



EMSCOTE INFANT SCHOOL

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Summer Term 2016

Newsletter no. 10 – 10th June 2016

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school and to one of the busiest times of the year, so get your diary ready!

Sharing Assemblies

The sharing assemblies this term will be on the following Friday mornings at 9.15am:

21st June (Tuesday) Oak (Y1 only)

24th June Cherry

Dining Al Fresco

From next week children who take school meals will have a picnic lunch provided by the kitchen on a Wednesday so they can eat outside, weather permitting.

Mr Hussey Running For Charity

Mr Hussey will be taking part in the 10km Two Castles Run this **Sunday 12th June**, raising funds for Birmingham Children's hospital. If you are watching look out for him and cheer him on. So far he has raised £1,200; if you would like to sponsor Mr Hussey please see his JustGiving page www.justgiving.com/mrhussey2castles where you can make a donation.

Class Photographs

Class photographs will be taken on **Monday 13th June**. Please make sure the children come to school smartly dressed in the correct uniform.

Book Fair

We will be hosting a Book Fair in school between **13th - 16th June**. If you can spare 30 minutes after school to help with this please do let me know.

New Parents Evening

A meeting for parents of children starting school in September will be held on **Thursday 16th June** at 6.00pm.

Support the Sea Scouts

The 2nd Warwick Sea Scouts is seeking local community support to help them in gaining £150,000 from Jewson's Building Better Communities Fund. The money would be used to build a new scout hut and community room in St Nicholas Park Warwick. To help them win this fund they need as many votes as possible by **19th June**. All you need to do is go to www.2wk.org.uk and click the link to vote via Facebook. Lots of local youngsters benefit from this group so please spare two minutes to help them win.

The Sound of Emscote

The school choir will be performing at the Warwick Schools' Midsummer Concert at St Mary's Church on **Tuesday 21st June**. The event is organised by The Rotary Club of Warwick in partnership with the County Music Service, and provides a marvellous opportunity for Warwick schools to showcase the musical talents of their pupils. Do come along and see our wonderful choir in action. The concert will run between 6.30 – 8.00pm; tickets will be available from Miss McLean in Maple class from Monday next week.

Non-uniform Day

The children can come to school in their own clothes on **Friday 24th June** in return for a donation for the Summer Fair tombola. Please do not donate chocolate or anything else that might suffer if it is a hot day.

Transition Day

Transition Day, when all the children spend a day in their new classes for next year, is on **Wednesday 29th June**. This is the day the new reception children visit Emscote and year 2 visits All Saints' CofE Junior School. All year 2 children will need a packed lunch on this day. If you would like your child to have that lunch provided by our school kitchen please let the office know by **Wednesday 22nd June**.

Warwick in Bloom

It is that time of year again when we make every effort to make our grounds stand out ready to be judged for Warwick in Bloom. We would like the children to have a go at creating a garden in a tray; if you do not have a tray Mrs Fawbert has some she can lend you. Please bring their creation, clearly marked with your child's name, to school by **Thursday 30th June**. Judging takes place on **Monday 4th July**. The three best tray gardens will receive a prize.

Whole School Trip

The whole school trip this year is to Cotswold Wildlife Park and takes place on **Friday 1st July**. The trip will depart at 9.00am promptly so please make sure your child is in school early on that day. The cost of the trip is £12.00; thanks to the generosity of the Friends the trip has been subsidised to keep the price down. A letter will be sent home today with full details.

Last Clubs

The last week for clubs is that commencing **Monday 4th July**.

Summer Fair

The Friends of Emscote Infant School Summer Fair will take place on **Saturday 2nd July** between 12 – 2.00pm. A list of activities and where help is needed will go up in the foyer nearer the time. Please do pop in and have a look at the list to see if there is anything you can do. Donations of home produce, cakes and biscuits would be gratefully received; please bring them to school on Friday 1st July or on the morning of the event. Also the Friends are looking for raffle prizes and would be grateful if you could ask, if suitable, whether your employer would care to donate anything

Waving Goodbye

Year 2 will be performing their special leavers' concert for their parents at 6.00pm on **Wednesday 6th July**, and the concert will be followed by a BBQ. Details of this will be sent to year 2 parents shortly.

