

## What's in the news at Edison?



### SCIENCE AMBASSADORS

This half term has been great! We have our new science ambassadors/ eco warriors chosen for each KS2 class and they have already attended their first meeting! It was an absolute pleasure meeting them all. We discussed our targets for the year and thought of ways in which we can continue to develop science at our school! They have completed a pupil questionnaire and will be delivering feedback to the science subject leader in their next meeting. As each class has moved into their new year group, they learnt more about their class scientists. We have some exciting, informative displays in our hallways highlighting the inspirational work of each scientist. On Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September, we celebrated world heart day and learnt that a healthy heart is central to overall good health. Embracing a healthy lifestyle at any age can prevent you getting sick. On 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> September, it was national fitness day and everyone took part in a fast paced, heart raising dance class! The children were able to discuss why it is so important to stay fit and how it can contribute to a healthy body and mind.



### Message from Mrs Dokal

It feels like the first half term of 2021 has flown by and I have been so impressed with the children on their return to school.

Our Reception children and staff have settled in well to life at Edison. Attitudes and behaviours across the school have been positive and set the tone for great learning. I have thoroughly enjoyed my Hot Chocolate Friday's. It's an opportunity to spend time with children who have made specific achievements, have demonstrated our over and above values, and those who get on quietly but don't always get the recognition they deserve.

I hope you all have a good rest and safe holiday. I look forward to seeing in November!

### Mini-Marathon at Edison Primary

This week the children took part in their very own mini marathon. 12 laps of the whole school playground equating to 1 mile. The run was split across 3 days for the children. It was brilliant for the children to experience what it would be like to run in a marathon on a smaller scale.

To complete the actual distance 26.2 miles of the London marathon children would have had to run around the whole playground 314.5 times.

The children did brilliantly to do their 2.6 miles. We look forward to signing up to more sports initiatives to give children a taste of a number of different sporting events.

## Congratulations

These Term's Attendance winners are:

Newton – 97.3%  
Bell – 99.1%  
Watson – 92.3%  
Franklin – 94.3%  
Pasteur – 95.1%  
Fleming – 94%  
Curie - 95%  
Faraday – 95%  
Carson - 96%  
Goodall - 93.8%  
Armstrong – 94.5%  
Jemison - 95%

**Well done Bell Class!!**



## 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: [In-year admissions | London Borough of Hounslow](#) or by emailing: [admissions@hounslow.gov.uk](mailto:admissions@hounslow.gov.uk) or telephoning: 020 8583 2721 / 2711

We look forward to welcoming them to Edison Primary School!

## Mr Scarrott's New Premises Assistants

The school premises assistants are two girls from year Five (Simi Rao and Jeevika Matta) together with other helpers, they came up with some great ideas to look after the school building. They have been checking walls for pen marks and making sure locks are on the toilet doors. The girls said they will be my eyes and will report back to me with any findings!! We will have weekly meetings to discuss issues or any new ideas they may have. I can see my new premises assistants are proud of Edison and are willing to use some of their break time to help out to influence and educate other children make a positive impact around the school. Regards Mr Scarrott, Site Manager.



## GOLD STARS AWARD

We are proud to announce we have now achieved the Gold Stars Accreditation. Edison are among the top 10% of London schools, setting high standards to inspire others to transform travel habits, fully engage the wider community to promote best practices, and see a measurable reduction in the number of journeys made by car every day. I hope we can maintain this position and continue to improve the traffic congestion in our local area by making healthier journey choices.

## Reminders

New Term begins **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 at 8:45am (Gates open 8.35am – 8.45am daily)**

Breakfast Club will run as normal at 8am and After School Club at 3.45pm-5:45pm

### 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.**

### Autumn 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

What a busy half term! We have had so much fun settling into school and have done a lot of learning.

In Maths we have been learning about patterns and 2D shapes and seeing where we can see these things in our environment by going on a shape hunt in our outdoor area.

We have been reading "We're going on a bear hunt" in Literacy and have been acting out the story - we were all very brave! Then, in Science we went on an Autumn walk with our teacher and Mrs Gipson, who showed us how the weather and our surroundings have changed as it is getting colder. We are looking forward to our half term and the fun activities planned in the lead up to Christmas!



### Year 1

Year one have thoroughly enjoyed getting involved with cooking. They have been making delicious pizza! They loved working with their friends and celebrating all that they achieved. This was a great cross curricula link, as they were able to link the learning to instructional writing in English lessons and growing plants in science. The children were able to identify some ingredients that have come from plants, such as tomatoes, basil, sweetcorn and wheat.

Children have enjoyed visiting the vegetable patch at Edison. They were able to identify the plants and vegetables being planted. They worked with their friends to sketch different plants and identify the features.





### A Sad Goodbye to Miss Kaur

Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to Miss Kaur at half term. We would like to thank her for all her hard work and dedication whilst at Edison Primary. We wish her all the very best for the future from all the children, Staff, Governors and Parents.

