



Diary Dates:

22/6/18	Y8 Robotics Day
25/6/18	Inset Day
26/6/18	Y5 Kew Gardens Visit
27/6/18	Y5/Y6 Quantum Theatre Company Lifecycles and Habitats
4/7/18	Summer Concert 7pm
5/7/18	Y7 Big Bang Fair
6/7/18	Sports Day
7/7/19	Y7 Sports Festival - Cancelled
12/7/18	County Transition Day
13/7/18	Non Uniform Day - MND Day £2
17/7/18	11am-3pm Uniform sales
18/7/18	11am-3pm Uniform sales
19/7/18	Y8 Celebration Evening
20/7/18	End of Term 2:30pm finish

Ofsted

We are still on red alert for Ofsted. Please support the school and complete the Ofsted questionnaire on Parentview, we appreciate your input, please click on the link

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

We will notify you of their arrival on the same day we receive the phone call. Our current data, work trawls, student and parent surveys, LA reviews, predicted SAT results, increasing and expanding roll provide significant and substantial evidence that the school has returned to Good.

Monday 25/6/18 Inset Day

We will be working in our separate departments on identified improvements to our teaching and learning. Thank you for your support.

Thank you for your support at the Carnival

I understand that the atmosphere and work that went into the Carnival this year really paid off and was a great success. Thank you to everyone who turned out to support our Samba band: they made a good noise and enjoyed taking part. It was really lovely to see a group of Year 8 students following them and supporting the little ones as they paraded through Buntingford.

Can you help support any events please?

In order to reduce the amount of cover your child has, we are hoping to enlist some parents to support us with the following events.

- Year 5 visit to Kew Gardens on Tuesday 26/6/18
- Volunteers to help with the Celebration Evening 19/7/18

- End of term Church service and walk 20/7/18

If you are able to support any of these events please contact the school office. Thank you

Why is the school running non uniform days?

Year 8 would like to run a non-uniform day on **Tuesday 26/6/18** to support their bid and funding for their formal do. It will be £1 per student and is only for Year 8.

We are looking to host a £1 non-uniform day for Ms Liddle's memorial, to fund seating in the school grounds for students to use. This will be engraved with her favourite phrase 'There is no such thing as 'I can't'. Instead say: 'I fail to comprehend.'

Date 13/7/18 - MND Day

One of our Year 7 students is hosting an information and celebration day for the Charity Motor Neurone Disease, this will be a £2 non uniform day to raise funds for the charity.

Key Stage 3 Homework Trial - Year 7 & Year 8.

Key Stage 3 homework can be found on our website:

Home Page > Select Learning Tab > Select KS3 Homework Trial

We are looking to host a 6pm meeting to get your feedback and whether it had impact and supported you, date to be confirmed.

Quantum Theatre – 27/6/18

Students in Year 5 & Year 6 will be watching and some taking part in The Quantum Theatre Company production of 'Journey to the bottom of the Garden'. Please see attached letter for more details.

Year 5 – Kew Gardens Visit 26/6/18

Students should arrive at school at **7:45am** for a prompt departure at 8am. Students are expected back at Edwinstree by 4:30pm, dependent on traffic. Alternative arrangements need to be made for those who use school transport. Details of the visit can be found on our website on the 'Letters Home' page.

Year 6

One last push with the Year 6 SAT assessments next week and then we can put this to bed! Please note that with the schools popularity increasing, we will have eight new students joining us in July and we will be returning to four forms for this year group. Students are responding well to their sex education lessons, listening intently and asking mature questions!

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Year 7

During PSHE lessons, students will have the opportunity to apply for a number of leadership roles for the next academic year.

Y7 Big Bang Fair letter attached.

Year 8

Y8 Robotics day takes place this Friday and students will be working with a Robotics team to design functioning robots. Year 7 really enjoyed this activity; we anticipate they will have a good day.

Having consulted with parents, the Year 8 Day Trip team are currently looking at options for £30 trips, this figure was reached after Year 8 leaders generated a questionnaire to all students: more information to follow. We are looking to secure a date during last week of term.

The formal arrangements are underway and, as requested by students, the photographer who attended the disco will be available for formal and informal photographs on the evening. Please follow the link for further information regarding booking and prices:

<https://portraitsbysarah.as.me/edwinstreesingleleaverportrait>

Tuesday 26/6/18 - Year 8 only will also have the opportunity to participate in a non-uniform day.

The Year 8 committee are asking for a £1 contribution in order to support the purchase and creation of decorations for the millennium garden on Celebration Evening.

Request from Food Technology Department

Please ensure that your child brings a container to take their finished products home in for every practical lesson. Please ensure containers are labelled and of sufficient size for the end product. A good sized container would have a 2/3 litre capacity. It is also important that they seal completely as some end products contain liquid.

Sports Day - Friday 6th July 2018

Please see letter attached. A programme of events will be available on the day.

Uniform Sales 17/7/18 & 18/7/18

Uniform will be on sale for our new students joining us in September. On the same days, Parents of current students will also have the opportunity to look at the new PE kit from 3:30pm until 4:30pm.

Summer Concert – 4/7/18 at 7pm

Information about how to purchase tickets for the summer concert on Wednesday 4th July will be sent out next week. Tickets will be £3 for adults and £1 for under 18s. All proceeds will go towards upgrading the department's music stands.

If your son or daughter has instrumental lessons, please can you make sure that they check the times regularly? As we approach the end of term some of the teachers change their hours and days to accommodate examinations that they run. There is plenty of notice given so please make sure they check. Please can I also ask that instruments are taken home at the end of each week? There are a collection of instruments that are left most weekends and we can't take responsibility for them. This will also ensure that they practice between lessons.

Jo Gant
Headteacher

Letter Sports Day
Y7 Letter Big Bang Fair
Y5/Y6 Quantum Theatre

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