

# EDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

## JANUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER

**OPERA HOUSE – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024** Arrangements for our annual outing to the Opera House are as follows. Those children who are not attending the event will not come to school at all. Children attending, will **come to school at 12.15 pm** and enter by the front door, going straight to the Assembly Hall. Children should wear full school uniform. We will **return to school at 4.15 pm. Please do not park in the Larne Road layby or collect your child from the Larne Road,** as this area must be kept clear for the buses returning. Your child will be walked up through the school grounds to the Edenvale Avenue gate for collection. **CHILDREN SHOULD BRING A SNACK WITH THEM. NO DRINKS ALLOWED.**

**CHRISTMAS FAIR** Thank you to all who supported this event. I am sure you will all agree it was an excellent evening which raised approximately £1,900.00, including ballot sales.

**CAROL SERVICE CHARITY COLLECTION** Thank you to all who contributed to the Charity Collection at the Carol Service at St Colman's Church. The sum of £344.12 was raised.

**NEW INTAKE** The forms for children starting in Primary 1 in September 2024 are available online at [www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions](http://www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions) from Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January with a closing date of Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 12.00 noon.

**RAINBOW CLASS HAMPERS** Thank you for all your donations for the class hampers. The winners of the Ballot were: Dainton P7, Logan P1, Leo P6, Ezra P4, Oliver P1, Amelia A P3, Sophia P3 and Poppy P3.

**EXAM WEEK** This will be week commencing Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024. Can I stress that it is important that, if at all possible, your child has full attendance at all times, but particularly during exam week.

**ATTENDANCE** This school has always maintained a high attendance level. We are required by the Education Authority to have an attendance level of 96%. Children who attend less than 85% are automatically referred to the Education Welfare Officer. Can I therefore encourage **continued good attendance and arrival in school on time.**

**PARENTAL INTERVIEWS** These interviews will take place from **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024 to commence at 1.05 pm each day. The school will close during this week at 1.00 pm** for all children to accommodate these interviews. Dinners will be served as normal. You will be sent details of the day and time of your interview(s) nearer the time.

**SCHOOL BOOK FAIR** The Book Fair will run from **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024.** Parents will have an opportunity of visiting the Fair when they attend their parental interviews. The children will have an opportunity each day to visit the Fair with their class. Can I recommend the Book Fair to you as they are excellent books at great value for money.

**AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS P1 – P7** Clubs will start week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> January 2023. A separate note will be issued upon our return on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

**TRANSFER PROCEDURE/SEAG** The transfer test result date is Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2024. The online portal for post-primary applications will open on 30<sup>th</sup> January and close on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024.



**SCHOOL OPEN NIGHTS PRIMARY 7 CHILDREN** During the month of January 2024 various schools will be holding Open Evenings. Further information can be obtained from relevant School websites.

**TRANSFER CLUB** It is my intention to once again hold a Transfer Club in school for Primary 6 children. A separate note will be issued to the Primary 6 class regarding this.

**DATES TO NOTE:**

**JANUARY**

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>**

**School reopens**

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Opera House**

**FEBRUARY**

**5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Parent Interviews & Book Fair**

**12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Half Term**

**MARCH/APRIL**

**28<sup>th</sup> March – 10<sup>th</sup> April**

**Easter Holidays**

**11<sup>th</sup> April**

**School Reopens**

**MAY**

**6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Public Holiday and Exceptional Closure**

**27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Bank Holiday and Exceptional Closure**