



Edison Primary School

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Hot Chocolate with Mrs Dokal



Two lucky pupils also had Hot Chocolate with Mrs Dokal this week as they helped on the reception induction meeting, they both stood up and spoke about Edison, what they liked the most about and what their favourite thing is about Edison.

Myra in Fleming class said:

"Thank you, Mrs. Dokal and Miss. Rose, for all your hard work. Miss Rose, your fun lessons and kindness make learning so enjoyable. Mrs. Dokal, your care and support make our school a happy place. We are very lucky to have you both. Also, thank you Mrs. Chandale for your love and support."

Over and Above: Focus of the Week

Showing Maturity

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. Dokal.

Next week the Focus is "Impeccable Behaviour".

Kavin in Goodall class said:

"The teachers at Edison are always nice and really eager to help everyone."

"There are so many resources in the classroom that can help you to understand and grasp difficult concepts."

"Accelerated Reader is really good to learn and encourage them to read!"

Word Count Millionaire

We are delighted to announce our current word count millionaire readers in KS2! They are proudly wearing their brand new, golden word millionaire badges so we can all celebrate their achievements!



This week we are so proud to announce that Rutvik A in Year 5 Jemison class has achieved 1-million-words, and we have Azan A in Year 3 Curie class



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and Sahib B in Faraday class who have both achieved half a million words. Well done. Keep it up.

Attendance Winner

Well done to Year 5 Armstrong Class for being the winners for the highest attendance this week with a percentage of 98%.

Registration Form	Attendance Week 01.07.2024- 05.07.2024	
YR Bell	94.6%	
YR Newton	93.8%	
Y1 Franklin	92.9%	
Y1 Watson	95.8%	
Y2 Fleming	96.2%	2nd
Y2 Pasteur	93.2%	
Y3 Curie	93.3%	
Y3 Faraday	94.2%	
Y4 Carson	90.6%	
Y4 Goodall	96.1%	3rd
Y5 Armstrong	98.0%	1st
Y5 Jemison	90.4%	
Y6 Einstein	87.1%	
Y6 Hawking	96.0%	

Edison Summer Fair 2024

The Edison Summer Fair was an outstanding success. This was only possible with the hard work and dedication of the amazing team of parents that are part of the Edison Friends.

We would also like to say thank you to all of our sponsors.

Note from Edison Friends.

We are thrilled to extend our heartfelt thanks to each one of you for making our Summer Fair such a resounding success! Your enthusiastic participation, generous contributions, and unwavering support were instrumental in creating a memorable event filled with fun, laughter, and community spirit. The event was a vibrant celebration of our community spirit, and it wouldn't have been possible without your incredible support and participation.

***To Our Wonderful Parents: ***

Thank you for your time, effort, and dedication in organizing, volunteering, and supporting the various activities and dressing up along with the theme. Your involvement is truly invaluable and deeply appreciated. Your contributions, whether big or small, played a crucial role in making the event a memorable experience for everyone.

***To Our Amazing Students: ***

Your excitement and participation brought life to the Summer Fair. It was a joy to see you engage in various activities, showcase your talents, and enjoy the festivities. Your enthusiasm was contagious, and it reminded us of the vibrant and dynamic community we are fortunate to be a part of. Thank you for making the fair a lively and joyful event.

***Looking Ahead: ***

The success of this year's Summer Fair has set a high bar for future events, and we are excited about the possibilities that lie ahead. Your continued support and participation are invaluable as we strive to create more memorable experiences for our School.

Once again, thank you to everyone who made the Summer Fair a resounding success. We are grateful for your contributions and look forward to many more wonderful events together. We have not only enjoyed a fantastic day but also strengthened our community bonds. We look forward to many more events like this in the future.

If you have any photos from the summer fair, please do share them by emailing info@edisonprimary.org. Please see the Edison Summer Fair Gallery.

General Knowledge Quiz Competition

On June 28th, four students from Years 3 to 6 travelled to Oxford to represent Edison in a General Knowledge Quiz Competition. Although we didn't win the championship, we are incredibly proud of these brave participants. They particularly enjoyed visiting Oxford University, making the trip a truly enriching experience. A heartfelt thank you to all the parents who accompanied their children



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and supported them throughout the event. We eagerly look forward to achieving even greater success next year.



