

# The Edith Borthwick School

## Weekly Update

### Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2024

#### Head's update

Happy Friday!

Our theme for this week finally seems very appropriate – **summer!** It has been lovely to have some sunshine and warmth; **please make sure that you apply sun lotion to your learner before school and send in a bottle of sun lotion if you would like it reapplied during the school day.**

We have been pleased about the weather as **Aardvark class have been completing work towards their DofE Bronze award** this week. This has included pitching tents on the field earlier in the week, and then completing two all-day walks yesterday and today. The group looked exhausted but happy when they got back yesterday. I bet they all slept well last night!

**Thank you to all the parents/carers and staff who sent in nominations for the 'Thank a Teacher' campaign.** The messages have been really lovely and I know that they have given our hardworking teachers a boost. **I want to send a big thank you to all our staff who work hard every day to make sure that our learners are safe, happy and get the most out of school.**

**Letters will be coming out shortly about Arts Week,** which is the week beginning Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2024. This is a lovely week of activities, where every class invites parents to come in and participate for one lesson, if they want to. We know that for some families this can be difficult but we always love to see you.

A couple of reminders:

- **Monday is Stansted class' pre-loved clothes sale, from 9.30am – 11.00am.** They are raising money to fund their end of term activities, but also to go towards the metal compost bin that the Eco club want to buy. Come and get some bargains!
- **Please send in any sponsorship money that your children have raised during our sponsored event** last week. So far we have over £550 but I'm sure that there is more to come! The learners did so well during this event.
- **Next Friday (28<sup>th</sup> June 2024) and the following Monday (1<sup>st</sup> July 2024) are inset days, so ONLY STAFF will be in school on these days. Learners will need to stay at home, and we will see them on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024.**

**Class lists for next academic year will be sent to you on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2024 via a letter (which includes the teacher and class name) through Parentmail, at approximately 4pm.** At the start of the following week, your child will receive their Welcome Pack, where they will find out their staff and peers. **Please make sure that you fill in the photo permission form by next Friday, or your child's photo will NOT be put in the pack.**

Have a lovely weekend and I hope to see lots of you at the clothes sale on Monday ☺.

Kind regards,  
Maggie

#### Spotlight on...

### IT

#### The IT Department say...

Hello from The Edith Borthwick IT Department!

**We make sure that all of the school ICT equipment is running smoothly and that everyone can connect to the school network and the internet.** If in doubt, turn it off and on again!

This year, **we have been doing many projects to improve the school ICT,** including providing all of the teachers with shiny new **laptops** and **many iPads have been set up** to support learning and communication.

**All classes have received walkie talkies** to improve **safety** and communication - **thank you to donors who helped to buy them!**

**We have equipped a dedicated area for phonics sessions,** so that **small** groups can access this learning regularly.

**We all love using 'Busy Things' at school,** it's great for fun and learning. **Our learners can access it at home** using the following details:

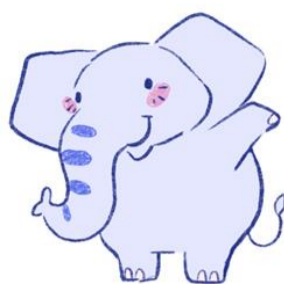
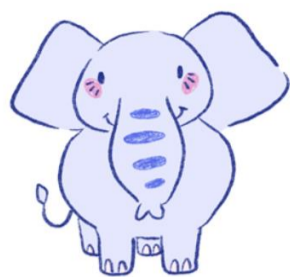
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**Password:** red1043

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## Edie's corner



### Signs linked to The IT Department's Spotlight Internet



### Laptop



### Safe (keeping safe)

To emphasis 'Safe'  
draw formation back  
towards body



### Small



### Edie's jokes of the week

Why is it  
always cold in  
a football  
stadium?

Because of all  
the fans!

Which football  
team loves  
ice-cream?

Aston Vanilla!  
(Villa!)

### Word of the week



## Upcoming dates

### Summer term

#### Pre-loved clothes sale

Mon 24<sup>th</sup> June 2024 (9.30am – 11.00am)

#### Optional wearing of red and white, or football kits

Tues 25<sup>th</sup> June 2024

#### Non-pupil days

Fri 28<sup>th</sup> June & Mon 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024

#### FOEBS meeting

Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024 (9.30am – 11.00am)

#### Arts Week

Mon 8<sup>th</sup> – Fri 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024

#### Family picnic

Sat 13<sup>th</sup> July 2024 (11.00am – 1.00pm)

#### Summer ball

Fri 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024

## Attendance reminders

If your child will be absent from school for any reason, **please ring the absence line (option 1) before 9.00am.**



## Eco tip of the week



Use biodegradable household products!

This could include recycled toilet paper, shampoo made natural ingredients, natural deodorant, bamboo toothbrushes, or even washcloths made from hemp or agave fibres!

## Join our monthly Lottery!

The '**Your School Lottery**' was set up to raise money and make a difference for our amazing learners - for every ticket you play, 74.2% goes to our school and prizes!

**It's only £1 per ticket with the chance to win a £25,000 grand prize!**

[Your School Lottery](#)

**Thank you to everyone who chose to donate their winnings to the school!**



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## Reminders

Please remember to complete the **Welcome Pack - Photo Permission form** that was shared via Parentmail and DOJO to state whether you give permission for your child/young person's photograph to be included in the Welcome Packs **by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2024**.

## Elsewhere around the school

**Crocodile class** made their own hummus in Cooking and had to test different materials and say which made the best mermaid tail!



**Meerkat class** went to the Wilderness! The learners had a great time cooking marshmallows, making hot chocolate on the fire and exploring the woods!



**Leopard class** went out on the school bus to the local soft play area. We all loved the bus journey, exploring the play area, climbing, jumping and being in the ball pit!

