



Diary Dates

6/9/21	School entry and exit times 8:40am – 3:05pm
19/7/21	Y6 Day trip to Felixstowe - 4pm return Students not attending work online
20/7/21	Y5 Day trip to Felixstowe - 4pm return Students not attending work online
21/7/21	Y7 Day trip to Felixstowe - 4pm return Students not attending work online
22/7/21	End of Term 1:20pm finish
1/9/21	Inset Day
2/9/21	Inset Day
3/9/21	Induction Day for New Year 5 ONLY
6/9/21	Autumn Term begins for KS2
8/9/21	Autumn Term begins for KS3

What is the timetable for this week?

The last week of term timetable is attached and term ends on **Thursday 22/7/21 at 1:20pm**. All students are expected to attend in PE kit for the Sports Days and students can wear appropriate non-uniform clothing for the visit to Felixstowe. Please add sun cream and a hat if hot weather is predicted. We estimate to return from Felixstowe around 4pm and will Parentmail an update on the return journey. Thank you in advance to the huge number of parents who offered to support. Students not attending the trip are expected to complete distance learning, available for each year group on 'Show my Homework'. On the last day of term, please make sure students wear sensible walking shoes.

When will we receive end of year reports?

Reports will be sent home with your child at the end of term. They will explain the learning your child has completed this year, including a pastoral comment on their well-being. Year 6 reports will inform students of their new tutor group in Year 7. Please be reassured all students will be with a friend.

Who are the heads of year for September?

Our Heads of year are and their email addresses are:
Year 5: hoy5@edwinstree.herts.sch.uk - Mrs Kelly
Year 6: hoy6@edwinstree.herts.sch.uk - Mr Kelly
Year 7: hoy7@edwinstree.herts.sch.uk - Mr McCarthy
Year 8: hoy8@edwinstree.herts.sch.uk - Mr Galanides

Tutor groups will be confirmed next week.

What are the changes to the new school year in September?

- Below are the list of changes to prepare for and return us to a more “normal” school:
- Full uniform with a tie, [ties available from the school office £5] PE kit can be ordered online, please see website for details.
- Students can bring their own equipment for learning
- Books will be sent home each half term, for parents to review the learning taking place.
- Timetable returns to a 5 period day including a tutor period.
- Tutors meet their students at the start and end of the day.
- Enrichment clubs are planned to return in the second week of term, with an external drama and film club on offer.
- We plan to run a homework club on one night a week for KS2 and KS3

Will students and staff be required to test continue testing over the holidays? The latest guidance from HCC and the DFE explained: Over the summer, staff and secondary pupils should continue to test regularly if they are attending settings that remain open, such as summer schools and out of school activities based in school settings. Schools will only provide tests for twice weekly asymptomatic testing for pupils and staff over the summer period if they are attending school settings. However, testing kits will still be widely available over the summer and kits can be either collected from your local pharmacy or ordered online. As pupils will potentially mix with lots of other people during the summer holidays, all secondary school pupils should receive 2 on-site lateral flow device tests, 3 to 5 days apart, on their return in the autumn term. Settings may commence testing from 3 working days before the start of term and can stagger return of pupils across the first week to manage this. Pupils should then continue to test twice weekly at home until the end of September, when this will be reviewed. We are currently planning to invite KS3 students in to school test on 1/9/21 and 2/9/2, which for our new Year 7 this will be a new experience. We will then be required to test again onsite on 6/9/21 and 7/9/21, which means they will not be able to return until **Wednesday 8/9/21**. All students are expected to participate and the Government requires students complete two tests prior to returning to school. All students are expected to participate and will leave with testing kits to continue twice weekly testing. **Please note: Delayed start to the term for Year 7 & Year 8**

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Will the timings of the school day change in September?

Following discussions with Freman and the benefits of a shorter lunchtime, Freman have made the decision to finish at 3:15pm, and in order to avoid congestions in Bowling Green Lane, Edwinstree will finish at **3:05pm next year**. This time will not be deducted from the curriculum but from breaks and lunchtimes, which are too long. Students will have 5 x one-hour lessons, tutor time and Collective Worship.

How can you help on the last day of term?

All students will take part in an end of term walk to Aspenden, if you would like to join us please email admin@edwinstree.herts.sch.uk

	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
Registration	8.50am		8.45am	
Walk to Aspenden	9.15am	9.30am	9.45am	10.00am
Arrive at Aspenden	9.50am	10.05am	10.20am	10.35am
Arrive back at school	10.30am	10.45am	11.00am	11.15am
Break (15 mins)	10.30am	10.45am	11.00am	11.15am
Back to tutor rooms	10.45am	11.00am	11.15am	11.30am

Year 5 Photo Gallery - Photographs of our Year 5 students can be viewed on our school website www.edwinstree.herts.sch.uk under the 'New Intake September 2021' section

Who is swimming next week?

8A - Fun swim - Monday 19/7/21

Please complete the simple form in the link below in order that your child can attend:

<https://forms.office.com/r/FzkAPV18eS>

We are currently recruiting; please visit our website for more information

Jo Gant
Headteacher
End of term

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