

The Edison Examiner
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Special 90th Anniversary
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Ocean Week Edition!

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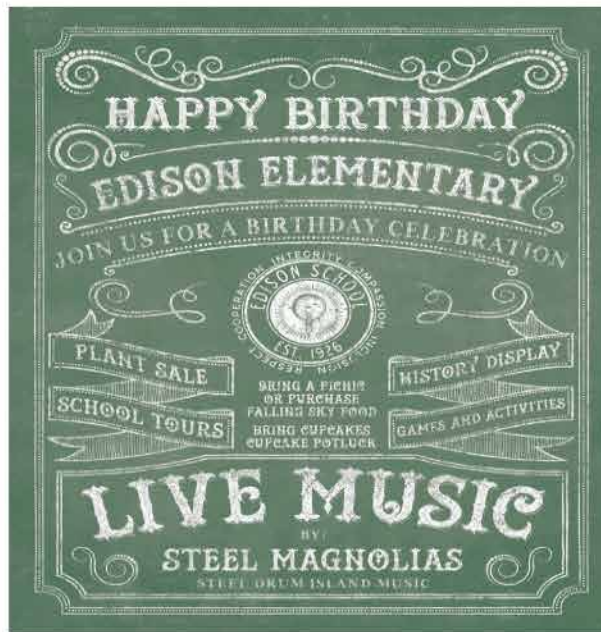
Edison's 90th Anniversary!

Edison Elementary in Eugene, Oregon is hosting it's 90th Birthday Celebration on June 3rd 2017! This festive celebration is from 11-2pm at Edison Elementary school where live music, food, school tours, a plant sale, games and activities, and a history display will be available for the community to enjoy. Come and invite your friends for this once in a lifetime event! You only turn 90 once!

Falling Sky will provide food to purchase at Edison or bring your own picnic to enjoy on the back lawn, and don't forget to bring cupcakes for the cupcake potluck!

Live music provided by Steel Magnolias Steel Drum Band and standard favorites by Edison's own Eddie Schmidt!

The school will be open for viewing with a display of Edison's unique community history and game/activities. Live plants and **limited-edition Edison 90th Anniversary T-shirts** will be available for purchase - get them before they're gone!



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Who Was Thomas EDISON

Thomas Edison is known as America's greatest inventor with over 1000 patents to his name. Some of these inventions started entire branches of industry and have their important place in the technological advancements that we see today. Our school's namesake has invented none other than the phonograph (an old fasion device used to record sound and play it back), the Kinetograph (a motion picture camera), alkaline storage batteries, and what he's most famous for; the first long lasting light bulb. That's why our school's logo often includes a light bulb.

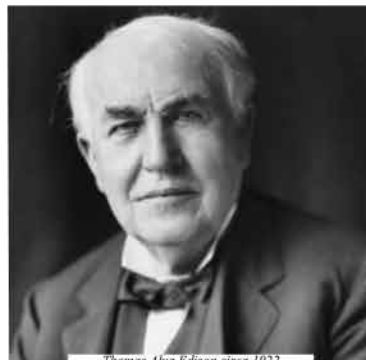
Thomas Edison was born on February 11, 1847 in Millan, Ohio and he died October 18 1931 at age 84 in West Orange, New Jersey. He was married twice and had 6 children. He was raised in Port Huron, Michigan and he was the youngest of 7 children. Thomas Edison had hearing problems at an early age as a result of scarlet fever and multiple ear infections.

Edison was mostly schooled at home after attending 12 weeks of public school when he was 7 years old. His entrepreneurial effort started at an early age selling newspapers of his own making called the *Grand Trunk Herald*. This was the beginning of Edison's acumen as a businessman, which eventually led him to found 14 companies throughout his career, including General Electric, one of the world's largest companies.

This is about the time where Edison also

started conducting experiments. His success and good fortune led him to invent a new synchronizing stock ticker, which gave him enough money to set up a small laboratory and manufacturing facility to pursue his inventions.

Edison's ability to invent in developing industries of the time and his quick business sense to create profit made him a world famous inventor with such early inventions as the phonograph. His early success and reputation as a first-rate inventor led to the Edison Illuminating Company and his desire to perfect the first commercially practical incandescent lightbulb. His legacy as an industrialist, businessman, and inventor are unsurpassed in American history.



