



Edwinstree Term dates:

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

Diary Dates:

| School Day – 8:40am – 3:10pm        |  |
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| 22/06/24                            | Edwinstree Summer Fayre  |
| 26 & 27/06/24                       | Show dates for School Production. 6.30pm both nights               |
| <a href="#">28/06/24</a>            | <a href="#">INSET Day.</a>   |
| 08/07/24                            | Year 6 Whipsnade Zoo trip. £30.61 per student.                     |
| 09/07/24                            | Sports Day   |
| <a href="#">11/07/24</a>            | <a href="#">County Transition Day.</a>                             |
| 16/07/24                            | Visit from Bishop of St Albans.                                    |
| 17/07/24                            | Year 5 Queens Park trip £14.50 per student.                        |
| <a href="#">19/07/24</a>            | <a href="#">End of Summer Term 1:20pm.</a>                         |
| <a href="#">02/09/24</a>            | <a href="#">INSET DAY.</a>   |
| <a href="#">03/09/24</a>            | <a href="#">Year 5 Induction Day.</a>                              |
| <a href="#">04/09/24</a>            | <a href="#">Autumn Term Begins Years 6-8.</a>                      |
| 16-18/09/24                         | Year 7 Residential – Essex Outdoors Bradwell. £295.60 per student. |
| <a href="#">28/10/24 – 01/11/24</a> | <a href="#">Half Term.</a>   |
| <a href="#">06/12/24</a>            | <a href="#">Occasional Day.</a>                                    |
| <a href="#">20/12/24</a>            | <a href="#">End of Autumn Term 1:20pm.</a>                         |

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## Come and support our Summer Fayre

We would like to thank you for the wonderful donations we have received - we are going to have a fabulous Fayre!

Please join us on Saturday at our Summer Fayre from 2pm to 4:30pm. The stalls are being run by Edwinstree students who are trying to raise funds to support our environment projects: the pond, meadow, grow club and the tree walkway. We are doing our best to make the products we sell sustainable. The PCO will be there to security mark any bike for free, and some of our best BMX riders will be ready to teach little ones the first tricks of a ramp jump. This year we are adding a dog show to the afternoon too - this is open to all well-behaved dogs!

We hope to have a fun filled day led by our wonderful students who would appreciate your support. Many thanks, Mrs van Wyk

## It is going to be hot on Monday!

Just a gentle reminder that sun hats, sunglasses and suncream are all welcome and supported during a hot season. Students are also welcome to wear PE kit if they wish on Monday and Tuesday. If they have a PE lesson that day, we recommend a spare top to change into.

## School Production

Tickets for Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies are now available from the ESA online shop. Pre-show and interval drinks can also be ordered to avoid the queues.

<https://edwinstree-school-association.sumupstore.com/products>

## School Telephones

We are upgrading to a new phone system on the 27th of June, this is likely to cause some disruption to our phone system for the day. Please can we ask that you use the admin email as the main point of contact. We will remind next week and send a Parentmail reminder the day before. Thank you for your patience.

## New School Uniform

Please find attached a flyer from Price & Buckland regarding information about the cut-off date for online orders. To help ensure all pupils are in uniform for the first day of school, they request that parents who require delivery before the start of the new school year, please place their orders before 1st August.

The early cut-off date enables parents to return any unwanted items in good time where necessary and, by spreading the workload in our warehouse, enables us to provide parents with the best possible service.

## Will my child be changing class next year?

Year 5 and 7 will transition in their current forms into year 6 and 8. Our one change of class takes place for year 6 who will move into year 7. We change classes as students move key stages, in order to ensure they do not become too fixed with their class. It also offers them a chance to again expand their friendship base. All students are asked who they wish to be with and at least one friend will go with them in the move.

## Food and Nutrition (all years):

Due to health and safety requirements, all pupils need to be present at a practical demonstration in class before being allowed to cook. We cover specific safety requirements for each recipe in the kitchen each time. Unfortunately, that means if your child has been absent from the demo lesson, they will not be allowed to cook. Alternate work is always provided to anyone who is not cooking.

