



Diary Dates

7/6/21	School entry and exit times Y8: 8:45am - 2:50pm Y7: 8:45am - 2:50pm Y6: 8:50am - 2:55pm Y5 8:50am - 2:55pm
15/7/21	Y5 Celebration Event - Cancelled
16/7/21	Y8 Celebration Evening - Cancelled
16/7/21	Y8 Day trip to Felixstowe
19/7/21	Y6 Day trip to Felixstowe
20/7/21	Y5 Day trip to Felixstowe
21/7/21	Y7 Day trip to Felixstowe
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

Timetable Week A

I hear that other schools are starting late on Monday, what are you planning to do?

School will be open at the normal times. Over the last 15 months, we have prioritised your child's well-being. If you feel your child needs a little longer in bed after the football game on Sunday, it is your choice and we respect this, but currently we are unable to endorse it.

Important Year 6 Tuesday 13/7/21

We are sorry to inform you due to a high volume of staff absence, we are unable to find adequate supply cover for all Year 6 classes on Tuesday 13/7/21. Therefore, students in 6A, 6B, 6C and 6D will be required to stay at home and complete distance learning for the day, all work will be available on 'Show my Homework' from 8:45am. Apologies for any inconvenience.

What are the risks to the school closing now the guidance is changing?

Although social distancing measures end on 19th July, self-isolation for staff and students remains in place until the 19th August. Please have a back-up plan in the event of a positive COVID case at school. Please be aware, staff are always at risk of track and trace notification, which happened this week. As cases increase, the high demand for supply agency staff is hard, if not impossible to find and students may be required to continue distance learning at home.

For the Felixstowe trip

Please ensure KS3 students test on the day of their trip to the seaside as an extra back up for the coach journey. It is also compulsory for KS3

students to wear a mask for coach travel, please make sure they have one. After the 19th July, it will be your choice as to whether your child wears a mask. However, some teachers will continue to wear masks on the journey as 40% of staff are still awaiting their second jab.

KS3 Lateral Flow Testing Kits

New Lateral flow testing kits will be issued today for Y8, they will be distributed to Y7 on Monday. Please continue to test on Wednesday and the weekend. Please could you make sure your child tests on the day of their trip to Felixstowe, as an extra back up for the coach journey. They will also need to make sure they have a mask for the bus.

What if my child does not go on the trip?

Online learning will be available on SMHW for your child to access during the day.

What if my child is vulnerable and struggles with change?

In order to help with any anxieties, Mrs Carter from the Learning Zone team will be preparing students for the end of term and the start of the new term.

What about the Year 8 camping event?

Year 8 have been asking about this for a long time. I have 10 members of staff willing to give up a good night's sleep to make this happen on Friday 16/7/21 when they return from Felixstowe. Further information to follow on Monday. In the meantime, please be aware that if your child is camping, we will ask you to put their tent up on Friday afternoon between 5pm and 7:30pm. Students can arrive from 7:30pm onwards. **Please collect your child at 8am on Saturday morning.**

Who is swimming next week?

- 6D Monday 12/7/21
- 8D Tuesday 13/7/21
- 5A Thursday 15/7/21
- 8A awaiting confirmation

We no longer send home paper reply slips. If your child's class has won a fun swim, please complete the simple form in the link below in order that your child can attend:

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

Update from Year 5

At Edwinstree, we celebrate the unique and wonderful in all our pupils. On Friday 16th July, in their RE and PSHE lessons respectively, pupils will be creating a jar filled with all the

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things that makes them wonderful. Between now and the 16th can you please send in, with your child, any art/craft items, pictures and a jar- if you have more than one that would be much appreciated (please note these will be staying in school so do not include anything irreplaceable). Year 5 have also been reflecting on their first year with us, channelling the Christian value of 'thankfulness' they wanted to thank parents/carers for all they have done. Within their RE lessons this week they will be writing letters to home- please look out for these and happy reading!

Jo Gant

Headteacher

Uniform List

Last week of term

Pond update

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