

Edison Primary School Weekly News

11th October 2024

Hot Chocolate with Mrs Valentin



Over and Above: Focus of the Week

Showing a Positive Mindset

Our dedicated attention this week centred on adhering to **our four school principles: Ready, Respectful, Safe, and Kind.** The primary objective was to surpass the norm in these aspects, fostering mutual assistance in enhancing our collective commitment. At Edison, continual improvement is paramount, and our weekly focal points contribute significantly to achieving this objective. See the outstanding individuals recognised for going "Over and Above" with the added privilege of enjoying hot chocolate with Mrs Valentin.

Word Count Millionaire

We are delighted to announce our current word count millionaire readers in KS2!



This week we are so proud to announce that Zain Ali in Carson class achieved 1-million-word count! Congratulations and keep going Zain.

Attendance Winners for the week

Registration Form	Attendance Week 07.10.24 - 11.10.24	
YR Bell	94.0%	
YR Newton	93.6%	
Y1 Franklin	93.3%	
Y1 Watson	96.0%	
Y2 Fleming	94.5%	
Y2 Pasteur	92.4%	
Y3 Curie	95.8%	
Y3 Faraday	90.4%	
Y4 Carson	95.9%	
Y4 Goodall	98.7%	1st
Y5 Armstrong	97.2%	2nd
Y5 Jemison	97.2%	
Y6 Einstein	96.3%	
Y6 Hawking	96.4%	3rd

Well done to Goodall Class with 98.7% for being attendance winners this week of the Autumn Term.



The class are presented with a trophy which they keep for the week.

Parking on Site

Please note that parking on site at the start and end of the day including afterschool club collection is not permitted.

Parking on the side of the building to drop or collect your child/ren to and from school is not allowed.



Access to the side road and parking is for school staff only. Please do not parking on the side of the school as this restricts staff access.

Scooter and Bikes

If your child/ren bring a scooter or bike to school, please ensure that you secure the bike/scooter with a lock, this applies to both the bike sheds and the bike racks outside the main office.

Unfortunately, recently a child's scooter has been taken from school grounds. We would like to remind you that the school are not responsible for any bikes or scooters left on school ground during the day or after school.

Flu Vaccination - 21/10/2024

The Hounslow immunisation team will be visiting on Monday 21st October to administrator Flu Vaccination.

Please check the email that was sent on 7th October which contains the E consent letter. Please note that you can consent for either the <u>Flu</u> <u>nasal spray, OR the non-gelatine</u> IM Flu vaccine. Please make sure you complete the form online as soon as you can. The portal will close **48 hours ahead of the Flu session.**

Flu can be very unpleasant for children and can sometimes cause serious problems, such as <u>pneumonia</u>. Children can catch and spread flu easily. Vaccinating them also helps protect others who are at higher risk of getting seriously ill from flu, such as babies and older people.

End of Day Collection/Pick Up

At the end of the day, we have noticed that siblings that attend high school are collecting pupils, however we would like to remind you that pupils will not be released to siblings who attend high school and are under the age of 16.

A parent must be present and visible to the staff dismissing, for the pupil to leave the school grounds.

At Edison we have a safeguarding duty towards all pupils to ensure that they are safe and with their reasonable adult.

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Please ensure that at the end of the day a parent or guardian is present to collect your child.

It is important that you inform the school office via email before 3pm if you are unable to collect your child and have arranged for someone else. The school office require the below information to forward to the class teacher and add the person to the pupil Arbor account.

- Name of Person Collecting
- Contact Number of Person Collecting
- Relationship to Pupil

School Uniform

We would like to remind you regarding the appropriate school uniform for children.

Please kindly ensure that you have labelled all of your child/ren's school uniform items including jackets, bags, shoes/trainers and water bottles.

Children should be wearing <u>school uniform</u> on days they do not have P.E and should be wearing <u>black school shoes</u>.

Children are <u>not allowed</u> to be wearing different coloured shoes or trainers, please ensure that your child/ren are in the correct coloured footwear.

On the days of P.E, children should come into school wearing their P.E kits and black trainers.

