

Dear Parent/Carer

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

Pyjama Day for Children in Need

We would like to thank all our pupils and staff who came dressed in their pyjamas in observance of BBC's 'Children in Need'.

We would also like to thank you for your kind donations, we have raised a grand total of **£193.40** which will go towards helping disadvantaged children across the UK.

There is still time to send in your donations, please drop in the school office on Monday and we will add them to the amount raised so far.

Afternoon Tea with Edison Friends

Thank you to 'Edison Friends' for hosting their first 'Afternoon Tea' today, which was very successful indeed!



It was great to see so many parents who want to get involved in ensuring that our children have their best possible experience whilst attending Edison, and helping us to provide items over and above what we can achieve with our school budget alone.

We hope you are able to join the Friends for their regular Friday meetings - even if you cannot attend every single week they will be very pleased to see you!

Staffing Changes

We would like to notify parents of some staff changes. We are very sorry to be saying goodbye to Mr Scarrott, our Site Manager, on Wednesday 30 November and to Ms Humphry in the School Office on Friday 25 November.

Mr Scarrott has been with us since September 2019, and we are thankful for his diligence, commitment and hard work over the last three years.

Ms Humphry joined the school in January 2022, and we have been grateful for her kind manner and engagement with parents whilst managing our busy front of house services.

Their successors have been appointed, and we will provide you with further details in our next update.

We are sure you will join us in wishing both Mr Scarrott and Ms Humphry all the best for their future careers – we will miss them very much!

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.

'Let's Leap' Holiday Club

Let's Leap are supporting pupil premium families this Christmas with funded places in their camp.

Please see attached flyers for full details and how to book your child/children a place.

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 the attached picture of this weeks winners for 'Hot Chocolate with Mrs Dokal'

Picture News

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

Polite Reminders

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 £2.45 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!