



Edgewood Primary School

Building skills and values for life

Friday, 5 February 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

Free School Meals

I am pleased to confirm that the citizen portal is now live for free school meals.

Parents can now register and apply for free school meals for Nottinghamshire schools through the Nottinghamshire County Council public website. Applications will receive an immediate decision which will then be confirmed by email. If you are already authorised to receive free school meals there is no need to reapply.

The link to the application process https://emsonline.nottsc.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE

Multi skills club

It is so nice that so many of your children take part in the multi skills club on Wednesdays after school with Mrs Treece. Over the last few weeks there have been a few instances when parents have been delayed and as the school office is closed at this time, they have been unable to make contact. In view of this, Mrs Treece will have the school trip mobile with her during these sessions. Should you be delayed or need to contact Mrs Treece in an emergency situation, she can be contacted on 0754 897 5583.

Mid-morning snacks

As you may already know, we offer a hot snack for the children at morning break. Items on offer are:

Toast (with jam or butter)	20p	Teacake	25p
Pizza muffin	35p	Drink	40p

Children do not have to eat a snack from school. You are very welcome to send in a healthy snack for your child for morning break e.g. cereal bar, packet of raisins, piece of fruit.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers 2016

This year we will again be collecting Active Kids Vouchers. Last year we were able to exchange the vouchers for a great variety of items, thanks to your help. The voucher collection box can be found in the school foyer.



Sending money into school

Once again, can I please remind you all that when sending money into school we ask that it is clearly labelled in an envelope. We do not often have cash on the premises and struggle to give change. Please ensure when possible that you send the correct money, as change can often take a few days to be sent to you.

Sports News

Futsal

On Monday evening, the Year 5/6 boys pulled off an amazing performance at the boy's Futsal district final. It was a great experience from the whole team. They won the tournament, unbeaten for all the games, winning 4 and drawing 1. The final game was quite intense as they were playing for the gold medal. They won 4-0 courtesy of Charlie Stenson's hat trick and Archie Shooter's last minute goal. The team left smiling, with gold medals hanging around their necks. – Evie Allsop (Young Sports Ambassador)

Indoor Rowing

On Tuesday evening, one Year 3/4 team and two Year 5/6 teams competed at the local Indoor Rowing competition. Competition was fierce and the teams worked really well together. When the results came in, the Y3/4 team were placed 3rd overall and one of the Y5/6 teams finished 2nd.

This completed a fantastic sporting week for the school with 1 Gold, 1 Silver and 1 Bronze medal!

World Book Day 29th February – 4th March 2016

To tie in with World book day, our school will be holding a Book Week to celebrate reading for pleasure and we hope everyone will join in the fun! Year 3/4 classes and Rainbow class are going to be working with local author Gareth Baker on the Wednesday and all classes will be involved in storytelling sessions on the Friday. There will be lots of other activities, competitions etc. for all pupils and we wanted to give you advanced notice of three of them.

On Thursday 3rd March 2016, on World Book Day, we are inviting everyone to dress up as a book character. Take some time with your children over half term to browse their book collection and then together unleash your creativity and come up with some fabulous ideas to make the day go with a swing! There are lots of tips online for easy, cheap costumes so you don't need to go to any expense. Let your imaginations run wild!

There will also be a number of parent sessions run throughout the day and early evening to inform parents about the re-launch of Bug Club, the exciting online reading resource for pupils of all ages, Rainbow class to Year 6. Staff will also be on hand to offer advice and information to parents about the best ways of supporting children's reading practice at home, whether they are just starting on their reading journey or learning ways to respond to the text by developing their reading comprehension skills. So put the date in your diary/planner.

We are also running a competition called "Extreme Reading." We are asking pupils to think of a different, exciting, fun and SAFE place they can enjoy reading. They then share their idea with you and you take a photograph of them reading their book, tablet or kindle in their 'extreme' place. If they are shy and don't want to be seen in the photo they could be in disguise! Print out the picture, write the pupil's name and class on the back and hand it to Miss Hoare during Book Week - week beginning 29th February 2016.

Attendance



Every School Day Counts

Attend today, achieve for a lifetime!

Well done to Marrón Class who won last week's attendance race with 99.6%. The attendance figures are looking good at the moment despite it being the season for coughs and colds.

Ed Seeley
Headteacher