1	Buckingham Prep 1	500	14	Haberdasher's Aike's 1	480
2	Buckingham Prep 2	500	13	Mansgate Primary 1	460
3	Glendower 3	490	14	Haberdasher's Aike's 1	455
4	Edison Primary	490	15	St John's	455
5	Rokeyby	480	16	Crosfields	455
6	The Downley School 1	480	17	St Aidan's Primary	450
7	West House School	480	18	Surliton High Girls'	445
8	St David's Prep	475	18	Alleyn's	440
9	The Blue Coat School	465	20	Hoe Bridge	440
10	Haberdasher's Aike's 1	465	21	Springfield Primary	440

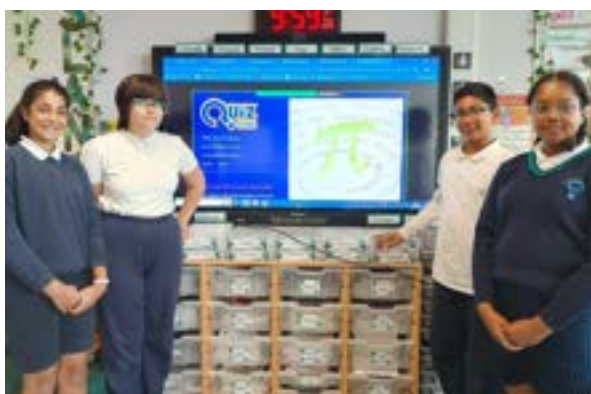
Running out of time: Climate Relay

On July 3, 2024, we hosted an important Climate Change Awareness Relay event. Each child in Year 5 and 6 had the opportunity to pass the baton, which had already been held by 18,000 individuals. The relay began in Ben Nevis, Scotland, and will conclude in London on July 4. During the event, three children were interviewed, confidently sharing their insightful views on climate change. We feel privileged and delighted to have been part of this meaningful initiative.



Maths Quiz Competition

On July 3rd, our students competed in the finals of the Maths Quiz Competition, achieving an outstanding **5th place out of 149 schools**. We are immensely proud of their hard work and dedication. This brilliant achievement showcases their talent and commitment. A huge congratulations to our fantastic children for their success, and a big thank you to everyone who supported them along the way. We look forward to seeing even more impressive results in the future!





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activities to encourage our students to lead healthy lifestyles.



Visit from Skipping Sikh and Hula Hoop Kaur

We are excited to share that on 1st July, our school hosted an engaging workshop featuring the dynamic duo, Skipping Sikh and Hula Hoop Kaur. This inspiring pair visited our school to promote the importance of exercise among children by teaching them the fun and energetic activities of hula hooping and skipping. They worked with each class individually in the playground, ensuring that every student had the opportunity to participate and learn. The workshop was a great success, filled with laughter, movement, and valuable lessons on staying active. We are grateful for their visit and look forward to incorporating more such



Thought of the Week

Be humble for you are made of earth. Be noble for you are made of stars.
Serbian Proverb



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Key dates for your diary

Monday 8 July	Meet the teacher
Tuesday 9 July	Parent Meetings, Year 4, 5 and 6
Wednesday 10 July	Year 6 Leavers assembly 2.15pm to 3.15pm
Thursday 11 July	Year 4 Buddhist Workshop Year 6 Prom 5pm to 7pm
Tuesday 16 July	Rec, Yr 1 and 2 Assembly for Mrs Dokal – parents welcome to attend
Wednesday 17 July	Yr 3 and 4 Assembly for Mrs Dokal – parents welcome to attend
Thursday 18 July	Yr 5 and 6 Assembly for Mrs Dokal – parents welcome to attend
Monday 22 July	Last day of term 1:30pm
Wednesday 4th September	Children return to school

Picture News



Crisp Confessions!