Please see below PE Days for your child's year group:

<u>Year</u> <u>Group</u>	<u>PE day/s</u> Children come in wearing their <u>PE kit.</u>	
Reception	Thursday	Friday (AM)
Year 1	Tuesday	Wednesday (PM)
Year 2	Thursday (AM)	Friday
Year 3	Monday	Tuesday (AM)
Year 4	Tuesday (PM)	Thursday
Year 5	Tuesday	Wednesday (AM)
Year 6	Wednesday	Thursday (PM)

Year 5 & 6 Football Competition

This week, some girls from Year 5 & 6 took part in a Football competition at Springwell Primary



School. They played amazingly against the other teams from other schools.

Please see below what the girls have to say about the competition:

"We had a great time at our football match. the activities were nice. there was some tough competition, but we tried our best and we did well. the competition was a mix between capture the flag, dodgeball but it was a football match. We enjoyed and we had fun". Haanya and Arianna

"My experience at the football tournament was great. It was fun! We did capture the flag with football, and we did some matches with different teams. Some year 9's from Cranford did some examples to show us the rules. Amielia

Autumn term Parents Meetings

Autumn Term 2024 Parent Teacher Consultations will be held on the following dates from 4pm until 6pm.

Reception, Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3 - Monday 21st October & Tuesday 22nd October

Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 - Wednesday 23rd October & Thursday 24th October

Parents **must** book their meetings via **Arbor**; you may choose any of the following: **Option 1:** Telephone meeting Or **Option 2:** Zoom meeting Or **Option 3:** Face to Face Onsite

It is important that you indicate which option you prefer in the notes section, 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.

You are able to book your appointment in Arbor from 5pm on Tuesday 8th October.

Please note the deadlines below to book your appointment slots, please note that the office team will not be booking any appointments.

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Please book your appointment slots **before** the dates below:

Sunday 20th October by 12pm for Monday's meeting. Monday 21st October by 12pm for Tuesday's meeting. Tuesday 22nd October by 12pm for Wednesday's meeting. Wednesday 23rd October by 12pm for Thursday's meeting.

To access Arbor please use the email address that you have registered with the school and click on Forgotten Password to reset you details and access the account. If you have any further issues in booking your appointment via Arbor please contact the school office.

If you are unable to attend any of the above meeting dates, please kindly message your child's class teacher via Seesaw and they will arrange a suitable time with you on another day.

Hounslow Public Realm Design Guidance

We are reaching out to invite you to participate in To take part, please visit: https://talk.hounslow.gov.uk/public-realm-consultation

In addition to the survey, you can also use the interactive map function to share your thoughts and opinions about specific locations.

The survey will remain open until 30 September 2024, and your input will directly contribute to shaping the Hounslow Public Realm Design Guidance, which is currently being developed.

We would greatly appreciate it if you could not only participate but also share this information with your networks. For those who prefer paper copies of the survey, please contact us at <u>consult@hounslow.gov.uk</u> or call 020 8583 2000.

Thought of the Week

Student: Dr. Einstein, Aren't these the same questions as last year's [physics] final exam? Einstein: Yes; But this year the answers are different. **Albert Einstein**



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Key dates for your diary		
Friday 11 th October	World Mental Health Day	
Wednesday 16 th October	Year 2 Hounslow Urban Farm	
Friday 18 th October	Year 1 Sublime Science Workshop	
Monday 21 st October – Friday 25 th October	No Enrichment Clubs this week	
Monday 21 st October	Years Reception, 1, 2 & 3 Parents Evening Flu Vaccination for Whole School	
Tuesday 22 nd October	Years Reception, 1, 2 & 3 Parents Evening	
Wednesday 23 rd October	Year 4, 5 & 6 Parents Evening	
Thursday 24 th October	Year 4, 5 & 6 Parents Evening	
Friday 25 th October	School Closes at 1.30pm	



Slowly fill the glass with water and watch the spider disappear.

Why does it work?

Light (from the sun or artificial light) travels in a straight line, bounces off objects, and enters our eyes, allowing us to see things. Generally, there is little or no refraction of light as it travels through air.

However, when you pour water into the glass or jar, the light from the spider drawing is refracted (bends) and doesn't reach your eyes, which is why the spider seems to disappear.



