

## SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents & Friends

As summer days cede into autumn, I hope that you had a restful summer break and are looking forward to the new academic year 2017/18 and all the wonderful learning that will take place at Edwards Primary School and within its community.

As you will be aware from the media schools are facing significant budget cuts which will be detrimental to children. Urgent action is required by those in power to address this situation so I would ask you to lobby your political representatives so that money deducted from school budgets may be reinstated. In the past it was always Health and Education but somehow now we only hear about Health, Education has been dropped.

Congratulations to Mrs Walsh who won the Enthuse national award for STEM primary teacher of the year in July at the House of Commons in London. What an amazing achievement for Mrs Walsh and the team at Edwards. As parents you are so lucky to have such highly skilled staff involved in educating your children. We wish Mrs Walsh every success as she journeys to Canada for a career break.

**Dates for your diary are as follows:-**

<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Year 4 shared education Knowing Me Knowing You Clubs to commence Yrs 4-7 3.15 – 4.15 pm</b>
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Mindfulness Programme KS2</b>
<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Year 3 pupils remain in school until 3.15 pm</b>
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Year 2 parents Linguistic Phonics training 7 pm</b>
<b>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Year 1 pupils remain in school until 2.15 pm</b>
<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Whole school Sponsored Learning Lapathon</b>
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Mrs Mckeown First Aid training</b>
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October</b>	<b>Year 1 parents Jolly Phonics training 7 pm</b>
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Whole school photographs – Family and Individuals</b>
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>School photographs – individuals and Kidzplay individuals</b>
<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Mrs Mckeown First Aid training</b>
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Nursery parents See My Word Tree Grow 7 pm</b>
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Whole school staff Child Protection training 3.30 pm</b>
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Year 4 Class Assembly Harvest</b>
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Flu Vaccine</b>
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Mrs Mckeown First Aid training</b>
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Year 4 shared education All Different, All Equal</b>
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Waterbus – KS2</b>
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Parent Interviews 6.30 – 9 pm</b>
	<b>Parent Interviews 3.30 – 5.30 pm</b>
	<b>Year 1 trip to Gortin Glen Gruffalo Trail</b>
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Mrs Warnock and Mrs Liggett Makaton training</b>
<b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October to</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
<b>Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November</b>	<b>SCHOOL REOPENS</b>

On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2017 we are hosting a Sponsored Learning Lapathon, pupils from Years 1-7 will take part. Monies raised will be used to upgrade our computer hardware. Please encourage your friends and family to support our pupils for this event.

Throughout the 2017/18 academic year I look forward to working with you and your families in the spirit of partnership and hope that by working together we can both enhance and extend the outstanding level of education delivered at Edwards. Should you have any unanswered questions or ambiguities regarding school life please do not hesitate to contact myself or another member of staff.

Wishing everyone a successful 2017/18 academic year.

Kindest regards.

**E C Robinson**  
**Principal**