Thomas Aiva Edison circa 1922

Whats happening at Edison

3 June - Edison 90th B-Day Party!
16 June - No School-Grading Day
21 June - 5th grade promotion
22 June - Last Day of School
23 June-5 September - Summer Break
6 September - 1st Day of School



SAVE THE DATE

Edison 90th Celebration!
Saturday June 3rd 11am-2pm

Brief History of Edison Elementary

Reprinted from SUNA website, Edited

Edison School, built in 1926, has been the centerpiece of the South University neighborhood since it opened its door to 150 students. Edison is the oldest school building in Eugene still housing classrooms for 4J District students.

Originally, Edison was a very basic design no library, no cafeteria or kitchen, no stage or auditorium, no administrative office or nursing station. No play structures, grass or trees.

The original design of the school was simple: eight classrooms forming a U-shape surrounding what today is the gymnasium. That gym area began as nothing more than a roofed-over dirt floor. Only half the current playground was developed when Edison opened; the other half included an old house foundation. There was no paved 23rd Avenue, only a muddy road that was often impassable in the winter.

The original classrooms were built to serve up to 40 students. The early Edison School had six grade levels, but no kindergarten. Through the volunteer efforts by the PTA, kindergarten was offered in the 1950s and then by 4J following a district wide election in the 1960's. While kindergarten was only



Edison Elementary (center) taken 1929

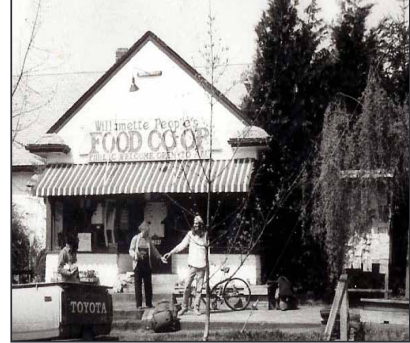
offered half day for many years due to district budget cuts, starting the fall of 2015 kindergarten has become a full time regular part of the entire 4J curriculum.

By the 1940's, increasing enrollment brought the addition of basement classrooms beneath the original three wings. The gym was enclosed and given a proper flooring. The 1950's brought even more students ready to study at Edison. Westward expansion from 1951-53 added two more classrooms as well as the library, cafeteria, kitchen, storeroom, nurse's office and auditorium.

A final spurt of growth in the 1960's added space to the south side of the building, creating more room for the library as well as additional classrooms. Edison reached its peak enrollment of more than 400 students during this time.

Generations of school children made a beeline after school to the "Little School Store" just across the street, on the northwest corner of 22nd and Emerald. The store operated from about 1926-1970.

(Pictures from SUNA website)



How did Edison get its name?

The Eugene School District asked the public for suggestions for the new school's name in 1926. The overwhelming favorite was Thomas Alva Edison, the great inventor of the early 20th century. Here (Right) is a letter Thomas Edison sent to the school thanking them for naming the school in his honor. Currently, there are many schools all over the United States still named in his honor!

The School in 2016/2017

In the 2016/2017 school year, Historic Edison School is still a thriving 4j public school with approximately 380 wonderful students, serving grades Kindergarten through 5th.

Edison is the quintessential "neighborhood school" with 85% neighborhood student attendance, approximately 70% of which bike or walk to school. Edison has and continues to educate generations of neighbors, including our principal.

Edison is a strong thriving school with several community events and fundraisers each year. There is an active volunteer parent group supporting the school, students, and it's teachers. Parents, and parent support has continued to be the secret to Edison's ongoing success. Physical Education and Music continue to be a part of the Edison curriculum and experience.

Springtime brings Ocean Week at Edison, where the whole school "goes underwater" for its marine science special events and curriculum, including field trips and in-house activities. Annually, there are a host of student activities and opportunities from the annual jog-a-thon fundraiser, to artist-in-residence programs, to extra-curricular

after-school opportunities. Edison continues to be a diverse place of learning where opportunities and enrichment positively contribute to the student body.

Edison students grow in an environment that follow the school values of **Cooperation, Compassion, Integrity, Inclusion, and Respect**. You can see these values are an important part of the school emblem and are infused in everything students do. At Edison, we care deeply about educating future citizens of the world, and our curriculum and activity choices reflect this value. Our mission is to provide an educational experience that prepares all students to be competent, compassionate, contributing members of the Edison community and inspired global citizens.