Crisps are a beloved snack in the UK, with an estimated six billion packets eaten every year! Walkers is the UK's leading crisp supplier, founded back in 1948 in Leicester by butcher, Henry Walker. The company initially sold only one flavour – ready salted – for 3p per bag. Six years later, they released cheese and onion for the first time. Fast forward to today, Walkers have produced nearly 200 different flavours! Prawn cocktail, cheese and onion and ready salted are all flavours you have most likely tried before. But what's the weirdest crisp flavour you've ever tried? How about spag bol, milk chocolate or Christmas

tree flavour? Market competition is fierce, and crisp companies are constantly working to come up with new concepts and flavours to tempt customers. Picture News' very own consultant, Chloe, says, 'Have you even lived if you haven't tried Pickled Onion Monster Munch?!' Which leads us to ask - what's your favourite flavour?



Pictured: Ready salted crisps. Source: Canva.

Stay Safe in Summer

The sun is an essential part of life on Earth, providing light, warmth and energy. Sunlight can be good for humans, as it helps the body to produce vitamin D that keeps our bones strong, and it boosts our mood! However, it can also be harmful to our skin. Did you know that our skin is an organ? In fact, it is the largest organ in the human body! It acts as a barrier to protect the inside of our bodies from the outside world, so it is important that we take care of our skin. In the summer months, we can use sun cream to help protect our



Pictured: Applying sun cream. Source: Canva.

skin against the sun's harmful UVA and UVB rays. Experts recommend using about two tablespoons of sun cream per application and remember to apply both before and after swimming. You can also wear a hat, sunglasses and extra clothing.

What makes a good friend?



My best friend ... gets excited for me when my favourite song comes on, and I do the same for him. That's why he's my best friend. **Jeni**

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

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT 2 NEWSPAPER 8th - 14th July

'World's Ugliest Dog' Contest

Wild Thang, an eight-year-old Pekingese has been crowned the 'World's Ugliest Dog'. Wild Thang has entered the competition, held at the Sonoma-Marin Fair in California, USA, five times. He has been awarded second place three times, before winning the competition this year and taking the top prize of \$5,000 (£4,000)! There were nine contenders this year, mostly rescue dogs, who are now living with their forever families. The event's website says that it is, 'not about making fun of "ugly dogs," but



having fun with some wonderful characters and showing the world that these dogs are really beautiful.' The competition has been running for nearly 50 years and 'celebrates the imperfections that make all dogs special and unique.' Rome, a 14-year-old pug, who uses a wheelchair, came in second place. Rome's owner, Michelle Grady, said, 'I love that [the competition] represents dogs that are imperfect - imperfectly perfect.'
Do you think it is a good idea to celebrate all kinds of pets? Can you think of any other ways to promote pet adoption?



Picture: Winners at the World's ugliest Dog contest (above left) Wild Thang and Ann Lewis (above right). **Source:** Sonoma-Marin Fairgrounds & Event Center on Facebook.

26-hour Live Lesson

Would you like to be part of a 26-hour long live lesson? Shaun Keeling, from Causeway Green Primary School, has been in touch to tell us that is exactly what happened at his school. He told us that the science-themed teach-a-thon was held to raise money for the children to have greater access to technology both at home and school. The 26-hour live streamed lesson was full of fun and experiments! The pupils of Year 6 learned about hearts, Year 5 experimented with air resistance, there was a science of singing lesson and even a visit from the Mayor! When they became really tired, they taught about the science of sleep. Mr Keeling explained further, saying, 'There was also a scientific ghost hunt at midnight and plenty of exciting explosions...and even a Banana bread sequel. It was a joint effort with us raising nearly 3000 pounds for Anglesey Primary School and Causeway Green Primary School in the West Midlands.'



Picture: Year 5 conducting an air resistance experiment. **Source:** Shaun Keeling, Causeway Green Primary School.

Shaun and Sam Jordan began teaching at 9am on Friday 14th June and didn't stop until Saturday 15th June at 11am!

Would you like to attend a lesson this long?

How tired do you think these teachers were after teaching for over a day?

They must have been exhausted after all that teaching. Well done from everyone here at Picture News!

What makes a good friend?



