

## Summer Term 2016

Newsletter no. 9 – 6<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Dear parents,

### Kind Donation

Thanks to a generous anonymous donor we will be able to contribute some funds to support the whole-school trip in July.

### Friends Meeting

The next meeting of the PTA, the Friends of Emscote Infant School, will take place on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm. Please come and support our school.

### Sharing Assemblies

The sharing assemblies this term will be on the following Friday mornings at 9.15am. **Please note changes:**

13 <sup>th</sup> May	Apple
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Holly
27 <sup>th</sup> May	Chestnut
10 <sup>th</sup> June	Willow
21 <sup>st</sup> June (Tuesday)	Oak (Y1 only)
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Cherry

### SATs

Year 2 children will be taking part in national curriculum tests (SATs) this month. We try to make the tests just part of the normal school day and hopefully the children will be unaware that they have even taken place. It is, however, essential they attend school during this time and arrive punctually please!

### School Prayer

Anyone who is interested in praying for the life of the school is welcome to meet twice a term in the evening for prayer. The next meeting will be on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May** at 8.00pm. Please contact Suzanne Osborn ([suzanne.osb@gmail.com](mailto:suzanne.osb@gmail.com)) for further details.

### Warwick Nursery Open Morning

Warwick Nursery is holding an open morning on **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May** between 10.00 – 11.30am. This will be an opportunity to find out more about the nursery's facilities. For more information see [www.warwicknurseryschool.org](http://www.warwicknurseryschool.org).

### Disco Fever

The Friends are organising a disco for the children which will be held on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May** at 4.00pm. Tickets will be available on the door.

### School Closure

School will be closed on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June** for a teacher training day. The school will be closed to the children on this day.

### Dining Al Fresco

After half term children who take school meals will have a picnic lunch provided by the kitchen so they can eat outside, weather permitting. Every **Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> June**, the whole school will eat outside.

### **Happy Birthday Ma'am**

We will be celebrating the Queen's birthday with a celebration picnic lunch on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June**. The party food lunch will be provided by the school kitchen; please let the office know if you would prefer to provide your child's own lunch.

### **Fundraising for Birmingham Children's Hospital**

As some of you will know one of our pupils is ill and is in Birmingham Children's Hospital. We would like to support the hospital's work; Mr Hussey will be taking part in the 10km Two Castles Run on 12th June, raising funds through sponsorship. Please see Mr Hussey's JustGiving page [www.justgiving.com/mrhussey2castles](http://www.justgiving.com/mrhussey2castles) where you can make a donation.

### **Class Photographs**

Class photographs will be taken on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> 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 **13<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> 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 16<sup>th</sup> June** at 6.00pm.

### **Father's Day Breakfast**

We will be hosting a breakfast in celebration of Father's Day, where dads will have the opportunity to have a sausage bap and a cuppa with their child before setting off to work. The breakfast will take place from **8.30am on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June**. A letter with more information will come be distributed nearer the time.

### **Transition Day**

Transition Day, when all the children spend a day in their new classes for next year, is on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June**. This is also the day the new reception children visit Emscote and year 2 visits All Saints' Junior School.

### **Whole School Trip**

The whole school trip this year is to Cotswold Wildlife Park and takes place on **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July**. Please make a note of the date, further details will follow.

### **Summer Fair**

The Friends of Emscote Infant School Summer Fair will take place on **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**, between 12.00 – 2.00pm.

### **Sports Day**

Sports Day will be held on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July** starting at 10.00am (weather permitting) at All Saints' Junior School. You will be invited to bring a picnic with you to have after the Sports Day when we return to Emscote. All children will need a packed lunch on that day.

### **Waving Goodbye**

Year 2 will be performing their special leavers' concert for parents at 5.30pm on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July**, and the concert will be followed by a BBQ.

### **Parking**

I thank you for all your efforts to help avoid congestion and improve road safety around the school. Can I please ask you to avoid parking on the pavements in a way that means parents with pushchairs have to walk in the road.

### Sunny Weather

Hopefully the past couple of days signal the start of some lovely summer weather. If you think your child will need to use suntan cream at playtime please send them to school with a named bottle in their book bags. A named hat would also be useful.

### 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. You are welcome to take it home to be cleaned at any time.

### Free School Meals

If you have a child in year 2 you will need to bear in mind that when they start in year 3 in September you will have to pay for their school meals should they wish to have one. If you are currently registered for free school meals (FSM) you do not need to re-apply as your information will be transferred across automatically. New parents who are not currently in receipt of FSM but think they may now be eligible can apply for September **after Monday 4th July**. You should apply on-line

[www.warwickshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals) or through the Customer Service Centre (01926) 359189.

### April Attendance and Lateness

Class	Attendance	Lates	Class	Attendance	Lates
Willow	96.6%	11	Apple	97.5%	14
Cherry	94.6%	7	Holly	96.9%	9
Chestnut	94.7%	9	Maple	<b>97.9%</b>	13
Oak	<b>97.9%</b>	9	Sycamore	97.5%	12

Congratulations go to Maple and Oak classes for the highest percentage attendance last month, and to Cherry for the least number of lates. However, overall lates have been on the increase and I have to remind you again: **the bell is rung at 8.55am and the children must be in the playground before that time. Registers are taken as soon as the children go in to the classroom. Children arriving after 8.55 will be marked as late in the register; the registers will close at 9.10am so a child arriving after this time will be marked as "late after registers close" which is an unauthorised absence. You are also reminded that the school day ends at 3.00pm and your child should be collected promptly at this time, unless they are attending an after school club. If they are attending a club they should be collected after that at the appropriate time.**

Yours sincerely,

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