### Year 5:

All classes will be making cheese straws. Ingredient requirements are on Satchel 1.

### Year 6:

An incredibly big WELL DONE TO ALL who cooked this week. It is possibly the most technical dish we cover and we had amazing results from each pupil. Demo next week.

### Year 7:

We start our alternate sugar cupcake experiment next week. We are looking how different types of sugar change the outcome of the product. No ingredients are needed as the school will provide everything.

### Year 8:

Research, research, research! We start our health eating project - we will have 2 weeks in school and 2 sets of home learning to get this completed.

Please remember to wear the correct shoes and remove any nail polish/gel/acrylics from fingers. Mrs van Wyk

## Gardening Club:

We look forward to showing off our wonderful patch at the school fair on Saturday.

## Year 6 news:

### [Whipsnade Zoo Volunteers – 8th July 2024](#)

We are looking for a limited number of parent volunteers to accompany us on the visit. If you would be willing to attend, please indicate on the form link above and we will contact you if required. Thank you for your support.

<https://forms.office.com/e/DAE4aZNjjS>

## Year 7 news:

### [The Money Charity](#)

From our PSHE review, students had asked for more learning on careers and finance. We were pleased to welcome *The Money Charity*

<https://themoneycharity.org.uk> this week to provide learning on finance management. The students responded well to the session.

## Year 8 news:

### [Camp Out](#)

Year 8 have requested the annual camp out at Edwinstree as their end of term event. This is due to take place on the 5th of July.

Since COVID this has become the annual right of passage for year 8 leaving the school, all students in year 8 are welcome. We ask students to group together as friends and to see who has tents, in the past most friends have been able to find a family tent between them, but we do have 5 x 2-man tents if students do not.

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We will ask you to pitch their tent on Friday afternoon any time after 4.30pm on the school field, we will be there to show you where to do this. Your child will then return to school for the sleep over from 7.30 pm. Pick up the next day is 8am from the back gate.

Any phones the students bring will be stored in reception for the event. We will be costing up the price of a shared pizza from the local high street, along with hot chocolate and marshmallows for the campfire and juice, croissants and fruit for breakfast that you can sign up your child to enjoy, alternatively your child can bring their own food.

During the evening there will be activities including a water slide and disco – so please make sure they have a change of clothing and a towel. We will also host a farewell ceremony at 12 midnight where the annual school awards are announced. You will be able to attend our end of term ceremony at Aspenden if you would like to say goodbye, more details to follow.

### [Edwinstree Dramatic Enquiry Pilot Project](#)

The two classes who currently have French at Freman (8A and 8B) are being given the opportunity to take part in a new Drama pilot with Freman's Drama department and Hertford Theatre. They will be going up to Freman for the lesson before their normal French lesson, returning at the normal time. For the first session, students will be supervised by a member of staff from Edwinstree but after that, they will be walked up to Freman as they are when they go to French.

Below is an explanation from Ms Wallace who will be running the project at Freman. We are looking forward to seeing the outcome!

Students will be participating in an exciting pilot of a new teaching approach called Dramatic Enquiry, piloted by BEAM (formerly known as The Hertford Theatre) and other arts partners. Dramatic Enquiry encourages students to practically explore a chosen topic through drama, ideally when they are experiencing a pivotal point of change in their lives. The approach is intended to benefit students' self-esteem, active classroom engagement, enjoyment in learning, critical thinking, communication skills, creativity and social/emotional wellbeing. Through our Dramatic Enquiry, students will be exploring their sense of self identity and what makes each student an individual. It is hoped that this experience will foster their sense of belonging when they arrive at Freman College and aid their smooth transition in September.

Further information can be found: [Children and Young People - BEAM Hertford](#)

## Community Information Flyers

Attached to the newsletter.

- [Royston Fire Station Open Day](#)

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