

Dear Parent/Carer

Please see below important information and dates for the coming week.

Christmas Performances at Edison

After two years of lockdown it was a pleasure to see our great school community come together.

What an epic week full of fabulous performances by our wonderful children, it was so lovely to see all their talent and melodious singing!

A very big thank you to the amazing team for their hard work and dedication.

We hope you all enjoyed watching your children perform.

Class Reading Journals

This week, the winning classes received their class prizes for having the most creative reading journal showing a love of reading.

Congratulations Watson and Goodall classes! Enjoy your book prizes to read aloud in class!

Year 1 Watson Class Reading Journal winners



Year 4 Goodall Class Reading Journal winners



Severe Cold Weather Warning

We have been advised that there is a 99% probability of severe cold weather/icy conditions in the local area from now until Friday 16 December.

During this time, please make sure your child comes to school in a warm coat or jacket, with hat, scarf and gloves so that they are well protected against the cold weather. Please also take extra care when travelling to and from school, as the roads and pavements are likely to have ice on them.

Our school will be taking extra care, with safety measures in place to ensure that your child is safe and well while they are at school, such as shorter playground breaks and additional support if needed.

Please remember that your child can have a hot and healthy school meal, and that our Early Birds and Night Owl before and after school clubs are also available to parents.

This weather could increase health risks to vulnerable people and disrupt the delivery of services. If your home is difficult to heat, please refer to the information we sent out last week for additional help for households and the location of 'warm spaces' in the local area.

Last Day of Term - Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper day

Please note that **Friday 16th December** is the last day of term and school closes at 1:30pm. Children can come to school in their home clothes/Christmas jumpers.

Please note that as school closes at 1:30pm there will be no after school club provision on this day.

Deadline 15 January 2023 - New Reception Admission 2023/24

If you have a child who is due to start in our Reception in September 2023, please ensure you make an early application. Submitting a late application greatly reduces the chance of your child getting a place at our school. Late applications are only processed after the first allocation of places to on-time applicants on 17 April 2023. It would be fantastic if we could achieve **100% of 'on-time' applications**, by the deadline of **15 January 2023**. Online applications can be made on all devices including mobile phones and tablets. For further information, please see that attached 'Starting School in Hounslow' flyer.

Internet Safety

With the development of digital technology, children are spending increasingly more time online. While the online environment offers many recreational, educational, and social opportunities for children, it also presents many online risks and dangers. Each week we will be sending out a parent factsheet about the different apps that children could be potentially using.

Please see attached parent factsheet for this week.

Parking

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

Also please remember parking on double yellow lines is **NOT** permitted at any time.

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

Hot Chocolate

Please see attached picture of this week's 'Hot Chocolate with Mrs Dokal'.

Scooters/Bikes

We would like to remind you that if your child rides a scooter or bike to school, you must park it under the bike sheds, near the main school entrance.

Wherever possible please keep them locked too.

These should only be left here for the duration of the school day.

Please **DO NOT** leave anything overnight or over the weekend as this would be left at your own risk.

We appreciate your support with this greatly!

After School Club Collection

Our school office closes 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 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 call 07814 021729. This will only be necessary 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 £4 per session and includes a healthy breakfast. You can bring them to Early Birds from 8am onwards.

Changes to Drop off and Collection

Reception to Year 6 START 8:45am Please see below for full details:

Entrance Gate & Doors will open at 8:35am for 8:45am registration every day.

Children will be dropped off and collected from the following doors daily:

Reception - (Reception class entrance doors). Main Pupil Entrance Gate

Year 6– Main Pupil Entrance Gate

Year 5 – Main Pupil Entrance Gate

Year 4– Main Pupil Entrance Gate

Year 3 – External Small Hall Doors (door closest to the school office)

Year 2 – External Main Hall Doors (middle set of hall doors)

Year 1 – External Main Hall Doors (door closest to car park gate)

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 £6 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, 5 and 6 (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 if applicable.

Please kindly book your meal option even if your child receives a free school meal (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2).

Have a lovely weekend!