

Emscote Express

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Diary dates

2018



18th Oak Year 1 Sharing Assembly
School Disco

21st Royal Wedding Celebration

25th Holly Sharing Assembly

28th May – 1st June HALF TERM

June

4th Inset Day – school closed

5th RETURN TO SCHOOL

6th Class photos

8th Cherry Sharing Assembly

11th Book Fair (until 15th June)

15th Father's Day Breakfast, 8.30am

20th Festival of Running

21st Meeting for new Reception parents, 6pm

22nd Willow Sharing Assembly

Gallone's Ice Cream workshop

27th Warwickshire School Transition Day

29th School Summer Trip to Twycross Zoo

July

2nd Chatter Matters meeting for new parents 6pm

9th Year 2 Concert, 9.30am

4th Sports Day & picnic in playground

11th Year 2 Concert & BBQ, 5.30pm

12th Whole school picnic

7th Emscote Infant School Summer Fair

20th TERM FINISHES

September

3rd Inset day – school closed

4th RETURN TO SCHOOL – Years 1 & 2

Playground equipment

Please note that our play equipment is not supervised outside of school hours.

Before school – no play equipment may be used.

After school - children using it do so at their own risk and must be supervised by an adult.

Thank you for your co-operation



Royal Wedding Celebration

On Monday 21st May, we shall mark the occasion of Prince Harry's wedding with some fun activities and a wedding re-enactment here in school. All children can dress up as a prince or princess, and we will enjoy a Royal Lunch of party food that we can eat outside if the weather is fair.



Please park courteously!

A reminder to consider our pupils safety and local residents when you park near school.



Hot lunches in the holidays

All Saints' Church are taking part in the 'Make Lunch' scheme to provide hot meals for families in need during school holidays. Please let the office know if you think you would like to take part.

Friday 18th May

4.00pm to 5.30pm

Entry £3.00 (inc. packet of crisps and bottle of drink)

Glow sticks on sale at the door

Raising Online Safety Awareness: Awareness, Action, Talk

Keeping your child safe Online

As part of our efforts to keep everyone in our school community safe online, all parents are invited to the above workshop. Please call All Saints' Junior School on 01926 492991 to book your place.

Date: Thursday 10th May

Time: 9:15am

Venue: All Saints Junior School

Replies by: Friday 4th May

Running fun for the Bank Holiday

Kenilworth Mayday Races School Challenge
Monday May 7th 2018

The Mayday races will be held in Abbey Fields on May Bank Holiday Monday and includes events for all the family over parkland and footpaths.

Family Fun Run – 11:30am

The 1 mile fun run is suitable for all ages and standards of runners. All runners will receive a medal and the entry price is just £3 per runner. Prizes for first, second and third place child under eleven.

Enter at www.mayday-10k.co.uk

Thank you to parent and orthopaedic surgeon Mr Shah, for coming into school this week and teaching us all



about bones.



Warwick in Bloom

Mini garden competition

As part of Warwick in Bloom, all children are invited to enter our Mini Garden Competition. Make a special garden in a seed tray or other small container, and there will be awards for all entries, and three prizes for the most imaginative gardens. All entries to be brought to school on **Friday 22nd June**. The winners will be announced on Warwick in Bloom judging day **Monday 2nd July**.

Thank you Mrs Duckett

Earlier this week Mrs Duckett came into school to help some reception children do some planting in preparation for Warwick in Bloom. Everyone had a lovely time so thank you Mrs Duckett.



Key Stage 1 Testing

Information for Year 2 parents

Please see page 3 of this newsletter for some information from the Standards & Testing Agency.

Family Learning Sessions

We will be running some family learning sessions which help parents support their children with various subjects. We will invite parents we think will be interested.

Could your company help our school?

We are always striving to give the children here at Emscote Infant School extra opportunities and equipment. With the squeeze on school budgets we would like to ask if your company has a corporate social responsibility (CSR) policy? Would they consider sponsorship or grants for school projects? Or could they supply staff manpower for projects? If you think your company could help, please contact Mr Queralt.

Emscote Express Book Corner

Every issue, we ask a member of staff to tell us about their favourite book. This issue's guest in the Book Corner is **Mrs Sargeant** who works hard in the office keeping school organised.

Title of Book

My Friend Bear

What's it about?

Eddy and Bear both want a friend and wish their teddies could talk. But maybe they can.....

Why is it your favourite book?

Because it's magical when Eddy and Bear find each other as friends!



Key stage 1 tests – year 2 pupils

Your child's teacher is responsible for judging the standards your child is working at in English, maths and science, by the end of key stage 1. To help inform those judgements, pupils sit national curriculum tests in English and maths, commonly called SATs. They may also sit an optional test in English grammar, punctuation and spelling.

The tests are a tool for teachers to help them measure your child's performance and identify their needs as they move into key stage 2. They also allow teachers to see how your child is performing against national expected standards.

The tests can be taken any time during May and they are not strictly timed. Pupils may not even know they are taking them as many teachers will incorporate them into everyday classroom activities.

Subject	Test paper
English reading	Short text and questions Long text with separate questions
Mathematics	Arithmetic Mathematical reasoning
English grammar, punctuation and spelling (optional test)	Spelling Punctuation and grammar (including vocabulary)

Teachers will use the results from these tests, along with the work your child has done throughout the year, to help them reach their own judgements about how your child is progressing at the end of key stage 1.

These teacher assessment judgements will be reported to you by the end of the summer term.



How can you help your child to prepare?

Teachers will make sure all pupils in their class are prepared for the tests. There's nothing specifically test-related that you should do to prepare your child.

You should follow the general advice teachers give about supporting your child's education throughout the year.

What do the tests look like?

You can look at [past papers](#) by clicking on the hyperlink or searching online at www.gov.uk/STA.

Further information

Your child's teacher will be able to answer any questions you may have about the tests and teacher assessment judgements.

For more details you can visit www.gov.uk/STA or watch our [short videos](#) for parents about the tests at key stage 1 and key stage 2.