

# EDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2023

**Shoe Box Appeal** Thank you for all the contributions to the Shoe Box appeal, which we supported for harvest this year. All donations have been collected by the Elim Church, Carrickfergus.

**Sponsored Bounce** The children will be taking part in the sponsored bounce this Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023 to raise money for the school and this year's nominated school charity. Thank you for your support. **Money should come into school when we return after the Halloween holiday with all money being received no later than Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November.**

**Intake for Primary 1 – September 2024** Application forms for Primary 1 in September 2024 are to be completed online and will be available from Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January until the deadline 12.00 noon on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024. If you are unsure as to whether you have registered your child for a place in the school, please contact Mrs Logan urgently.

**Open Weeks – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023** Parents who would like to view the school facilities may visit the school during these dates. Appointments are available between 9.30 am – 2.30 pm and should be made via the school office.

**Children in Need - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November** Once again we will be joining with others in taking part in the Children in Need Day. We intend to raise funds for this worthy cause by holding a Non-Uniform Day. The fee for wearing non-uniform for each child will be 50p. This money should be brought to School by your child on this date and given to the class teacher.

**Homework Club** After the half term break, Homework Club will only operate on Mondays and Wednesdays. This is due to a lack of demand for this particular club. Other Afterschool clubs are still available on Tuesdays & Thursdays.

**Lateness and Holidays** Please remember, all children **should be in school to start work at 9.00 a.m.** Continual lateness is recorded and does affect your child's overall attendance percentage. Each child is expected by the Education Authority to have an attendance of 96%. The school is not able to give permission for holidays taken within the school term and these unauthorised days also affect your child's overall attendance. I would also remind all parents **if your child is absent from school a written note or seesaw message must be provided to the class teacher, a telephone call is not sufficient.**

**Christmas Fair – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December – 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm** Please keep this date free. I am reliably informed that Santa will be in his Grotto within the school. More details to follow.

**Dates to note this term:**

### NOVEMBER

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – School reopens after Halloween Holidays

### DECEMBER

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> at 6.00 – 8.00 pm – School Fair with Santa's Grotto

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> – PTA Christmas Disco P1 – P3 – 6.00 – 7.00pm and P4 – P7 – 7.15 – 8.15pm

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> at 10.00 am – Primary 1 and 2 Christmas Performance

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> at 7.00 pm – Primary 3 and Primary 4 Christmas Performance

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> at 1.00 pm – Primary 5, 6 and 7 – Carol Service in St. Colman's Church

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> – Early closing of school at 2.00 pm

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December – School closes at 12.15 pm for Christmas Holidays

### JANUARY

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> – School reopens

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> – Grand Opera House 12.15 pm start for those children going to Opera House.



**PUMPKIN COMPETITION**    Thank you to the PTA for our very successful Halloween Events.

**P1 class winners**

- 1<sup>st</sup>     Sol Fowles
- 2<sup>nd</sup>     Thea Steele
- 3<sup>rd</sup>     Rosie O'Reilly

**P2 class winners**

- 1<sup>st</sup>     Eva Campbell
- 2<sup>nd</sup>     Jessica Harrison
- 3<sup>rd</sup>     Caleb Dawson

**P3 class winners**

- 1<sup>st</sup>     James Horner
- 2<sup>nd</sup>     Andrew Cameron
- 3<sup>rd</sup>     Poppy Fowles

**P4 class winners**

- 1<sup>st</sup>     Emily Campbell
- 2<sup>nd</sup>     Freya Fitzpatrick
- 3<sup>rd</sup>     Sofia Murray

**P5 class winners**

- 1<sup>st</sup>     Layla Hill
- 2<sup>nd</sup>     Alicia Logue
- 3<sup>rd</sup>     Olivia McMaw

**P6 class winners**

- 1<sup>st</sup>     Zoe McIntyre
- 2<sup>nd</sup>     Charlie Rice
- 3<sup>rd</sup>     Sophie Culbert

**P7 class winners**

- 1<sup>st</sup>     Riley Nellins
- 2<sup>nd</sup>     Brooke Millar
- 3<sup>rd</sup>     Martha Glover