"The greatest invention in the world is the mind of a child"
~Thomas Edison

You can always find out more about Edison, or help support your neighborhood school at www.edison.4j.lane.edu.

From the Laboratory of Thomas A. Edison
Orange, New Jersey
November 22, 1926

*Mr. C.W. Mullins, Chairman
1774 Lincoln
Eugene, Oregon*

Dear Mr. Mullins:

It affords me much gratification to learn that one of your new school buildings has been named in my honor. I greatly appreciate the high compliment and thank you for (the) letter and your program which was enclosed therewith.

*Very truly yours,
Thomas A. Edison*



From Dissecting Clams...to Chowder

By: Abby Ketchum

Dissecting Clams

In Ocean Week, 3rd grade dissected clams. They did this with their 1st grade buddies. John's class did it with Laura's class and Janine's class did it with Jenny's class. Each pair was given a dead clam and a list of things to look for inside. Then they used a toothpick and started to dissect! There was a stomach, heart, gills, muscles, teeth, and lots more parts. The shell is called a bivalve. The 3rd graders



got to take home their bivalves, after they cleaned all the excess muscle off!(clam's muscles are hard to get off so they had to wash the shell to get it off.)

Making Clam Chowder

In Ocean Week, 3rd graders also made clam chowder. This involved slicing, dicing, and cooking. First, they peeled potatoes and diced them, along with bacon, onions, and celery. Then they mixed the ingredients in a pot and cooked it with milk and something else called half-and-half. Then they let it cook and ate it in the afternoon. They got crackers and they all got to try it!(except people who didn't want to try it.) Some people thought it was good, some people thought it was bad, and some people thought both.

FISH PRINTING:

an Edison favorite!

By Mira Walker



Today was the day of fish printing. I was worried that I would not get a T-shirt; but I did get a T-shirt. HORRAY. After Reading Core, Math, Lunch, and Reading groups it would be time for fish printing! I could not wait, but it seemed like it took 2 days. Finally it was time for fish printing, I got ready (lined up with my T-shirt in line). We were walking to the bike cage, it(pretty noisy) into lines for fish printing. Helping with fish printing were Heather, Ezra's mom, Shawnee, Koa's mom, and Henry's mom.

Fish printing works like this:

First you line up, then you wait until it's your turn, then you watch as the adult in front of you put a real fish in a tray of black ink, then they put it on your T-shirt and tell you to move your hands around on the fish to get a good print. Once that is done, they will tell you to go to the painting area to put in words and bubbles and pictures.

Once you finish that you are told to go to your class room and read.

The Legend of the Sea Horse

By Mira Walker

What did they think...?

These are opinions from the third graders in the newspaper group!

Abby: Dissecting clams was fun and gross, but I wasn't a big fan of the clam chowder.

Maya: Dissecting clams was gross but also cool, but I thought I didn't like clam chowder but it was pretty good.

Mira: Dissecting clams was totally gross and I hated it, and the clam chowder was disgusting.

SUSHI. Love it or hate it. We made it.

By: Rory Young

(And ate it.)

"In 4th grade, there is one thing they all think about in ocean week... Sushi Making!" said Mr.Brian a 4th-grade teacher at Edison Elementary.

Did you know that Sushi began 2,000 years ago in early J {PD-1923} apan? Sushi making started when people began to grow rice. Soon everyone was adding new ingredients the rice and sushi became very popular. Sushi was popularized in the U.S at around 1950. Soon all fourth graders would know that on Friday, April 28, when Anne, Brian, and Sarah's classes went down to the cafeteria for sushi making.

I would like to give special thanks to Sachi who has been coming here many years to teach us about sushi. When Sachi was quizzing us at what we knew about sushi we knew that there were more than 2 types of sushi. I would also like to thank Eiko San who has also been showing us how to

make the tofu and the sushi. After that Eiko-san showed us how we would put the ingredients in the sushi and the tofu.

