Dear Parents,

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

Have You Been To Your Local Library Lately?

In each of the borough's libraries there is a dedicated children's library, which is well stocked with a wide range of interesting and exciting books, CDs, EBooks and DVDs, as well as other online resources. There are also lots of activities, including story times, reading groups, puzzles and holiday activities:

Library Services for Children | Library Services for Children | London Borough of Hounslow

Please do visit your local library to see what is there! Our nearest library is Heston Library, which is situated on New Heston Road, TW5 0LW. Think of all of the fun and resources you could access – you can sign up online at:

Joining your library | Joining your library | London Borough of Hounslow

Maths Number Day - Friday 4th February 2022

• We are having a fun day of maths activities and we will be taking part in **Dress up for Digits**. Pupils are asked to wear an item of clothing with a number on it (football shirt, cap, netball shirt or even a onesie!). Or get even more creative by dressing in a maths or numbers theme.

To help raise money for the NSPCC, we are asking for a suggested donation of ± 2 , and we'd love everyone in the school to dress up and take part.

Please DO NOT send any money into school.

Please see attached flyer full details of how to make your donations.

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.

Last day of Half Term

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

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

Polite Reminders

Please remember that our school hours, and your child's learning time, are 8.45am to 3.45pm. Bringing them in late, or collecting them early, disrupts their education and can cause them to feel unsettled. We request that any appointments are made outside school hours wherever possible. Thank you for your cooperation.

Office Procedures

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.

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.

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 <u>COVID-19 symptoms</u>, 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

Inmost cases, you're <u>not required to self-isolate</u> 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.

Edison Twitter Account

Do follow us @Edison_Primary for regular updates and information.

Wishing you all a fabulous weekend!