

What's in the news at Edison?



World Book Week - March 4th 2021

This year we saw a lockdown World Book Day, when most of the children were learning remotely from home. However many still took part and dressed up for the occasion. Please see the attached section of pictures that were emailed to the school by the parents of those who were at home. Children who were in school also dressed up and took part in a range of activities as well as participating with a virtual author 'Shalini Patel.' The children thoroughly enjoyed this.



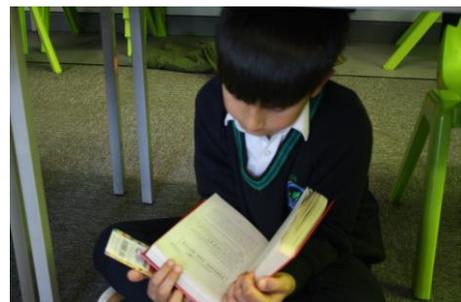
Message from Mrs Dokal

Here we are just over 3 months into 2021, Easter is upon us and it all appears to have gone in a blur. Many thanks to everyone: children, parents and school staff for their efforts during these past few weeks back in school. It has still been a challenge for schools operating under covid measures, but we appreciate everyone's understanding to still follow the recommendations around hand washing, social distancing and wearing masks. The children have thoroughly enjoyed seeing their friends and teachers in person and adapted to school life smoothly.

I wish you a healthy and relaxed Easter break together and look forward to a Summer term of some normality.

Sponsored Reading

We want to say a very big thank you to everyone who supported their children with the sponsored reading competition. The final amount raised was **£616**. As a result of the money raised, the school will receive over £900 worth of books from Usborne. Congratulations to Veer Bij, who raised the most amount of money. He received a £20 book token for his great effort. The sponsored reading competition was a success due to all the tremendous effort from everyone who took part and supported this worthy cause.



Congratulations

Newton – 99.1%

Bell – 97.2% Well done Newton Class!!

Watson – 94.3%

Franklin – 97.5%

Pasteur – 91.7%

Fleming – 91.3%

Curie - 97.2%

Faraday – 96.5%

Carson - 92.1%

Goodall - 93.1%



Outdoor Extra Curricular Clubs with Mr Hitchinson

Clubs will commence after the Easter break from **Monday 26th April 2021 3:45pm -4:45pm**

Please note that these clubs are now FULL!

Reception – Football (Mon) Multisports (Wed)

Year 1 – Football (Mon) Multisports (Wed)

Year 2 – Football (Mon) Multisports (Wed)

Year 3 – Football (Tue) Multisports (Thur)

Year 4 –Football (Tue) Multisports (Thur)

Please ensure you have credited your child's Scopay account with 6 weeks lessons - £30.00

Please ensure that your child comes to school in their PE kit on their club day.

Science Week at Edison Primary

This year we have all enjoyed our Virtual science week! We have been able to watch some interesting and exciting virtual Science presentations focused on inspiring our children to pursue STEM careers. Our incredible Science Ambassadors have taken on their leadership roles by researching and leading discussions based on 'The Big Question'. We have also started to prepare for our new vegetable patch! Each class has planted some cabbage, tomato and spout seeds and our Science Ambassadors will be supporting Mrs Juneja and Mr Hitchinson with planting more seeds directly into the patch.



Reminders

New Term begins **Monday 19th April 2021 at your staggered start times as per usual.**

Breakfast Club will run as normal at 8am and After School Club at 3.45pm-4:45pm

Absence

You must only keep your child off school if they are really unwell due to high temperature, vomiting and sickness! On the day of any absence, please call the School Office by 8.30am.

Please also follow the COVID Government guidelines and adhere to the school's protocols regarding any illness due to the Coronavirus.

If you or your child develops a high temperature, loss of taste and smell or a continuous cough, please ensure you isolate until you take a COVID test. If anyone in your family is tested positive, you must all isolate for 10 days.

Summer Uniform

All clothing should be clearly labelled with your child's name. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct PE kit on their PE day. Also can we remind you that your child does not need to bring in a school bag.

This Term's Learning

Reception – Newton Class

We can't believe it is already time for Easter! What a whirlwind these last few weeks have been. The children were welcomed back to school after many weeks of online learning! Suffice to say, all the children were missed and it was so lovely to see them after so long. They spent the first week back settling in and enjoying some fun workshops for Science week, they even got to see a real Robot! They attended the live Zoom session with our chosen author, learnt about Money in Maths, People who Help us in the Community for English and all about the season of Spring! We dressed up as superheros for Comic relief and our favourite book characters for world book day! Well done Newton class on all your incredible work and kindness you have shown to your friends and teachers. Have a lovely Easter



Reception – Bell Class

It has been a somewhat unusual and challenging term with a combination of remote and school learning. Remote learning consisted of daily zoom lessons and Seesaw activities in English, Maths and Phonics with a blend of art, Science and PSHE lessons. Around 70% children accessed online learning and 20% children attended school. Children had the opportunity to celebrate World book Day by dressing up as their favourite book character and were also lucky enough to have the author, Serena Patel lead a remote workshop to promote her books. She was so impressed by our pupils and the well-thought out and perceptive questions that they asked. We really appreciate parental involvement considering how difficult it was for them to juggle everything when learning at home and we value all their efforts and achievements. The children have been equally cooperative and enthusiastic about this new approach to learning.