### Best Wishes to Mrs Juneja

Also we would like to wish Mrs Juneja all the very best as she will be on Maternity leave after half term to have her baby. Mrs Hamdani will be covering her class from the new term.



### Football

For the first time ever we entered our Year 5 football team into a tournament. The boys played amazingly well but unfortunately did not come away victorious. The tournament was for Year 6 children so the boys were up against it, but throughout showed amazing effort and courage to keep trying and pushing. The whole school is very proud of the boys representing us so brilliantly. We have really high hopes for future tournaments. Next week some of our girls have been selected to take part in a football festival at Springwell School. This will again be the first time that we have sent a girls' team to an event and are really looking forward to seeing how much the girls enjoyed the Festival.

Also we would like to take this opportunity to ask people about a potential sponsorship for the school teams. We will be looking to enter future events and tournaments as much as possible. With this in mind, we would love to have the children who are representing us to have an official Edison Primary kit to wear while taking part in these events. If you know anyone or any local businesses who would be interested in sponsoring us please contact: [ithorburn@edisonprimary.org](mailto:ithorburn@edisonprimary.org)



### Paid Enrichment Clubs

Clubs will recommence after the Half Term from

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021 3:45pm -4:45pm**

**Please note that these clubs are now FULL!**

If your child has received a confirmation email for their club choice, please ensure that you have topped up their Scopay account with at least £30 which is 6 weeks' lessons. For enquiries email the school office.

#### Paid Enrichment Clubs at Edison Primary School

All Enrichment Clubs cost £5.00 per week and are run on the following days:

Please note that clubs will be given on a first come first serve basis.

If you would like your child to attend any of the below clubs, please inform the school office by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

Club confirmations will be emailed by Thursday 21st October 2021. All Clubs will commence week beginning Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021



Club:	Indian Dance	Football/Multi-sports	Street Dance
Time:	3:45pm -4:45pm	3:45pm - 4:45pm	3:45pm-4:45pm
Name:	Mrs Sood	Mr Hitchinson & Staff	Miss Grant
Club Running On:	Monday – Years 1,2 Tuesday – Years 3,4,5	Monday – Years 3, 4, 5 (Football) Tuesday – Years 1, 2 (Football) Wednesday – Years 1, 2 (Multi-sports) Thursday – Years 3, 4, 5 (Multi-sports)	Wednesday – Years 3, 4
Takes Place:	To be confirmed	Outside playground Wet Plan – Main/Small Hall	To be confirmed

**Please also ensure that your child comes to school in their PE kit if they are in Football or Multi-sports club.**

### Upcoming Dates for the Diary:

#### First Day of Term

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021

#### Diwali Special Lunch

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2021

#### Reception Parent Teacher Consultations

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> & Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 4pm to 6pm.

#### Paid Enrichment Clubs Commence

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Parents please ensure that you have topped your child's Scopay account up with 6 weeks' lessons in advance.

#### Children in Need

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Children can come to school in their Pyjamas to raise money for this great cause.

### Year 5



The last 8 weeks have zoomed past and we have loved every minute of it! It has been amazing to have all of the children back in the building! Year 5 have been excellent role-models for the younger year groups. It has been a busy yet delightful term filled with new learning, creative lessons, virtual visits, sporting events and engaging workshops.



We were lucky to have the spectacular space dome land in our school. The children were able to learn more about rocket launches, galaxies and the wonders of space. This inspired us to design, create and launch our very own rockets. We mixed bicarbonate of soda and white vinegar to ignite and launch our rockets into Space!

In sports, our children made us very proud as they represented Edison in two events at Springwell School. This is the first time year 5 have been able to compete in upper key stage 2 sporting events. The football tournament for the boys was a success as they learned to work well as a team. A week later, the girls had



a chance to shine too as they attended the Hounslow football festival. It was delightful to see our girls shine in confidence as they completed different football events. This confidence transpired to the cohort as they aspire to compete in future events which has led Mr Hitchinson to run daily sports clubs during lunchtime to motivate

and train them.

We were overjoyed when the police agreed to come into school to teach our children about Youth Crime. PC Adam was very informative and honest with the children in his workshop. Year 5 showed a great level of maturity during their sessions asking inquisitive questions to further their understanding.