A good friend is fun because they share the same interests. They help each other and always have your back. They are kind and helpful and treat you with respect. They help to pick you up when you feel down. Class LW

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TAKEHOME



In the news this week

Supermarket chain, Asda, has launched fan zones for elderly people to enjoy the UEFA EURO 2024 football tournament (the Euros). The idea came about as new research found that over 1.9 million individuals over 65 will be watching the matches alone. Many other places, where people choose to watch the football, can be very busy, with standing space only. The Nanzone spaces have been specially developed with older people in mind, ensuring they have somewhere enjoyable to watch the matches with others.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Have you been watching the Euros football competition this year? If so, who have you watched with? Who will you watch with? Do you prefer to watch sport and big events with others?
- > Do you think you have to be alone to feel lonely? Is there a time when you have ever felt lonely?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments



EDISON SUMMER FAIR GALLERY





























What Parents & Carers Need to Know about SHARING PHOTOS ONLINE

School is often a time chock-full of milestones for your child, and you may well be eager to share their accomplishments with the world. In today's digital age, sharing images of such precious moments on social media is commonplace, and – while that's a lovely thing to do – it does come with some risks attached. Our guide can help parents and carers to consider the potential dangers and make informed choices about safely sharing photos of their children online.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

INVASIONS OF PRIVACY

Even with the right settings in place, absolutely nothing online is 100% private. Anyone who can view your photos could take screenshots and potentially share them elsewhere. Privacy settings are still important, though, so it's always wise to ensure your social media accounts have them set up; just bear in mind that you can't completely control what happens to anything once it's gone online.

REVEALING PERSONAL DETAILS

Small details in photos can often reveal personal information. Backgrounds can give clues to where you live, for example, while school logos on uniforms, sports kits, or bags could help someone identify which school your child attends. With interactive maps and reverse image searches commonplace online, information like this could easily be misused by an individual with malicious intentions.

MISUSE OF IMAGES

Once something's been shared online, it's almost impossible to get it deleted. Photos can show up in search engine results and be downloaded, manipulated, and shared without consent. There's the potential for someone's images to be used for advertising purposes (which in many cases, isn't illegal) or even more inappropriate reasons, such as cyber-bullying or serious forms of exploitation.

ONLINE GROOMING

Pictures that convey details about your child's interests, activities, or daily routines could arm an online predator with the kind of information they can deploy to gain a child's trust. They might use this knowledge to pretend to be the same age as the child or to have a shared hobby. Essentially, the more a predator knows about a young person, the easier it is for them to invent some 'common ground'.

PRESSURE TO PLEASE

When their parents or carers share notable moments and accomplishments in a child's life on social media, some children may begin to feel an expectation to always meet certain standards, to achieve things, or to behave in ways that are "worth sharing". Knowing that other people (even friends and family) can see these posts on social media might also add to the pressure they're feeling internally.

IMPACT ON DIGITAL FOOTPRINT

Every photo of a child posted online contributes to their digital footprint. Young people's lives have never been so closely and publicly documented as they are now, and this permanent online presence could affect a child's future opportunities or the choices they make as they grow up – in addition to influencing how they see themselves and, consequently, their emotional wellbeing.

Advice for Parents & Carers

REVIEW SETTINGS REGULARLY

Make sure your social media's secure in terms of who can view your content or see your location (only family and trusted friends, for example). Privacy settings aren't totally foolproof, but they do make it tougher for strangers to access your pics. Reviewing your settings regularly is also a good starting point for conversations with your child about managing their own social accounts when they're older.

CONSIDER OTHER CHILDREN

When taking a group photo, make sure you get parents' or carers' permission to share it on social media. There may be an important safeguarding reason for them not wanting their child's photo posted publicly online, or it might simply not tally with their personal beliefs or cultural background. A quick conversation in advance, just to make sure, is usually hugely appreciated.

CHECK YOUR PHOTOS

Photos of your child shouldn't provide any clues to where they live or go to school: even a house number, street name, or car number plate could be a giveaway. Cover up or blur out school logos, too. If you really want to share a particular pic, you could post a watermarked or low-res version, which can help to discourage misuse as those images are less appealing to download or reproduce.

THINK AHEAD

Try to consider the longer-term implications of what you post. Would you be happy with that photo being online in 10 years' time? Would your child still be OK with the image when they're older? Once your child is mature enough, you could ask for their consent before posting: it respects their privacy, fosters trust and understanding, and helps them to start thinking about their own online life.

Meet Our Expert

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