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RAISING AWARENESS ON DYSLEXIA

At Edison Primary, we are proud to have celebrated Dyslexia Awareness Month throughout October. This began with a special assembly where we explored what it means to be dyslexic and how, as a school community, we can support those with dyslexia. In class, children participated in discussions and activities to better understand how dyslexia affects learning and how everyone can embrace different ways of thinking.

Our pupils have been very engaged, and we are excited to showcase some of the amazing posters they created as part of this month's awareness work. These posters highlight the strengths of dyslexic learners and offer tips on how we can all help each other to succeed. We'll be displaying these around the school to remind everyone of the importance of understanding and supporting all learners.



INCLUSIVE HALLOWEEN

Reminders for an Inclusive Halloween

www.breezyspeciald.com

A child who doesn't say trick or treat or thank you may be non-verbal.

→ Don't make kids say anything to get a treat

Some kids may have difficulties grabbing or choosing a piece of candy

→ Consider handing treats directly to the kids

1 in 13 kids have food allergies.

→ Consider having non-food treats available.

Not all disabilities are visible

→ Be kind, assume the best and have fun

Happy Halloween!

THIS HALLOWEEN

Please Keep In Mind:

- The child who is grabbing more than one piece of candy, might have poor fine motor skills.
- The child who does not say "Trick or Treat" or "Thank You" might be nonverbal.
- The child who looks disappointed when they see your bowl might have an allergy.
- The child who isn't wearing a costume, might have Sensory Processing Disorder or Autism.
- The person who looks too old to be trick or treating, might be developmentally delayed.

Please be accepting, patient, and kind.



Dr. Ali Griffith

HALLOWEEN



SPEECH AND LANGUAGE COFFEE MORNING

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This term, we were pleased to host a coffee morning for parents, led by our dedicated speech and language therapist. It was a wonderful opportunity for parents to gain insight into supporting their children's communication needs, and we are grateful to those who took the time to attend. Your involvement is invaluable, and we look forward to offering more coffee mornings in the future, covering topics like SEND, behaviour management, and emotional well-being. With your continued support, we aim to equip parents with the tools and strategies to best support their children's development.



4.

HOUNSLOW LOCAL OFFER AND SHORT BREAKS

The Hounslow Local Offer provides essential information and support for families of children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). It outlines local educational, health, and social care services, making it easier for families to access necessary support. A key feature is the provision of short breaks, which allow children with SEND to participate in enjoyable activities outside their home while giving parents much-needed respite. These breaks, including after-school clubs and holiday schemes, help enhance social skills and promote independence. For more details on available short breaks and services, families can visit the Hounslow Local Offer website.



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SAFEGUARDING AND CHILD PROTECTION



Safeguarding Column: A Reminder to Parents

As part of our ongoing commitment to safeguarding, we want to remind parents of a few key things that can help keep children safe both in and out of school:

1. Online Safety

With children spending more time online, it's important to monitor their digital activities. Make sure to:

- Check privacy settings on apps and games
- Encourage open conversations about what they are doing online
- Educate them on the importance of not sharing personal information

2. Mental Wellbeing

The mental health of children is just as important as their physical health. Keep an eye on your child's emotional wellbeing and encourage them to talk if something is worrying them. Be mindful of any sudden changes in behaviour or mood and reach out to the school for support if needed.

3. Stranger Danger (Clever Never Goes)

Remind your children about staying safe when out and about. They should always travel with a trusted adult and avoid talking to strangers. If they ever feel unsafe, they should go to a safe place like a shop and ask for help.

If you have any concerns regarding safeguarding, please don't hesitate to contact our safeguarding team at Edison Primary. We are here to support you and ensure that every child feels safe and secure.



Mrs Valentin
Headteacher, DSL



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A HEARTFELT THANKS



On behalf of Edison Primary, I sincerely thank all our families for their continued support and commitment to creating an inclusive, understanding environment for every child. We also extend our gratitude to everyone who attended and supported our recent SEND coffee morning focused on Speech and Language. We look forward to offering more opportunities like this in the future.

- Mrs Dev, Assistant Headteacher & Inclusion Leader, DSL, Mental Health Lead

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