Then we started making it. We had a blast! In my opinion, the Nori sushi was better than the tofu but some thought different. Perrin Terhes in Mr.Brian's class said "The Nori sushi was okay but I liked the tofu better". Berkeley Knightsheer from Ms. Sarah's class said, "I did not like the tofu, but I really liked the Nori Sushi!"

Andrew Thoennes from Ms. Anne's class gave us a word of warning. He said, "I just ate a spoonful of wasabi sauce with my Nori sushi and my eyes are watering like never before and I have a stomach ache." Hopefully, we know to never do that!

We had a really fun time with sushi making, and we are excited for the 3rd graders next year to be able to have lots of great experiences with Sushi

Once upon a time there was a little purple seahorse named Aqua. She had three seahorse friends named Splash, Marine, and Glitter. Splash was dark blue, Marine was magenta, and Glitter was a sparkly gold. Our four friends lived off the bay of Mexico, in a beautiful coral reef. One day Aqua, Splash, Marine, and Glitter were singing songs to each other. Splash made the funniest song "I'm a little seahorse, swimming in the water." she sang. Aqua laughed so hard that soda almost came out of her nose, and Marine and Glitter fell to the seafloor laughing. The rest of the day went well.

That night Aqua had a dream about The Legend of The Sea Horse.

She dreamed that she was The Queen of The Sea, but she wasn't a seahorse, she was a white horse with a rainbow mane, magical horn and wings. She had a throne made out of gold coral and seashells.

Her army didn't have many knights, but they did have two large sea dragons, one male and one female, the ale's name is Pike, and the female's name Tsunami. Every few months they would be put in a large dome-shaped cage and would be left alone for a long time. By the time winter ended and spring was about to begin, Aqua checked on the sea

dragons. Her mouth dropped open, her eyes became impossibly wide. Guess what happened?

If you guessed that they mated you're right! Pike and Tsunami had given birth to a baby sea dragon, we call her Emma. Unlike her parents Emma's scales were purple and a gold yellowish color. She wasn't even a sea dragon, Emma is a sky dragon, Goddess of The Skies. Sky dragons are the most Powerful dragons and can start tornadoes. Since Emma is a sky dragon, she will be sent to Glitter, Queen of the sky. And if you're wondering about Marine and Splash, they are queens too. Marine is Queen of Fire, and Splash is Queen Of The Earth. They also changed their names too, so it's Flame, The Queen of Fire, Sky, Queen of Skies, and Rocky, Queen of The Earth.



What is Seafoam Anyway?

By: Aniela Szymanski

Sea foam is two things. One, Sea foam is the most beautiful color on earth. 2, it basically is ocean foam. It is created by the agitation of seawater. It ends up washed up on the beach. And when the wind blows, it looks like cotton balls blowing in the wind.

Artist in Residence ...Silk Painting

By Abby Ketchum

At Edison this year, Treetop Academics (lead by Jason Aulicino) has been offering an artist in residence program. In each grade, every student made an individual silk painting. Then every class worked on two different giant silk banners for their habitat from ocean week.

In each grade, they went through several steps in making their own painting such as: First they drew a picture on paper with a pencil, then they went over it with sharpie, then they drew the same picture on a silk board with a pencil; that is a piece of silk on a piece of cardboard, then they used gutta glue to go over the pencil on the silk. Gutta is a very sticky glue that keeps paint from leaking around the silk since the paint spreads. When the gutta was dry, you would paint with silk paints (very watery) then, all done! Everyone would work together on the big class paintings and we have a great time.

We were lucky to have Jason teach us how to do all of these fun activities. In 1st grade we learn about ponds, 2nd grade is sandy beaches, 3rd grade is wetlands, 4th grade is kelp forest, and 5th graders are the open ocean.



What is a Blue Dragon?

Perrin Terhes

Have you ever heard of a little, blue, slug like, animal that spends its life floating with the current upside down called the Blue Dragon also known as Sea Swallow, Blue Sea Slug, and the Blue Ocean Slug? You would probably think this beautiful sea creature would be no harm to humans but the Blue Dragon has a powerful sting that they get from the jellyfish they eat.

The Blue Dragon doesn't just eat jelly fish. This amazing little mollusk goes after the Portuguese Man-o-War. The Blue Dragon is immune to the Portuguese Man-o-War's sting and poison and it's able to process the poison and make it into its own. This makes the Blue Dragon even more deadly.