Sports Day

Sports Day will be held on **Wednesday 13th July** starting at 10.00am (weather permitting – reserve sports day is **Friday 15th July**) at All Saints' CofE Junior School. You are invited to join us at All Saints' for the event and then return afterwards to Emscote to have a picnic lunch with your child. All children will need a packed lunch on that day. If you would like your child to have a lunch provided by the school kitchen please let the office know by **Wednesday 6th July**.

Teddy Bear's Picnic

The school council is arranging a Teddy Bear's Picnic on **Wednesday 20th July**, to help raise funds for Birmingham Children's Hospital. Pupils can bring their teddies to school and £1 donation; the whole school will then be walking to the park for the picnic.

Water Bottles

We encourage the children to drink plenty of water during the day, particularly now as the weather warms up. I would ask you to make sure your child has a named water bottle in school at all times. They are available to purchase from the school office at 30p each.

Hats and Sunscreen

Also with the sunny weather upon us could I ask you to apply sunscreen to your child before school and to send them with appropriate headwear; they can have a named bottle of suntan cream in their bookbags if you think they would need to re-apply at lunch time.

100 Club winners

The winners of The Friends of Emscote Infant School 100 Club May draw were Mrs Kaur and Mr Maxwell.

Book Club Administrators

We would like to say a big thank you to Louisa Clarkson and Louise Stephenson who have voluntarily run our Friday afternoon book club for years, but are now retiring. The children love it and we really appreciate their time and effort. We are seeking two new volunteers to take this on. It can be run at another time to suit you; do ask at the office for more details if you think you can help.

Stranger Awareness

We teach the children the principles of stranger awareness as part of the Taking Care Scheme. While we do not teach them blanket stranger danger messages (as sometimes a "safe" stranger is a better option than not talking to anyone) we do clarify the stranger issue as there are situations we may want to warn children about for their own safety:

- not to get in a car with anyone (NOT just someone they don't know) unless their parent/guardian knows who/where/when etc, and has given permission
- not leaving school with someone other than who they were expecting unless their parent/guardian knows who/where/when etc and has given permission and they have checked with a school staff member
- not to walk off with anyone (NOT just someone they don't know) unless their parent/guardian knows who/where/when etc and has given permission
- if someone tries to grab them it is ok to break all the rules of politeness to others, for example scream, kick, punch, bite etc; whatever they need to do to draw attention to themselves and alert others to the fact they are in danger.

We would ask you to reinforce these lessons with your children at home.

May Attendance and Lateness

Class	Attendance	Lates	Class	Attendance	Lates
Willow	96.4%	5	Apple	97.8%	14
Cherry	92.2%	14	Holly	93.3%	5
Chestnut	95.1%	10	Maple	96.6%	11
Oak	96.6%	10	Sycamore	94.5%	11

Well done to Apple for achieving the highest percentage attendance in May, and to Willow and Holly for having the least number of lates last month.

Please can I remind everyone that as well as arriving at school punctually the children should be dressed appropriately in the correct uniform.

Yours sincerely,

J Queralt

Jon Queralt
Associate Headteacher

Diary

June

12 th	Two Castles Run
13 th	Class photographs
13 th	Book Fair starts
16 th	Book Fair ends
17 th	Father's Day breakfast
21 st	Oak year 1 sharing assembly, 9.15am
24 th	Cherry sharing assembly, 9.15am

July

1 st	Whole-school trip
2 nd	Summer Fair, 12.00 – 2.00pm
5 th	Year 2 picnic at All Saints'
6 th	Year 2 leavers' concert 6.00pm
13 th	Sports day
15 th	Reserve sports day
20 th	Walk to park and Teddy Bear's Picnic
21 st	Leavers assembly church service, 9.15am
22 nd	End of Term

September

5 th	BACK TO SCHOOL
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