



30th September 2016

Edward the Elder News



It is great to see the children have all settled in very well into their first few weeks back at school. Thank you to families who have been making excellent efforts to ensure children arrive on time on a morning looking smart and ready for their day of learning.

Please can I remind families to ensure their children come into school with their book bags containing their reading book every day. Thank you to parents/carers who have made sure this is the case.

Families of children from Year 1 to Year 6 will have also noticed an additional purple book within their book bags - each child will now have their own purple Homework book. We know the children have been very excited to participate in their homework task each fortnight and we thank families for their enthusiasm in assisting their children to complete these tasks. Your children would have handed in their homework books in today. to ensure they are marked and ready for their new tasks which will be added and returned back to children on Friday 7th October.

A little reminder also to encourage children to practice and learn their spellings at home, as these further support children within their day to day learning in class.

Teachers remind us to carry out these Homework tasks, for no other reason than this is what our pupils need to do to be the best that they can be. We have high expectations of our children at Edward the Elder and want to give each and every child the best opportunity to reach their full potential - this is why our children do so well with their learning!

Thank you to families for their continued support,
Miss Cooper—Deputy Headteacher.

Prescribed Medicines

School can only administrate medicines that have been prescribed by the GP if the dosage exceeds 4 times a day.

Attendance

Attendance for last week was 97%

Term dates

Half term - week commencing 24th October 2016

Break up for Christmas - on Friday 16th December 3:15pm

Year 1 & Year 2 Parents

Please can we ask parents/carers of Year 1 and Year 2 children to collect their children from the Year 1 and Year 2 classroom doors. This will ensure all children are dismissed safely from their classroom door. Therefore, allowing the member of staff who is dismissing them to dismiss them one at a time. We thank you for your patience on this.

Residentials

Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6 this year will all be invited to take part in an overnight residential. These are exciting events for children and the safety of these trips are taken very seriously with all staff at Edward the Elder. Therefore, we ask for your patience on these and we look forward to sharing more information on these very soon.

Harvest Collection

The leaves are starting to fall, the temperature is starting to drop and this means one thing ... autumn is here and it is the season of Harvest and as a school we would like to invite families of the school to donate produce. This produce will go to a good cause being Sandwell District Women's Aid. We kindly ask families if they would like to bring in any produce for this donation to send in on Monday 3rd October.

This year we will be having an 'in-house' Harvest assembly on Tuesday 4th October where all children will be a part of a singing celebration with a key speaker to share with the children the importance of Harvest. Unfortunately, this will be a child only event — we can assure you that there will be photographs and updates on the school website about the assembly. We thank you for your cooperation on this.

Key information:

The gate will be open for 3:10pm ready for parents/carers to collect children at the normal finishing time of 3:15pm. For merit assemblies, please can we ask parents/carers to walk around to the main hall doors to go into the hall rather than the front entrance door.