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SPOTLICIT 1 NEWSPAPER 14th - 20th Detober Magic Michael Rosen

Perhaps you are already familiar with children's author. Michael Rosen. He has recently been very busy meeting young book lovers in Jersey, an island iust off the south coast of England. At a special event in the town library, Michael read his famous story We're Going on a Bear Hunt - but with a local twist! He performed parts of the story in Jèrriais, a traditional language from Jersey, which made the audience cheer with delight. Talking about why he continues to write and perform, Michael said, 'It's fun apart from anything else - I just have lovely fun!' Michael is in Jersey for the 2024 Festival of

Words. He's excited to see young people enjoying stories and believes they're writing more than ever, through social media and texting. 'When I see children laugh and enjoy stories, it feels like magic,' he added.



Pictured: Michael Rosen reading his famous story, We're Going on a Bear Hunt. Source: @JerseyWordFest on X.

World Leaders Meet

Leaders from around the world are meeting at the United Nations (UN) Headquarters in New York City, to talk about big problems facing the planet. The UN was created after World War II to help countries work together for peace, human rights, and helping people in need. Today, almost every country in the world is a member, and when issues or problems arise, the UN is one of the first places where countries share their concerns. This year, the UN will meet for the 79th time! There are many important issues to discuss,



Pictured: Debating at UN Headquarters in New York, USA. Source: @UN on X.

such as wars and the climate crisis. Leaders will also discuss new rules to keep artificial intelligence (AI) safe and helpful for everyone. UN leader António Guterres said, 'It's not just about signing agreements, it's about taking action.'

How important is it to know about the author behind the book?

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I think it is important because it helps to understand why they write these books. Shannay

(MelpPicture)

Let us know what you think about this week's news

ESPOTLICHT 2 NEWSPAPER 14th-20th 0ctober Cozy Joevs!

Incubators, donated by a local hospital, are helping to care for orphaned baby kangaroos in Australia. The humidicribs, that previously cared for premature babies, are now being used by Mandy Watson at Kununurra Kangaroo Rescue Haven in East Kimberly. The cribs imitate the conditions of a mother kangaroo's pouch, where baby kangaroos, called joeys, live for the first eight months of their lives. Kangaroo Haven rescues, rehabilitates and releases orphaned and injured wildlife. Mandy explained, 'In 20 years, we've released 823 back into the wild. It's really hard, especially in the dry season, for us to keep up that constant temperature."





Pictured: Rescued Joeys being cared for at the centre. Source: Kangaroo Haven Wildlife Rescue on Facebook.

The incubators were donated after paediatric nurse, Jane Darlington, saw a volunteer raising awareness of the rescue centre while she was shopping. Jane realised she could help save lives as, luckily for the centre, Kununurra District Hospital needed to replace outdated incubators with more modern versions. 'It was very cute and caught my attention [...] I'm very pleased we've been able to give [the incubator] to somebody [who will] use it.'

Can you think of a way to help a rescue centre near you?

Timed Tricks

Teenage magician, Cillian O'Connor from County Meath in Ireland, is celebrating after completing 28 magic tricks in 60 seconds! The former Britain's Got Talent contestant now holds the world record for the most magic tricks performed in one minute (under 16 category). The 15-year-old's set involved making a wand appear out of nowhere, a trick that changed the colour of two pieces of silk, and making pencils disappear. Cillian often talks about difficulties with socialising and why he became a magician: 'I was looking for something to help me engage and interact with people, and I thought maybe magic would help. The rest, as they say, is history. Magic has allowed me to interact more with people. I've also made friends with similar interests and travelled to the most amazing places.' Looking to the future, he added, 'I hope by sharing my



Pictured: Cillian O'Connor with his Guinness World Record certificate. Source: Cillian O'Connor on Facebook.

story that I can inspire other kids. I would love to be able to bring magic into schools, as a form of therapy someday.' Cillian says he loves to perform with playing cards, 'My favourite magic trick is a card trick called Triumph, by Dai Vernon.'

Do you know any magic tricks?

How many do you think you could perform in one minute?





