

## **Edison Garden Vegetable Patch**

We pulled our last crop from our vegetable garden for the year. In the picture below you can see some of our sprouts, golden purple carrots and beetroot.

The vegetable patch has now been covered over for the winter and we look forward to starting our planting again in the Spring.

It has been a tremendous success this year with many home-grown organic vegetables being produced, and the children have thoroughly enjoyed seeing the produce.



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# Message from Mrs Dokal

As we approach the end of another term and year, it is always a good time to look back as well as forward. Pupils returned after the half term break with a real zest for learning and I want to praise them for the way they have continued to impress us all. I also have to thank my incredible staff who have been simply amazing. Their resilience has been inspirational. COVID-19 continues to present us with many challenges and keeps us on our toes. Please enjoy reading about all the activities that have gone on in school this academic year. Wishing you and your family and safe and happy Christmas.

# **Football Tournament**

Our Year 5 boys entered our second football tournament on Wednesday 24th November. The boys played other local schools who all sent Year 6 teams. They played amazingly well, winning two games and drawing a game in the group stage, which made them finish top of the group undefeated. We made it all the way to the quarterfinals!

Everyone at Edison is extremely proud of the boys' improvement in such a short space of time. We look forward to entering our next tournament and, after more training, seeing how much further they progress.

# Congratulations

This term's attendance winners are:

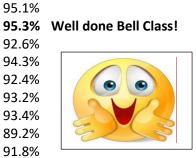
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Newton Bell Watson Franklin Pasteur Fleming Curie Faraday Carson Goodall Armstrong Jemison



# Multi-Sports/Football with Mr Hitchinson

Look at our children celebrating with their medals earned through football and multi sports clubs! They have all done really well, listening and applying themselves every week to achieve great outcomes to the sessions.







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#### **Pupil Vacancies at Edison**

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We currently have spaces for children in Years 1, 3 and 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: <u>In-year admissions</u> <u>London Borough of Hounslow</u> or by emailing: <u>admissions@hounslow.gov.uk</u> or telephoning: 020 8583 2721 / 2711

We look forward to welcoming them to Edison Primary School!

#### **Polite Reminders**

#### 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 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!

#### Wet Collection End of Day Procedure

On days that it is raining, please collect your child from the same area as the morning drop off.

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



# Edison Friends' Competition Winners!

























# **This Term's Learning**

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# Reception

What a busy half term! We have had so much fun and have done a lot of learning. In Maths, we have been learning about numbers and have been hard at work practicing writing our number bonds to 5 in number sentences. We have been reading lots of books about winter in Literacy. Newton's favourite was the Great Explorer where we learnt about the North Pole! Bell's favourite was the Jolly Christmas Postman where the Jolly Postman is delivering greetings to various fairy-tale characters. Then, in science we got to go to the science room Mrs Gipson, who showed us some fun activities with ice. We also decorated some pine cones to make mini Christmas trees! Reception then did a fantastic Christmas production, and we are looking forward to Santa coming soon! Thank you to all of our parents for their support.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a very happy 2022.







#### COVID-19 Update

As you may already be aware, the Government recently reintroduced mandatory face covering in shops and on public transport.

This is due to the growing concern about the rise in cases of the new COVID -19 variant Omicron.

We have therefore updated our risk assessment and to help prevent the spread any further, we **highly recommend** that:

- All parents and carers should wear face masks whilst on site, when dropping and picking up their child/children from school.
- Where possible can we request that only one parent to drop and pick up their child/children.
- Mass gatherings at the school will not take place at present.
- Please continue to maintain a safe distance in overcrowded areas and swiftly leave the school site.
- Remote meetings will continue via zoom for parents that would like to speak to the class teacher. Alternatively contact the class teacher via Seesaw.
- Parents and carers should limit their visit to the school office. Please kindly email or call the office with any queries or concerns.

#### 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 request ALL parents complete this for their child/children. Every parent needs to log in to ScoPay and book their child's meal choices for the week or term. Please kindly note that this needs to be completed eight days in advance, for example lunches for week commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2022 need to be booked by Sunday 26th December 2021.

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 the new lunch menu that has been attached in the weekly email on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December.

PLEASE NOTE THAT REQUESTS FOR CHANGES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED AFTER THE DEADLINE DATE HAS PASSED.

#### **Paid Enrichment Clubs**

Clubs will recommence after the Half Term from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022 3:45pm to 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 (six 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 day				

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

f you would like your child to attend any of the below clubs, please inform the school office by Friday 15th October 2021	

Club confirmations will be emailed by Thursday 21st October 2021 ALL Clubs will commence week beginning Monday 8th November

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.

<b>Edison Friends</b>					
<b>Christmas Card</b>					
<b>Competition Winners</b>					
Bell	Chiranvi				
Newton	Leon				
Franklin	Sarrinah				
Watson	Samaira				
Fleming	Nadia				
Pasteur	Jacob				
Curie	Kartar				
Faraday	Emaan				
Carson	Krrish S				
Goodall	Devan				
Jemison	Dylan R				
Armstrong	Dylan T				

Many congratulations to all the competition winners! Well done to all that participated. Please see the pictures of the children with their winning entries.

It is hard to believe the year is nearly over, but we have loved every minute of it! It has been a busy yet delightful term filled with new learning, workshops, cress investigations, flower dissections, sporting events and Christmas production preparations!

