

## What's in the news at Edison?



### Sports Day

We held our annual Sports Day for all Year Groups spread across their P.E sessions. It was an amazing time with all children fully embracing the different activities. All children could earn points for their houses towards the end of Year House point totals.

The events that children competed in were: Sprint Race, Bean Bag Target Throw, Basketball Hoop Shot, Penalty Shoot Out, Egg and Spoon, Three Leg Race and Javelin.

The winning house for the Sports Day will be announced to children next week along with the house point winners.

Also a huge thank you to all staff who took part and our inspirational Year 4 PE Ambassadors and House point monitors for helping children with all of the activities and totalling the points.



### Message from Mrs Dokal

I wish to thank you all for the support that you have given to the school over this last year. It has been a very difficult year for the whole community and we are grateful for the understanding and co-operation that you have shown to the school as we have navigated our way through the challenges that we have faced. Everyone connected with the school has had to adapt and cope with changes such as virtual meetings and blended learning and I wish to thank all of my staff, Governors, pupils and parents for your perseverance and resilience during this time. The children have been a true credit to all parents, carers and the community. I am so proud of them all and how we continue to work together to get through the ups and downs of this global pandemic. Finally, I would like to wish you all a fantastic (hopefully sunny) summer. Please remember to take care and stay safe and I look forward to seeing the children fully refreshed on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

### SPORT'S DAY FUN!!!!



## Congratulations

These Term's Attendance winners are:

Newton – 95.5%  
Bell – 97.3%  
Watson – 95.9%  
Franklin – 95.4%  
Pasteur – 94.3%  
Fleming – 97.3%  
**Curie - 97.4%**  
Faraday – 96.4%  
Carson - 96.3%  
Goodall - 94.6%

**Well done Curie Class!!**



## Circus Day at Edison!

This year a circus skills workshop was organised for all the children on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July. The children all were involved with a variety of circus skills which they thoroughly enjoyed. Each year group took part in some fun and exciting circus skills activities.



## Edison Allotment

We have installed an allotment plot in the school grounds for the children to grow their own fruit and veg. The children have been working with us to help tend and nurture the garden.

We have just picked a huge crop of potatoes. As you can see from the photos the children are doing an amazing job and the garden is thriving.

We have grown a range of vegetables including: Potatoes, radish, spring onions, carrots, onions, beetroot, tomatoes, pumpkin, green beans, corn, cabbage and sprouts. The freshly grown produce was taken to our school kitchen this week where the cook made a delicious potato salad for the pupil councillors to try!



## Reminders

New Term begins **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021 (Years 1 to Year 5)**

Breakfast Club will start at 8am, After School Club will run for two hours from 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 current COVID Government guidelines and adhere to the school's protocols regarding any illness due to the Coronavirus.**

### 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.

## This Term's Learning

### Reception – Newton Class

What a lovely end to the term! Newton class have been very busy this half term with all of their learning. We have learned all about fairy tales in our literacy classes, and done lots of sums in our maths. We have enjoyed the improvements in the weather and so have been doing many fun activities outside, including our school trip to Bocketts Farm and the sports day (where the teachers had to demonstrate!). We are all looking forward to having a fun summer and starting our new year in Year 1!



### Reception – Bell Class

The summer term for Bell Class has been a successful and eventful one. This term Reception children took part in a number of events such as a sponsored charity walk for Race for Life and a circus skills workshop. For Science, we had the opportunity to take part in an exciting Sublime Science Workshop where we made our very own colourful slime! The highlight of the year was receiving the Science mark award and Crest Star Award badges. We recently visited Bocketts Farm where we had lots of fun stroking and feeding various animals and experiencing a bumpy but thrilling tractor ride! This week we all took part in our much awaited Sports Day where we visited various stations for different activities. It has been a wonderful year and we are now ready for Year 1 as we go higher to learn, achieve and inspire!



### Year 1 – Watson Class

Watson class had great fun learning about Mozart and Andrew Lloyd Webber's music in Topic. They learnt about tempo and rhythm playing as a class orchestra, and the different groups of instruments.

The children developed fantastic circus skills through a hands-on session.



### Year 1 – Franklin Class

Year 1 was involved in a workshop called Circus for schools. The children had an amazing time experimenting with different equipment. The children all had lots of fun working with a partner and some teachers also took part. The children organised themselves to rotate through all the activities that were set out for them.



### Year 2 – Pasteur Class

Pasteur class thoroughly enjoyed their adventure to ZSL London zoo. The children were given the chance to explore animals and enjoy being with their friends. This gave them the opportunity to socialise and gain new knowledge about animals in their habitats and their daily behaviours, diet and routines. It was amazing for the teachers to interact with the children and build on their independence.



### Year 2 – Fleming Class

This has been an incredible term of learning for Fleming Class! I am so impressed with how hard the children have worked and the amazing writing they have produced about animals in the Zoo. Our favourite memory of this term is attending the Science Workshop where we chose to make slime. We were able to stretch, squeeze and bend it to make different shapes. It was so exciting to watch how to make slime and the process of how the liquid mixture starts to thicken. Thank you Fleming Class for being FANTASTIC and for your excellent learning this year.