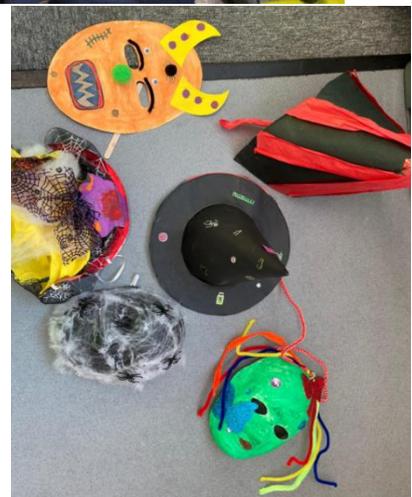
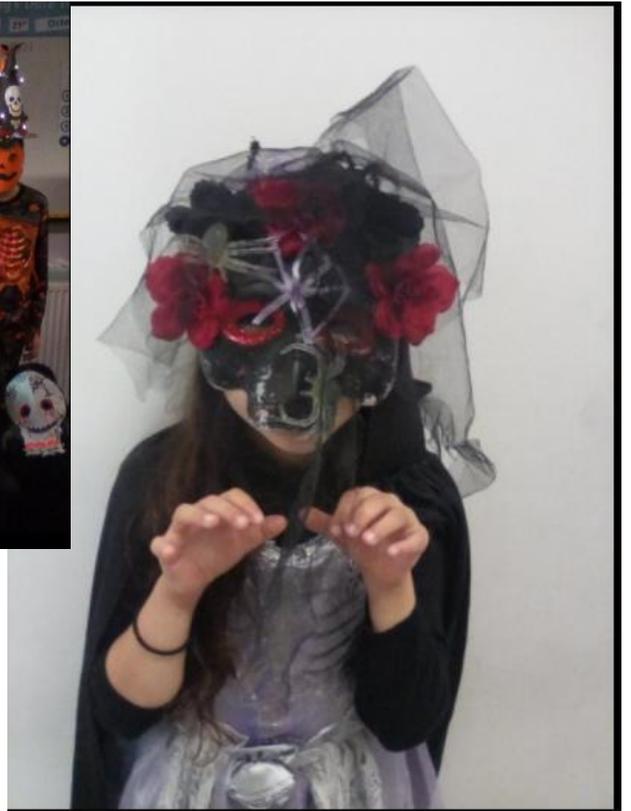
The children were so excited to select and order their new reading corner books. This has led to increase in engagement as all children are seeking to become Reading millionaires! The children also used their ideas from their topic work and Science to create wonderful pieces of writing during our English lessons. We are so proud of our year 5s and we cannot wait to see the wonderful work they produce in the upcoming terms!

## HALLOWEEN HATS AND FACEMASKS

Here are some pictures of the amazing  
Face masks and hats that were made!



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## Year 2

This half term has been great! The pupils have settled in well and are back into the swing of school life. In Science the children have been learning about animals and their habitats. We have discussed how animals are adapted to their environment and why we are all suited to our habitat. In English, we have focused on the twisted fiction book 'The three little wolves and the big bad pig' and the non-fiction text 'What a waste'. The children have understood the importance of reducing, reusing and recycling waste to help prevent climate change and have shown passionate interests in how they will start making positive changes. In Maths we have been focusing on number and place value and we will be working on addition and subtraction after half term. Keep up the great work year 2, we hope you have a lovely h



## Year 3

Happy first half term! We are delighted with the way our Year Threes have settled into their learning. Our term has been filled with exciting learning opportunities from boarding an aeroplane to Trinidad and Tobago to food tasting tropical fruits! We enjoyed celebrating National Poetry Day and focused on a poem about the importance of recycling. We were so inspired that we wrote our own poems and shared them to the class! We looked at functions of a plant in Science and dissected a plant in an investigation! We took part in a recycling project and produced a water bottle fish using recycled materials. We also took part in well-being activities to support our mental health. We hope you all have a spectacular Half Term and look forward to seeing you all in our new term.



## Year 4

Year 4 have had a very scintillating experience settling in their classes and getting to know the teaching staff and using Kagan cooperative learning to have a more immersive educational experience. This half-term, our main topic was 'The Story of Water' which will continue into Autumn 2. Children have been reading 'One Plastic Bag' which links well with other topics. In conjunction with this book, children upcycled the plastic bags to create a range of items such as flowers and collages. In addition, linked with 'The Recycling Week' we made plastic planters. We also celebrated The National Poetry Day linked with our topic, giving a message about environmental change. Children did a brilliant choral recital of the poem.

We have also observed the National Heart Day, Dyslexia Week and Mental Health Awareness Day, discussing the importance of each one. We were also fortunate enough to have taken part in a Pedestrian Training workshop, learning about road safety and properly crossing the road. In addition, we had a workshop on Climate Change with the Geobus, where children had a good experience of using 3D glasses and observing how the world is changing. We also took part in the Virgin Mini Marathon running a total of 2.6 miles. We were also visited by Mrs Grant for an uplifting session in observance of National Fitness Day.

In Science, we have been learning about different states of matter and have been busy conducting observations and experiments. We had a great time planning a fair test and carrying out observations related to how ice melts. We believe that promoting such child-led experiences is what sets our school apart and follows our school ethos. Finally, we have also been focusing on class building and teambuilding as part of our daily learning.



### **COVID 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.