In a football tournament at Springwell School, our boys' football team made us very proud as they represented Edison and made it to the quarter finals. The girls and boys

have been training very hard during Monday lunchtimes and have refined their football skills. We can't wait to compete in more events!

We were overjoyed when the police agreed to come into school for a second time to teach our children about internet safety. PC Adam and PC Matthew were 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 have another workshop with the Geobus and learn about climate change. It was amazing to see 3D images of different landscapes on Earth. They also had engaging science lessons learning about life cycles

which inspired them to create their own 3D model of a frog's life cycle. Additionally, the children enjoyed the first-hand experience of dissecting a lily flower which aided them in understanding a flowering plant's life cycle.

We were fortunate to have a Jam coding session where children had the chance to code their own video game. As this was such a hit, we will be having a session per week starting next term.

In light of Christmas, year 5 created Spanish Christmas cards, decorated their class tree and performed amazingly in their Christmas play 'Christmas is Forever'. We are so proud of our Year 5s and we cannot wait to see the wonderful work they produce in the upcoming terms! We hope you have a lovely break and stay safe. We hope to see you soon in the New Year.

Year 1 have been busy learning about the story of Red Riding Hood, which they learnt through role-play. The children thoroughly learnt all the events that took part in the story.

During science, children have been learning about Animals including Humans. Children were told to organise animals with and without back bones into two groups. They thoroughly enjoyed the activity. Also, children enjoyed learning how to record information using a tally chart. We discussed and observed the number of birds that came to eat from our bird feed box which we created. We then recorded the results using the tally chart.

Year 1 also took part in Children in Need where the children dressed in mufti. The children were allowed to come into school wearing their pyjamas! Children greatly enjoyed the experience in which activities took place in school to support the charity.

Finally, all children took part in our Christmas Production: Sugar Plum. They all enjoyed dressing up in their outfits, singing the songs and acting as their character. This was a wonderful experience for our children.

Thank you for all your support from the Year 1 Team.



Year 2 have had an amazing term full of fun - here is just a few things Year 2 have done!

We had a special visit from the London Fire brigade. The children had a fire safety talk and got to spray the hose from the fire truck. The children really enjoyed it!

For Science this term we have been looking at Materials. We looked at what makes a particular material a good choice for an object. We have carried out lots of fun scientific experiments and the children have learnt a great deal.

Year 2 Trip to the Farm was also a great day out, where the children had the opportunity to feed the animals. The children got an opportunity to see llamas, pigs, tortoises, snakes and many more. Not forgetting an owl flying over their heads.

In addition, I would like say how amazing the Year 2 Christmas Performance went. The children worked hard and enjoyed singing every day for the last few weeks. I hope parents will enjoy watching the recording.

We are really looking forward to seeing the children in the spring term for lots, more fun learning, and hope you all have a fabulous Christmas break!

A very Happy and safe Christmas and Happy New year to you all from Mrs Hamdani and Mrs Matharu.



This term has been filled with excitement, and the pupils have gained excellent experiences with their learning! Year 3 have participated in workshops on Coding for Computing learning and a virtual visit from the well-known author Jeff Kinney. During the virtual visit, pupils learnt about the author's early life and the steps he took to become an author. This inspired us to read regularly and to aspire to achieve our goals. We enjoyed reading, 'A Diary of a Wimpy Kid' and creating our own front cover for it.

Year 3 took part in an engaging Volcanoes Workshop, learning all about how volcanoes are formed and the different layers of Earth. The children came to life when participating in their weekly music lessons on how to play a recorder instrument effectively! They also excelled at reading music and identifying patterns.

Our 'Higgledy Piggledy' Christmas production made us all proud of our outstanding skills of performing. We worked extremely hard to learn our lines, with a focus on projecting our voices clearly to an audience. Our teamwork has enabled us to prosper in singing and practicing actions for the songs.

Thank you Year 3 for a truly magical term of learning!







We have had an exciting half- term continuing our Story of Water unit. In English, we learnt about the water cycle through the book Rhythm of the Rain, followed by descriptive writing using The Lighthouse clip. Linked with this, both classes had an immersive experience carrying out science experiments and gained geographical knowledge on our main source of water River Thames. A local artist paid us a visit and carried out a whole day workshop in both classes to create an art piece that reflect water in the UK and Kerala. This supported our research that we had been conducting in geography about the climate of Kerala and comparing rivers and water supply in London and Kerala.

In addition, to this topic we have been carrying out art projects such as colouring with spices and creating a peacock using screen-printing. In maths we have been focusing on the four main operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division), and have explored different methods that can be used to solve a problem. In science, we investigated the state of matters by conducting experiments: testing condensation, boiling and evaporation.

We had the opportunity to take part in a coding workshop, where the children created their own game using coding. Furthermore, to enhance their love of reading children received a workshop by the world-renowned author Jacqueline Wilson. Pupils also took part in a poetry competition. Congratulations to all the children whose poems will be published in a book.

Finally, we have been in high festive spirit creating props and decoration in the classroom. We have been working hard rehearsing for our school production 'When Sasha Got Swept up the Chimney'. We are very proud of all the children - they have impressed us with their acting and singing skills.



# Reminders

The new term begins on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022 (gates open 8.35am to 8.45am daily) 'Early Birds' breakfast club will run as normal at 8am and 'Night Owls' after school club from 3.45pm to 5:45pm

#### Absence

You must only keep your child off school if they are very unwell due to high temperature, vomiting and sickness. On the day of any absence, please call the School Office absence line 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. In addition, can we remind you that your child does not need to bring in a school bag.