Earth Day Riddles

By: Darcie Henley

How do trees get on the internet?...
They log in.

"I have an obsession with wind farms." "Really?" "Yes. I'm a huge fan."

What did one lightning bolt say to the other lightning bolt?... You're shocking!

How can you tell the ocean is friendly?... It waves.

What's a tornado's favorite game?... Twister

What did the ground say to the earthquake?... You crack me up!
Why is grass so dangerous?...
Because it's full of blades.

What's the biggest moth in the world?... A mammoth!

Why are recycle bins optimistic?...
Because they're full of cans.

What's the difference between weather and climate?... You can't weather a tree, but you can climate.

THE DOLPHIN STORY

By: Abby Ketchum

Once there was a dolphin. Her name was Jazzy. She lived in a little sea cave down in the sunny blue waters of Hawaii. She loved to swim and play with her friends Spike and Bubbles.

One day she woke up feeling like there was something important that was supposed to happen today. She swam up to her favorite spot to catch fish in the morning and where she always met Spike and Bubbles. But when she got there, no one was there!

Suddenly, Spike and Bubbles popped out from behind a rock and yelled, "SURPRISE!" "Happy birthday!" "Oh yeah!" said Jazzy. "My birthday is today! I forgot!"

"So, what are we going to do?" Asked Jazzy. "You'll see," Said Bubbles. Jazzy followed Spike and Bubbles up to the surface of the ocean. Then, they saw a little fish swim by. Then another. And another. Then tons and tons of fish swam by. "We're going to swim with the school of fish and try to dodge them! Remember when we played that when we were little?"

Said Spike. Then Jazzy said, "Oh yeah! It was so fun!" "Then we better get started," Said Bubbles. Then they joined the school of fish and began dodging their way through.

"That was so fun," Said Jazzy. "I agree," Said Spike. "Me three," Said Bubbles. Then they continued swimming toward the place where they would sleep tonight. Then they said, "Want to race?" Then they swam so fast they fell asleep in the middle of the ocean.

They woke up feeling happy. Then they went to go catch fish and get seaweed. "Do you want to go play at the dolphin park?" Asked Spike. "Okay!" Said Jazzy. Bubbles nodded. Then they headed to the park. "Ow! What was that?" Said Jazzy. "Sorry!" "Waves? Oh, hi." They all waved their fins. "Do you want to play tag?" Asked Bubbles. "Okay!" Said Jazzy. Then Spike and Waves joined in. They decided to have fun and not poke each other for a while.

P.S. Waves is a blow fish.



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Why did the sun go to school?... To get brighter.

How do you cut a wave in half?...
Use a sea saw.

What did the tree wear to the pool party?... Swim trunks!

What did one volcano say to the other volcano?... I lava you!

What kind of hair do oceans have?... Wavy!

Do bees fly in the rain?... Not without their yellow jackets!

What kind of plants grow on your hand?... Palm tree.

What do you call a rooster that crows every morning?... An alarm cluck!

Why are people always tired on Earth Day?... Because they just finished a long March

A Last Word From Our 5th Grade Editors: Part 1...



Tessa MacMaster

I'm Tessa MacMaster and I'm in Carrie Ann Naumoff's fifth grade classroom. I was in Jen Berglund's kindergarten class. I have been at Edison for six years. It has been my home since I was about two years old and was walking around my brother's classroom. I'm very excited for Roosevelt, and I'm excited to get into a larger school environment. I hope that fourth graders can carry the duty of being a fifth grader for the months to come.

From the people and teachers, to the school itself, I love this school so much. At Roosevelt, I will get new experiences that I wait for anxiously, but I am ready for the change.

Did you guys know this is the only school in 4j school district that does ocean week? You will get experiences here that you can get nowhere else. I have made lifelong friends at Edison that will be with me for all my days. I hope everyone understands how lucky they are to be able to go to this school.

As summer approaches, I realize how I'm never going to get to have this again, never seeing friends from different grades in the hall, eating lunch with friends, everything... I love this school. My years at Edison have been so amazing. I met so many amazing friends, so many teachers I will remember for the rest of my life, and most of all, I have gotten the education many people hope to have. I love this school so much!



