



## Edwinstree Middle School

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School

### NEWSLETTER for PARENTS & CARERS

Week Ending: 14<sup>th</sup> July 2017

#### Diary Dates:

17/7/17 Action Plan Meeting for Parents – 5pm  
20/7/17 Y8 CELEBRATION EVENING  
21/7/17 End of Term – School finishes 2:30pm  
5/9/17 Autumn Term – 8:40am

#### Outstanding Meal Payments

School meal forecast and debt letters have been sent home with pupils this week. Please ensure all payments due, up to and including the last day of term, are paid immediately. If you have an outstanding debt this must be cleared by Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July. The school reserves the right to begin formal proceedings to recover debts.

#### Music Lessons

If your child is interested in starting music instrumental lessons in September, please see information attached to the newsletter, or visit our website. We currently offer tuition on the following instruments: singing, violin, drum kit, woodwind instruments (flute, oboe, clarinet, saxophone) and brass instruments (trumpet, French horn, euphonium). Every teacher has spaces at the moment, so please return the form before end of term. so we can be organised for September. Information about hiring instruments can be found on the Hertfordshire Music Service's website:

<http://www.hertsmusicservice.org.uk>

If you have any queries, please contact Mr Rowlands, Head of Expressive Arts via the school office.

#### Landmark Bus Service 888/890

To apply for a place please visit their website at [www.landmarkhire.com](http://www.landmarkhire.com) and click on 800 Services or telephone 01462-733764.

#### Buntingford Cougars

Please click on the link below to find out more about Buntingford Cougars summer school  
<https://paysubonline.com/EventsLink/73899EE9A7608638647A545C7D5101B9.htm>

#### Action Plan meeting for Parents 17/7/17

The Action Plan meeting will explain our progress and the areas for development for the next academic year, we welcome your attendance.

#### Master Chef

During the Master Chef class run by Mr Booth a qualified chef, he reported that the students were an asset to the school during the master chef sessions, he commented on how polite, receptive and keen they all were. Some of the outcomes were amazing! It was lovely to see total independence during the competition today. The students were able to weigh the

ingredients, follow written instructions and gauge timings. I really was impressed!

The results will take place during collective worship next week The 1<sup>st</sup> prize has been confirmed to be a mixology (cocktail making) class for four and dinner for four at The Drift in Bishopsgate, 2nd and 3rd prizes will be a cook book.

#### School Meals

Hertfordshire Catering Ltd would like to ask you a few questions regarding the improvement of their provision of school meals. It would be appreciated if you would find a few minutes to complete a survey at the following link  
<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/edwinstreeparentsurvey> giving your opinion and ideas on how it could be improved.

#### SIAMS Inspection

We are pleased to release our SIAMs Inspection Report and to announce that following the recent inspection, the school received a 'Good'. This is available on our website.

#### 'Goodbye & Good Luck'

This year we say 'goodbye' and a huge 'thank you' to following teaching staff: Mrs Allan, Mrs Pike, Mr Faiz and Mrs Chant I would like to thank Mrs Allan for her tireless work in supporting myself and the school to drive everything forward. She has played a significant role in the school's journey of improvement. I will miss her dearly, and as Mrs Allan moves on to start her first primary Headship in Cambridge, we wish her well. I would also like to thank Mrs Pike on behalf of the numerous staff, past and present who have had the pleasure of working with her or being taught by her. She has been an outstanding teacher and will be greatly missed. Thank you also to Mrs Chant who supported the Science Department this year and to Mr Faiz, who has supported and led our IT systems throughout the school at the same time as he trained to teach. We wish them all the best of luck for the future.

We welcome Miss Lacey and feel privileged to have secured her as the new Year 5 teacher, who has previously worked in the Rib Valley area for a number of years.

#### Last Day of Term

On the last day of term we will be holding an outdoor end of term service with Reverend Hill. If you would like to join us, please telephone the school office on **01763-271446**, email [admin@edwinstree.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@edwinstree.herts.sch.uk)

**Jo Gant**  
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*Our faith supports each individual to flourish and challenges us to live life in all its fullness*