Dear Parents,

It was so amazing to see all the children in their Halloween outfits and home clothes today! The children have had a fun packed day, I'm sure they will come home and share all their excitement with you.

Please find attached our end of half term newsletter, if you would like a paper copy please collect one from the school office. please read all the important dates and events that are featured in it.

#### **Half Term Activities**

Please see below link for half term activities that are happening in the borough.

https://fsd.hounslow.gov.uk/SynergyWeb/activities October half term.aspx

#### **Edison Twitter Account**

We are delighted to inform you that we now have an Edison Twitter account. Do follow us @Edison Primary for regular updates and information.

# **Pupil Vacancies at Edison Primary**

We currently have spaces for children in Years 1, 3 & 4.

If you know somebody who is looking for a school place for their child in any of the above year groups, and they would like to apply to Edison Primary School, please ask them to contact London Borough of Hounslow School Admissions by visiting: <a href="mailto:ln-year admissions">ln-year admissions</a> <a href="mailto:ln-year admissio

We look forward to welcoming them to Edison Primary School!

#### 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.

## School Lunch Bookings on Scopay

We would like to remind you about our procedure for booking lunches for your child/children.

Thank you in advance to all those parents who have been booking their child's lunches and ensuring that this provision for the children runs smoothly.

Please can we make a humble request to ALL parents to complete this for their child/children too.

Every parent needs to log in to Scopay and book their child's meal choices for the week or term.

Reception, Year 1 and 2 children are entitled to receive free school meals so there will be no costs incurred in your child's Scopay account.

The cost for a school meal is £2.35 per day for all children in Years 3, 4 and 5 (any child/children that are on Pupil Premium will be exempt from paying).

Please see attached new lunch menu that will commence after the half term.

Please note that on this new menu you have an alternative meal choice to the meat and vegetarian option. If you require this meal, you will need to book this in yourself as if you do not then the school office will book according to your child's dietary requirement i.e Meat or Veg.

Also due to Diwali there is a special lunch on **Thursday 4th November**, so please refer to the attached special lunch menu when booking for this day.

We have updated the Scopay lunch bookings guide to reflect this change, so please follow this when booking your child/children's lunches for the new term. We thank you in advance for your regular co-operation with this.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

# **School Uniform**

May we kindly remind you to label all your child's belongings such as uniform (including socks, shoes, jumper, coat and tie), P.E kit (including socks and plimsolls), book bags and water bottles. ANY ITEM THAT BELONGS TO YOUR CHILD MUST BE LABELLED. We appreciate your support with this greatly!

#### Birthday Treats at Edison

We would like to remind you that **NO** sugary/sweet treats are allowed! If you would like to provide a treat for your child's birthday, can you please send in either fruit or books for the class/library.

Please check with the school office if you are unsure of what to send in.

We appreciate your support with this greatly!

#### COVID-19 Update

As you may already know that the government guidance has changed regarding close contacts of any positive case.

Close contacts or household members of a positive case are now **exempt** from self isolating if any of the following applies:

They are fully vaccinated

# They're below the age of 18 years and 6 months

They've taken part in or are currently part of an approved COVID-19 vaccine trial They're not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons.

# However please monitor your child's health regularly, if they develop any of the COVID-19 symptoms (see below)

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)

a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual) a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If your child has any of these symptoms, please get a PCR test (test that is sent to a lab) to check if they have coronavirus and they must stay at home until you get their result, even if the symptoms are mild. Please ensure that you also inform the school as soon as possible.

For further information please see the parent information sheet attached.

## Wet Collection End of Day Procedure

Please note that on days that it is raining, collect your child from the same area as the morning drop off.

ONLY the Year 4 children will need to be collected from the Science room doors leading into the playground, you will be able to access this from the main pupil entrance.

#### Half Term Science Activity Holiday Camp

Please see attached flyer advertising an external Science activity holiday camp for the upcoming half term holiday.

Please note that the half term holiday is from Monday 25th October to Monday 1st November 2021.

#### **School Begins**

Pupils return to school on **Tuesday 2nd November**. Breakfast and After School Club will run as normal.

All paid Enrichment Clubs will commence from **Monday 8th November**. Club confirmations have been sent out, if you have not received an email confirming your child's club choice please contact Mrs Avtar in the school office.

# Hot Chocolate with Mrs Dokal

Please find attached this week's hot chocolate picture with the children from Reception to Year 5.

Have a fabulous half term holiday!