Ashlyn Ensminger

Hi, my name is Ashlyn Ensminger, I am in 5th grade, and I have Susan Dwoskin as my teacher. This year I will be graduating and this fall I will be going to Roosevelt Middle School.

I moved here from California in the summer before 2nd grade so I did experience a different elementary school before Edison. Edison has been my favorite school, by far. There really is a great community, wonderful staff, a cool principal who sings and plays guitar to us, and well...there are so many amazing things about this school I can't even to list them all.

One of my favorite memories about Edison has been Field Day at the end of the year. But, this year I am going to a water park called Splash instead of going to field day, as all 5th graders do. I am sure it will be fun.

I also love Ocean Week and there is not another school that has a week like this. All of the fun and colorful crafts the school is decorated with are different every year, and every year the different grades do cool activities about the Ocean.

There are also many fun activities for different grades at Edison like fieldtrips, the Jog-a-Thon, Reading Olympics, and the Art Walk. They are really awesome and memorable, and I am so glad that they are part of our learning. Without interacting activities a school would just be boring or dull. These different activities are not always the longest period of time, but they are super fun while they last!

Like I said before, I am graduating elementary school and going into middle school. It is going to feel weird not to be at Edison and to not be at a school with younger children. I am going into middle school where I will be the youngest, will have a locker, and I am a little nervous.

I have absolutely loved being at Edison, but there is nothing I can do to stop growing up and moving on. I am ready for a different school but I will always LOVE Edison Elementary School!



Celia Sherman

My name is Celia Sherman, I'm in 5th grade this year, and I have been here since 1st grade. It's kind of scary thinking that after the school year ends I will never go to school here again. On the other hand, it's kind-of-exiting to go to middle school. I'm going to miss, and not miss Edison. I'm going to miss Edison because of Ocean Week. I don't think I will ever go to another school that has a whole week dedicated to different water habitats. I loved doing all the hands-on, fun activities.

Another thing I love about Edison is field day. I loved going outside and playing games at the end of the year. I always have so much fun with my friends. My favorite subject this year was reading especially novel groups, because we read really great books, and have cool discussions about them.

Some advice for other Edison students is to savor being here and savor being little because once you get older you have to make bigger, harder decisions, and always know that whatever happens everything will be okay.

The Story of Bob the Meatball

By Abby Ketchum

One day, bob was sitting in a bag in the freezer with his buddies. He was also sitting with his friend Hammy the hamburger.

One other day, bob heard footsteps. He worried that someone was going to eat him. Bob was trying as hard as he could to scream, but Bob could not. Bob did not have a mouth and so Bob decided to try to run away, but Bob could not. Bob did

“Why did they have to chose me, thought Bob?”

not have legs. He was also in the freezer with the door shut. He was also in a bag. It was sealed shut.

Bob was scared. Now He was in the microwave, get-

ting cooked. Why did they have to choose me, thought Bob? Suddenly, the microwave door opened. Bob was brought to the table. Then they were about to eat him...

The end...or is it????

Bob had just rolled off the person's fork and onto the floor. The dog was walking toward Bob, and Bob

was trying to roll around. Suddenly, Bob sprouted legs! He was so grateful he jumped around. The person who had tried to eat Bob had fainted.

Bob was running toward the freezer. Luckily, the person had left a tall footstool by the open freezer. Bob jumped as hard as could and landed on the edge of the footstool. Then he jumped again and landed

in the freezer.

He was so happy to see Hammy the hamburger. Then he unzipped the bag with his feet, which was really hard, and plopped back in. He was happy to see all his meatball buddies. From now on, Bob stayed in the back of the bag.

The end...this time for real!!!!



A Last Word From Our 5th Grade Editors: Part 2...



Neci Pfeiffer

Edison is a fun school. I moved here in the 4th grade. I loved learning about the Bill of Rights. My favorite Amendments are the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th. But I loved the teacher who taught us about it. His name is Dr. Art Pearl. He taught us in a way that everyone could understand. I also loved all the fun activities at Edison. There is a time in every year when we have a week different from any other week, called ocean week. The fifth graders dissect squid, first with teachers help and then with their second grade buddies. Everyone is learning about a different part of the ocean. Ocean week is fun - lots of fun.