Year 1 – Watson Class

This term, in National Science Week, Watson class has been investigating the properties of materials by carrying out different experiments. We also learnt about Jane Goodall and how she observed and investigated the chimpanzees in Africa.

In English, Watson class has been learning about the differences between Fiction and Non-Fiction books and identifying their features.



Year 1 – Franklin Class

This term Franklin were involved in science week. We took part in an investigation involving milk, food colouring and washing up liquid. The children had to predict what would happen if all the ingredients were mixed together. Can you guess what Happens?



Year 2 – Pasteur Class

Pasteur class have really enjoyed reading stories as a class and this was expressed during world book day. The children were eager to learn and were keen to get involved with discussions and ask questions. In particular, they expressed their interest when the author Serena Patel virtually visited them. They learnt about her life, her books and why she chose to become an author.



Year 2 – Fleming Class

We have had so much fun celebrating World Book Day! We created and designed our own animal themed bookmarks and we are using them for when we read books. It was great to hear from a real author and this inspired us to want to write our own books.



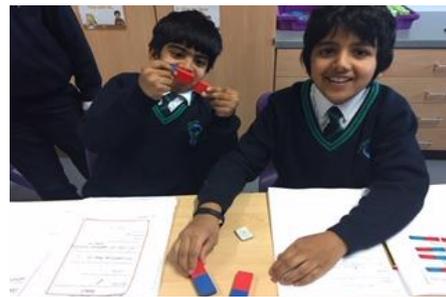
Year 3 – Curie Class

It has been great seeing all the children back at school! Curie class have all settled in very well and have been eager to learn. We have been learning about units of measure, angles and area and perimeter in Maths. In English, we have been reading Charlie and the Chocolate factory, writing diary entries and newspaper reports and in Science we have been learning about forces and magnets! As well as all of this, we have been discussing the importance of mental health and well-being. We have talked about the importance of self-care and discussed strategies on how to achieve this.



Year 3 – Faraday Class

This term Faraday has been learning all about forces and magnets and how they play a part in our lives. In topic, we have been learning all about fair-trade and how we can help farmers all over by buying fair trade products. In English, we have been reading and watching Charlie and the Chocolate factory. Everyone has really enjoyed this book and the children have produced some really amazing writing pieces. In math, we have been looking at units of measure and have started learning all about shapes and area. We have also been completing the daily mile daily to keep our minds and bodies healthy. Overall, we have had a very enjoyable term. I hope everyone has a lovely break.



World Book Day dress up during Lockdown - Reception to Year 4







Many thanks to all the parents that emailed their world book day pictures with us!

Year 4 – Goodall Class

Goodall class has had scintillating experiences since getting back to school this half-term. We have completed a plethora of science investigations this half-term based on our topic 'States of Matter' investigating how different states of matter behave. In topic, we have been learning about our local area in our unit 'Heart of Hounslow'. We have had rich discussions on why people move to certain areas and why/how having Heathrow nearby impacts us. Our focus in R.E. has been to learn about 'Forgiveness' which focused on teachings of Jesus to forgive others and worked well with our PSHE unit on 'Friendships'. Student well-being has been at the heart of our learning this half-term. We wrote Haikus, diary entries and created artwork to express our feelings about the lockdown.

Our science experiences have been enriched through lots of science discussions during the Science week and zoom workshop with a marine biologist. We learnt a lot about why/how plastic pollution is impacting us and what we need to further do to secure our future. Our science ambassadors, along with the help of others, have planted seeds for the new addition to our school ground: The Vegetable Patch. We also consolidated our learning of Science at the end of the unit by playing an Escape Room activity, which was riveting. Additionally, we took part in 'Wander in the Woods' story writing competitions and 23 pupils from Goodall class have been selected to have their stories published in a book. Finally, we look forward to a bright and sunny Summer term bringing much needed sunshine to everyone's lives.



Year 4 – Carson Class

Carson class has had another delightful term with a range of fun-filled activities. In Science we have been learning all about the different states of matter and went from conducting investigations on zoom to conducting our very own in the classroom. We were also lucky enough to have a zoom workshop with a marine biologist! The children learnt lots of information about plastic pollution and how we can help our planet by reusing and recycling objects. We also dressed up as our favourite superheroes to raise money for comic relief! Not only was it a fantastic cause, but the children were also able to write their own comics which starred their own hero, which was a wonderful success. During English, the children have been incredibly engaged in reading Varjak Paw; whilst also creating some wonderful pieces of writing; including a diary entry and persuasive letter, based on story. They cannot wait to find out what happens next... The children also took part in the Young Writers competition; of which 22 of the children will now have their books published in a book! Carson has had a very busy and rewarding half-term and we are looking forward to lots of outdoor learning when we return.



COVID REMINDERS

May we remind you the importance of checking your child's health at home every day or any other member in your household.

Please continue to follow the guidelines below if you or anyone in the family presents with Covid 19 symptoms.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Please note that should any child become ill during the school week and test positive for COVID 19 it is essential that you email the school as soon as possible so that we can inform and prepare isolation for the appropriate Year group.

We will also continue to monitor our emails over the weekend too and should we be informed of a positive case we will use track and trace to contact the relevant year group to self-isolate, in this case remote learning will be taken into effect immediately.