### Year 3 – Curie Class

This half term has been very exciting in Curie Class! Year 3's focus book in English was 'Pebble in my Pocket'. The children have written a range of different poems and thoroughly enjoyed writing haikus. This focus book linked well with our science topic: Rock Detectives. The children have carried out a range of various science investigations and experiments using magnifying glasses and microscopes. The children had a workshop with a Marine Biologist who taught them all about Mary Anning- a palaeontologist (fossil hunter) from the Victorian period. The children have created amazing science posters and fact files based on rocks and fossils. In science, the children all took part in a Starburst experiment where the starbursts represented igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks. In maths, the children have been learning all about perpendicular and parallel lines, angles, time and have revised topics that were taught throughout Year 3 to secure their understanding further. All children were challenged with Maths Mastery questions and were asked to create their own multiplication and division word problems. In topic, pupils have been learning all about The Stone Age to the Iron Age. We discussed how people in the Stone Age lived and how they survived. We made a replica of Stonehenge using bourbon biscuits!



### Year 3 – Faraday Class

Faraday class has had a fun summer term. This term we have learnt all about rocks and fossils. We have done many experiments with rocks and even used Starburst sweets to learn about how different types of rocks and how they are formed. We also made our own shell fossils using plaster of paris. A marine biologist gave us an informative talk on Mary Anning, who she was and what she did. We took part in the Race for Life and everyone completed it. The whole school raised over £1000 for cancer research. Faraday class really loved topic this term as we learnt about Skarae Brae and Stonehenge. In English, we looked at the book Pebble in my Pocket as well as Ug and learned about how people lived in the Stone Age. For sports day everyone took part in a three-legged race, an egg and spoon race and even a penalty shoot-out. Faraday class really enjoyed getting to learn some new circus tricks and create their own routine. Finally, we had a great day out on our school trip to the Wetlands Centre the learners really enjoyed seeing the otters and learning all about different types of animals.



### Year 4 – Goodall Class

What an outstanding way to end the year with a bang! With Covid-19 measures relaxed, Goodall class was amazed to have gone to Go Ape for an adventure. We worked on teambuilding in Gorilla games and monkeyed around on the high nets. In class, we have been fully immersed in The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane; children have produced work of a very high standard. We have written narratives, reports, poems and play scripts etc. to show off our learning from this year. We have also had a great time conducting a plethora of observations in our current topic- Sounds!

In addition, we were visited by a representative from Glaxo Smith Kline who showed us how a 3D printer works and all the children got to create their own visor to take home. We have also made brooches - out of clay and stone - related to our topic on Anglo Saxons. In addition to that, we also learnt a lot of other facts about Anglo Saxons such as where they came from, their religion, houses food, and language etc.

In art, we learnt and created Ben Day dots portraits. We also created our 'Year in a bottle' artwork and did free hand paintings using Indian spices. Lastly, we wrote letters to future Year 4s giving them advice on next year and what to expect. We also wrote letters to our new teacher, telling her more about us.

We have had a magnificent time in Year 4. A special message from me is for all of you to have a great summer and soak up plenty of sunshine and stay hydrated. I'll miss all my lovely dragons next year!



### Year 4 – Carson Class

Wow! What an eventful last half term of the year it has been for Carson Class. We began this term with a memorable trip to Go Ape which all of the children thoroughly enjoyed. Not only were the children able to enjoy their time on the Nets Adventure, they were able to improve their teambuilding skills through Gorilla Games. In English, the children have also immersed themselves into the story of the Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane; diving into the character's story of personal growth through emotive pieces of writing. The children have also had a lovely time creating string instruments whilst investing sound during Science. In addition to this, Carson class were thrilled to be recreating their names in runes during our Anglo Saxons topic in History, some children even writing their own riddles! The children (and teachers) enjoyed competing during Sports Day; completing an array of activities to win points for their houses. The children deserve a long break after all of their hard work, investigations and outdoor learning that they have completed this year. Well done Carson!



### Changes to the school drop off and pick up

Please note that due to changes to the COVID restrictions our school will now be able to open at their normal operating times. **WHOLE SCHOOL START 8:45am** Please see below for full details:

**YEARS 1 to 5 children start the new term on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021**

**Entrance Gate & Doors will open at 8:35am for a 8:45am registration every day.**

**All children will finish at 3:45pm and will be collected from the same doors.**

Reception – External Reception Class Doors (Please refer to the staggered start and finish times for Reception).

Year 2 – Main Pupil Entrance Gate

Year 4 – Main Pupil Entrance Gate

Year 1 – External Main Hall Doors (nearside doors to main school office)

Year 3 – External Main Hall Doors (far side doors from visitor car park gate)

Year 5 – External Small Hall Doors