Another thing that makes school fun is the staff, like the outside duties: Joe, Steven, and Heather. They make it fun because they help with problems so you can have a good time at recess. I also appreciate Shelby on lunch duty. She is kind. And if you forget how to behave in the lunch room she will give you a light reminder. Shelby, Joe, Heather and Steven do reading groups and they work hard to make every kid's day brighter. On Fridays we have a fun thing called Frank Friends day where you can play cool games with friends. I am going to miss Edison a lot.



Aniela Szymanski

Hi! My name is Aniela Szymanski, and I have been here at Edison since kindergarten. I will always remember Edison because of Ocean week. It has always been my favorite Edison "holiday" because of all the habitat hats. It has always been my favorite thing in Ocean week, right next to the giant jellyfish in the lobby. In kindergarten, I was always scared of the jellyfish. I thought it was going to start coming toward me and eat me or something.

I will also remember Edison because of the wonderful food. Chef Ray is "da bomb" at cooking our cafeteria food. I am also really grateful for having Susan Dwoskin as my 5th grade teacher. She gave me a lot of confidence about math (my worst subject) and now I'm really good at it! I like Susan because she's a funny, nice, and a really awesome person to be around.

I'm also going to miss all of the great teachers that I've had, and all of the fun things I've done at Edison. I hope that all of the future fifth graders have as much of a fun experience as I did at Edison.



Grace Howells

I am a fifth grader here at Edison. I have been at Edison since kindergarten. I've been through every ocean week theme, all the field trips, and now I can't believe I'm leaving Edison. I'll be going to middle school next year. Looking back at my years at Edison doesn't seem that long ago, but it's been six years. Edison is a really cool school. We get to learn about a lot of things other kids don't learn because their school doesn't teach it. In Susan's fifth grade class we get to learn about our constitutional rights which not a lot of people learn about. Fifth grade is a pretty cool year, but you still have a lot of responsibility. I came to Edison in kindergarten as a shy 5-year old and now I'm a fifth grader about to go to a whole new school, just like before I came to Edison for kindergarten. Just as a head's up to fourth graders: fifth grade is a fun year, but it is hard work. I am the youngest out of three kids, so I'm the last one in my family to be at Edison, so technically once I leave Edison, everything about Edison will be behind me.

I hope you have had a good time at Edison so far, even if this is your first year here. If it is, I bet you will love Edison. I will definitely miss Edison school. All the field trips, all the people in the other grades, and all my friends that are not going to the same middle school as me. And I bet you too will miss Edison when you are gone.

A Note from the Editor...

JASON AULICINO
Editor

This was a great year for our first edition of the Edison Examiner. We have a total of five volumes with dozens of pages of reporting, stories, and pictures. We tried to report on the happenings of Edison and things that Edison students/parents found important, including Ocean Week and the 90th anniversary. At the same time we tried to keep it a student newspaper. We sincerely hope you enjoyed the articles we included, and please watch for our publications next year.

2017/18 Student sign-up for the Edison Examiner can be found at www.treetopacademics.com

About this edition:

The first two pages of this edition were distributed to the community during the anniversary celebration. We included subsequent pages for the "at school" Edison version. What you see in this edition is a combination of those two.

5th grade Editors:

The final pages of this edition are dedicated to our 5th grade student editors who have worked tirelessly every Friday after-school (and beyond) to help create this student newspaper. They have some final words about their experiences at Edison they would like to pass along.

They were a hard working bunch (*when they weren't goofing around*) without whom, this paper would not have the diversity of articles and experiences. It will be difficult to let them go, but we will them the best in 6th grade and beyond.

Next Year's Newspaper:

For the 2017/2018 academic year, we will be accepting student editors who are in 3rd-5th grade. This is an after-school class that meets Fridays from 2:45-4pm. The Edison Examiner is run by Treetop Academics and sign-up for the class can be found at www.TreetopAcademics.com.

We do accept guest contributions throughout the year as well, but the majority of the content comes from our student writers.

If you have a talent or interest in writing, we encourage you to join our team for the upcoming year.

The rest of the Edison Examiner Staff:

On the writing staff, we have 3rd and 4th grade contributors, as well. We would like to thank them for all their effort, goofy stories, and light-hearted contributions. They have continued to make our newspaper truly, kid-friendly!

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