Telephone meeting

Or

Option 2: Zoom meeting

It is important that you indicate which option you prefer, if no preference is specified, the teacher will carry out the meeting via telephone. (Please ensure your contact

numbers and or email address on Arbor are all up to date) Consultations will last 10 minutes.

If you require further meeting with the teacher this can be arranged at a future date.

Please kindly book your slot via Arbor, self scheduling of appointments will close on Sunday 6th February.

Last day of Half Term

Please note that the children break up for half term on **Friday 11th February at 1:30pm**

Children can come to school in their home clothes on this day for a donation of £1.00.

Please note there will be NO after school club provision on this day.

The first day back after half term for pupils will be **Tuesday 22nd February 2022.**

A Message from Edison Friends

Dear Parents,

Due to the pandemic, Edison Friends has not been able to meet and therefore been unable to organise activities/events for the children since lockdown. With the well being and safety of the community in mind we hope that we can once again start planning

some activities to help everyone with their wellbeing, mental health and social interactions.

To support and get to know the new families that have joined Edison this year we are planning a social (Edison Friends Parents' Social) event to connect with you. Date and Venue to be notified later.

We are pleased to announce a couple of key provisional dates for the coming year events.

Friday, 1 April 2022 – Spring Fashion Show

Saturday,

16 July 2022 – Summer Fair

Don't forget to mark them on your calendar! If you would like to volunteer to make these events successful, please email the school asking them to pass your contact details on to us. Alternatively if you have any comments or suggestions, please email them to the school and it will be forwarded to us.

We look forward to hearing from you and would like to thank you for all your help and support.

Best regards,
Edison Friends

After School Club Collection

Our school office will close at **4.30pm**. If you are picking up your child from After School Club after this time, please use the bell at the school office entrance, and either Mrs Kassam or Mrs Mahal will come to meet you and fetch your child from the club.

If you have rung the bell and there is no answer please kindly call 07814 021729. This will only be likely on the occasions that the children are taken outside to play. We appreciate your patience and support with this.

Bringing Children to School

Your child should arrive at school by **8.45am**, the school gate opens from 8.35am so you can drop your child at their year group entrance from this time onwards. Please ensure you support your child by ensuring they arrive on time and ready to learn. Any late arrivals should need to report to the main school office.

If your child is going to be absent for any reason, please inform the school office by **8.30am** using our automated telephone service and choosing option 1.

If you need to drop your child off earlier than 8.45am, please book them into our Early Birds breakfast club, which costs £3 per session and includes a healthy breakfast. You can bring them to Early Birds from 8am onwards.

Collecting Children from School

Your child should be collected from school at **3.45pm** unless they are staying for an after school club. If you need to collect your child later than this, please book them into our Night Owls after school club. This costs £5 per hour, which includes a healthy snack, and runs until 5.45pm.

Lateness, at either end of the school day, is disruptive and can make the children anxious. Please make every effort to arrive at school on time to help your child have the best school experience possible. Persistent latecomers (more than three episodes) will be referred to Mrs Dokal and, if the lateness is not then resolved, will be passed onto the Education Welfare Officer for further action.

School Meals

Parents have the choice of sending their child in with a packed lunch or booking a school meal, which is freshly prepared on the premises. The cost of a school meal is £2.35 per day for children in Years 3, 4 and 5 (or free if your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium).

Please ensure your child's lunch is booked at least a week in advance using the ScoPay system, and ensure their account payment is topped up on a regular basis.

Queries for Individual Teachers

Please remember that, between 8.55am and 3.45pm, our teaching staff are busy ensuring that your child's learning is the best it can possibly be. If you need to contact your child's class teacher for any reason, please do so initially via SeeSaw.

Club/Dinner Payments

Could we kindly request you to top up your child's dinner accounts if you pay for them.

Also please kindly clear any outstanding balances on Scopay for any clubs they are attending and ensure that these accounts are topped up regularly.

Polite Reminders Parking

We would like to say a big thank you to all those parents that have been very mindful to the local residents when parking.

Please can we urge you all to continue to support the school and be aware of not blocking local residents driveways and double parking.

COVID-19 Update

As there have been a number of COVID 19 cases throughout the school, we would like to remind you of the following information.

Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19 as per government guidelines.

- The individuals who are self-isolating with COVID-19 have the option to reduce the isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with an LFD test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to school immediately on day 6.
- The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be reported to NHS Test and Trace.
- If the result of either test is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.
- The new rules also apply to people who are already isolating – so if someone was already isolating before Monday 17 January, they can take LFD tests on day 5 and 6 and if they are both negative and they have no temperature they can end their isolation.
- Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10-day period of self-isolation.

If you develop COVID-19 symptoms, self-isolate immediately even if your symptoms are mild. This is because many people experience mild symptoms from COVID-19, but may still pass on the virus to others.

The most important symptoms of COVID-19 are recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell

Self-isolation exemptions

In most cases, you're not required to self-isolate if you live in the same household as someone with COVID-19, or are a close contact of someone with COVID-19, and any of the following apply:

- you're fully vaccinated
- you're below the age of 18 years and 6 months
- you've taken part in or are currently part of an approved COVID-19 vaccine trial
- you're not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons

Please continue to keep your families and friends safe.

We thank you in advance for your support.

Hot Chocolate

Please see attached Hot Chocolate winners for this week.

Picture News

Please see attached Picture News to share with your child at home.