It is important to know the author behind the book because they might relate it to their culture or even what has happened in their life or where they are from, their happiness and their struggles. **Ibrahim**

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In the news this week

UK Prime Minister, Sir Keir Starmer, has faced questioning and criticism recently for accepting free gifts. The Prime Minister has said he would continue to accept such gifts, despite the negative comments, stating that he is not doing anything wrong. Sir Keir, an Arsenal football fan, has also come under pressure for receiving thousands of pounds worth of football tickets. Although he is already an Arsenal season ticket holder, Sir Keir explained that security concerns mean he can no longer watch games from his usual seat in the stands.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Do you believe politicians should always be allowed to accept free gifts?
- Can you make a list of the different times you give people gifts, and times you receive them?
- > Do you prefer to give or receive gifts? Ask your people at home what they think.

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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Secondary School Transfer

Children born between **1 September 2013** and **31 August 2014** will transfer from primary school to secondary school in September 2025.

The closing date for applications is **31 October 2024**

Please read the 'Secondary School Transfer September 2025' brochure carefully before completing your application. A copy can be downloaded from our website.

Hounslow residents must apply online at www.hounslow.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions



Key dates



1 September 2024

Applications open apply online at www.hounslow.gov.uk/ secondaryadmissions

31 October 2024, midnight

Closing date for applications



12 December 2024, 5pm

Closing date for applications from people moving into the borough after 31 October or for any late applications to be considered as on time due to exceptional circumstances.

′ 3 March 2025 – evening (after 5pm)

National Offer Day Parents will be sent an email (after 5pm) with the outcome of their application

17 March 2025

Last day to respond to your school offer online.

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November and December 2024 events in Boston Manor Park (BMP)

Please note more events may be added and to receive an updated monthly newsletter please join our mailing list by emailing <u>bostonmanorpark@hounslow.gov.uk</u>

Major upcoming events in the park and House

- 1. Frankenstein in Boston Manor House (until 27th Oct)- get in the mood for Halloween
- 2. 'A Christmas Tale' in Boston Manor House (12th 29th Dec)- tickets available soon!
- BMP landscapes amongst others at <u>Bonnie Gibbons art exhibition</u> in Boston Manor House (free, until 24th Nov)- do pop in to admire her work (which includes our Activity Trails/Nature Festival artwork)
- Our BMP Christmas Event 2024 will be on Saturday 7th December, 12-3pm: including a big raffle with beautiful prizes donated by local artists, a vibrant dancing display by Trinjan Indian Women's Group and live music. Activities for families. All FREE to attend and enjoy.

November

Monthly Bird Walk and Survey, Saturday 2nd, 08.30-10am, meet on the lake platform. Take a leisurely walk around the park to record numbers and species of birds in the park. No experience necessary but bring binoculars if you have them. FREE.

Fitness Fun with Jenny, **EVERY Tuesday**, **11-11.45am**: low impact outdoors exercise class for adults of all ages and fitness levels. The class is generally in the walled garden, with an indoor option available if necessary. Meet near Hub. £3 per participant in cash.

Bootcamp with Andy every Monday (until 9 Dec), 12.15-1pm, meet by sports equipment: aimed at adults with a moderate level of fitness. £3 per drop in session (cash) or £10 for 4 sessions in advance (6 sessions available in total).

Mindful Walk Saturday 9th, 2.30-3.30pm, meet by walled garden: enjoy a gentle guided walk with Vanessa through our mosaic of habitats. FREE.

Plant Sale Saturday 9th, 12.30-2pm, by service yard: pick up a seasonal bargain of BMP propagated plants, including Geranium, Primula and Magnolia.

Forest Bathing sessions with Elizabeth Howard, **Thursdays 21 Nov, 19 Dec, 23 Jan and 27 Feb, 10-12pm**: A trainee Forest Bathing practitioner will be offering 5 x 2hr monthly sessions from October 2024 in BMP. Places limited. If you are interested in attending one or two







sessions please see Facebook <u>event</u> for details and email Elizabeth directly for joining instructions before attending a session <u>elahoward@hotmail.co.uk</u> FREE.

Mosaic making session, Saturday 23rd, 11-1pm, workshop by service yard (secondary aged children and adults): come and make a beautiful mosaic to take home (grouting demonstration provided). Limited places. Book via <u>Eventbrite</u> (£3) or drop in on the day (£5) but only if space permitting.

December

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Toddler Woodland Adventure Club, Tuesdays 3, 10, 17 Dec, 10.30-11.45am: Bring your preschooler to explore the Park habitats and wildlife with Tash. Sheltered/indoor spaces available and activities will take place both inside and outside. Meet by Hub. £5 per child over 2yrs (accompanying younger siblings are free) per session. Limited numbers. Booking via <u>Eventbrite</u>.

