



**Edwinstree Term dates:**

<https://www.edwinstree.herts.sch.uk/school/term-dates.aspx>

**Diary Dates:**

20/03/25	Year 7 In Person Foundation Evening
21/03/25	Comic Relief Day – Non-Uniform and £1 voluntary donation Strictly Come Edwinstree Dance competition.  ESA Quiz Night
28/03/25	Fullness Day for charity - £1 donation for non-uniform & a Bake Sale. Student choice Cancer Research
04/04/25	<a href="#">End of Term 1:20pm.</a>
22/04/25	<a href="#">Start of Summer Term</a>
23/04/25	Year 5 RE Educational Visit to Faith in Queen’s Park Bedford - £14 per student
25/04/25	Year 8 Science Visit to Thorpe Park - £45.50
05/05/25	<a href="#">Bank Holiday</a>
08/05/25	Year 6 In Person Foundation Evening
12-15/05/25	Year 6 SATs
16/05/25	ESA School Disco (more details to follow)
26-30/05/25	<a href="#">Half Term</a>
05/06/25	Year 5 In Person Foundation Evening
27/06/25	<a href="#">INSET Day</a>
10/07/25	County Transition Day  Parent Transition Evening 5-6pm
18/07/25	<a href="#">End of Term 1:20pm.</a>

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[Can you complete our Church of England questionnaire?](#)

We will be enlisting the help of your son/ daughter to persuade you to take time out from your busy lives to complete the Church of England questionnaire. SatchelOne badges will be issued to each child who persuades a family member to complete! <https://forms.office.com/e/G0jADUmGy8>

[Would you like to attend our Easter service, Collective Worship \(COWO\) and/or hymns?](#)

[Easter service](#)

Our service is read by our lovely Reverend Kirsty Wainwright, who will in school from 9–11am on 26th of March. If you would like to attend, you are very welcome.

[Have you ever wondered what a COWO is like, or hymns on a Friday?](#)

You are very welcome to pop in and share with us, on a Monday, Tuesday and/or Friday from 2.50pm.

## Wellbeing Hub

The Wellbeing Hub will be open on Tuesday 1st April from 2.00pm until 5.00pm. If you would like to book an appointment to visit the hub or speak to the mental health team, please email [a.harris@edwinstree.herts.sch.uk](mailto:a.harris@edwinstree.herts.sch.uk)

## Newsletter Focus - Attendance

Please find attached our Attendance Update newsletter.

## School Dinners

The cost of a dinner will increase from £3.35 to £3.50. from 1st April 2025. Please log on to [www.schoolgrid.co.uk](http://www.schoolgrid.co.uk) to book your child's dinners.

## Forthcoming Events

### 21st of March - Comic Relief Day

Students can attend in non-school uniform and there will be a voluntary contribution of £1. If your child wishes to wear a bought comic relief nose or to paint one on, we welcome this. *Strictly Come Edwinstree* dance competition will also take place on this day in the afternoon. Students compete in houses to learn a dance to then perform in front of the school!

### 28th of March – Cancer relief

We will be raising funds at the request of several year 7 students who have lost relatives to this illness. £1 donation for non-uniform and we will be asking all bakers for support in helping us with a bake off.

### Easter Services

Our Easter Services, led by Reverend Kirsty Wainwright, will be taking place in the school hall on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March.

## Gardening Afterschool Club

The first bits of new equipment have started to arrive! Our greenhouse and shed are due for delivery sometime next week and all our spades and forks should be arriving on Monday. We have lots of seeds to start planting out and it looks like we're in for some good weather.

Gardening Club will start up again on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March. If your child is interested in getting their hands dirty and learning about gardening, please complete the application form using this link <https://forms.office.com/e/6bf3wfembN>. There are a set number of spaces available for this club and if oversubscribed we will rotate participation. The club will take place on Wednesdays and will run from 3:15pm to 4:15pm. Mrs van Wyk.

## Year 5 & 6 Girls Football Club Afterschool

Laura, a coach and player at Royston Town football club, will be leading girls only football sessions on Thursdays after school until 4:15pm starting from 13<sup>th</sup> March. We have 20 spaces available for KS2 girls to attend. Please complete the form below to sign up. <https://forms.office.com/e/7UG88h65VV>

## Extra-Curricular Clubs

Clubs led by school staff will not take place in the last week of term. Sign-up sheets for clubs will be released during the first week after the Easter holidays.

## Year 5 News

### Year 5 RE Educational Visit – Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April

We are delighted to, once again, be able to offer Year 5 the opportunity to visit "Faith in Queen's Park" in Bedford. The visit will entail a tour of a Church, Gurdwara and Mosque. Being able to see places of worship alongside different faiths working together is a wonderful learning experience for all our pupils. Many of our student visitors last year still reflect upon their visit (they particularly liked the bandanas in the Gurdwara and ceiling in the Mosque!) Please see visit letter attached.

### Ms Bull returns


As you will be aware Mrs O'Neill has been carrying out the maternity cover for our permanent English teacher Ms Bull. Ms Bull has carried out return to workdays each week this term, to familiarise herself with her tutor group and classes before she returned fully to school. This has allowed for a smooth transition for all classes and her tutor group, so that they feel comfortable and ready to work with Ms Bull. We would like to thank Ms O'Neill for her support for the children since the start of the year and wish her well in her next role.

## Year 6 News

### Year 6 Journey to SATs

Thank you to everyone who attended the year 6 parent information meetings about SATs, which we held in school this week. We hope you found this useful in supporting your child on their journey to SATs.

If you were unable to attend, your child should have brought home their mock SATs and old English book so you could look at these together. The short PowerPoint, that was shared in the meeting is attached below - this has key information. If you would like further information. please contact us.

Please ensure English books are returned to school as they are used as evidence towards your child's writing outcome at the end of year 6.  [Mock SATs parent March 2025.pptx](#)

### Year 6 Lancaster Model Survey

Please find attached a letter from Herts Community NHS Trust regarding a health questionnaire survey, requesting your participation in completing a survey.

## Year 7 News

On Tuesday the foundation subjects (all those other than maths, English and Science) will be open for you to come into school, meet the teachers and view your child's books. We encourage you to come with your child. We will also ensure that the books are available to view in their tutor rooms for English, Maths and Science, with request slips at the front of reception for anyone that has a query about something they have found in a core book.

## Year 8 News

Year 8 Thorpe Park – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April

All Year 8 Students are invited to Thorpe Park to look at energy transfers on the roller coasters. They also thoroughly deserve some fun to reward them for all their hard work in science this year. Please see visit letter attached.



Edwinstree School Association

ESA Quiz Night – 21st March

<https://edwinstree-school-association.sumupstore.com/product/family-quiz-night>

Doors open 6.30pm, quiz starts 7pm

Licensed bar available, Sharing platters available as pre order only.

Prizes to be won!

Each team must have at least one child and one adult, maximum 8 people in a team, or you can buy an individual ticket and join a team on the night.

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