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Winter Walk in our BMP wonderland, Friday 27th, 11-12pm, meet outside walled garden: come on an insightful walk through the park to discover the hidden mysteries of winter wildlife. All ages welcome. FREE.

Gardening and Conservation activities

Weekly Gardening and Conservation Sessions, every Tuesday, 10-12.30pm: meet outside the Service yard/ walled garden. Join Vanessa and carry out a variety of gardening and conservation tasks around the park.

Public Gardening and Conservation session, Saturday 9 Nov, 10.30-12.30pm and Friday 27 Dec, 1.30-3.30pm: meet outside the Service yard/ walled garden. Join Vanessa and carry out a variety of gardening and conservation tasks around the park - help us plant bulbs and





make hedgehog hibernacula. Call Vanessa if running late and we have left the yard, 07816 067883.

Youth Volunteering (14 yrs up), Saturdays 9 and 23 Nov, and 7 Dec, 10.30-12.30pm, Friday 27 Dec 1.30-3.30pm: Volunteering specifically for young people (14–18-year-olds) with regular sessions for teenagers looking to meet the D of E award 'Volunteering' requirement and all teenagers wanting to volunteer. Meet promptly by Hub. Activities include conservation, gardening and helping run family events/holiday clubs (at other times). Email Tash in advance if you are interested: <u>bostonmanorpark@hounslow.gov.uk</u>

Park Hub Cafe:

Our café The Potting Shed <u>thepottingshed.london</u> is now open 7 days a week, 9-5pm. Food 9-3pm. Watch out for their events too.

Boston Manor House events:

A Christmas Tale- A Live Radio Play by the Arts Centre, December 12th-29th in the State Drawing Room. Tickets available soon. <u>What's on - Boston Manor House</u>

Self-guided BMP Trails:

Go Orienteering Trails

Can you find all the markers ('controls') hidden around the park? Learn how to navigate and then find and follow three different (easy, medium and hard) orienteering routes around the park. Download the free orienteering maps at

https://www.goorienteering.org.uk/course/boston manor park

Strava Running Club

Boston Manor Park's own running club and running routes (co-created with WE RUN EALING, community based running organisation). See https://www.strava.com/clubs/1196851 (BMP2023 is Club on Strava).

BMP Activity Trails 1 (Nature and Wellbeing) and 2 (*Get to know the park!*). Trail 3 (*Wonderful Wildlife*) out in October 2024 Half Term- see October events.

Pick up a free hard copy of our two trails from outside the Hub, or Boston Manor House. Download free copies in English and Polish from https://www.ealingparks.foundation/nature-trails

Secret Bird Mosaic Trail

Can you spot our 6 bird mosaics hanging in the woodland (top woodland path, starting near the lake and ending by oak tree by M4 flyover)? You will see a jay, a woodpecker, a sparrow, a robin, a starling and a chaffinch. Mosaics were made by the community and Susie John, a local artist.







BMP Audio Trail: download the Echoes app (free download), search for the trail on the app (starts near car park) and plug into a mindful walk through the park, listening to poetry, music and the sounds of nature. You might recognise some familiar voices and will finish feeling calm and relaxed in the walled garden. QR code in noticeboard for even quicker access.

Corporate volunteering: we'd love to host your team!

We offer bespoke opportunities for teams to spend a day (or a few hours) in the park, working on fun conservation and gardening projects. The day can also include a range of activities such as guided foraging/wildlife walks around the park. Lunch options available from our café and indoor spaces accessible to store personal items and take a break. A donation may be required towards purchasing park resources. Email us to discuss options: bostonmanorpark@hounslow.gov.uk

Do you work in a school or know any teachers?

Please let us know and we can email you our School Workshops programme and give you information about our specific SEND school workshops/work experience programme.

Join our BMP outdoor events and volunteering mailing list: Contact us <u>BostonManorPark@hounslow.gov.uk</u> to receive regular updates on all our outdoor events and activities, including lots of family events in school holidays. Follow and Like our Facebook page @BMPoutdoorevents Download and see our School Workshop Programme