



Edwinstree Middle School
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School
NEWSLETTER for PARENTS & CARERS
Week Ending: 24/05/2019

Diary Dates:

27-31/5/19	Half Term
28/5/19	Bugsy Malone Rehearsal 9:30am-12:30pm in the School Hall
w/c 3/6/19	KS2 Science Assessments
7/6/19	7F & 7R Computer Visit
10/6/19	5C & 5P visit Tower of London 8am -4pm
12/6/19	Y6 Parents' Norfolk Information Meeting 5pm
13/6/19	7S & 7C Computer Visit
20/6/19	Bugsy Malone - 7pm-9pm
21/6/19	Bugsy Malone - 7pm-9pm
25/6/19	5T & 5F Visit Tower of London 8am - 4pm
w/c 24/6/29	KS3 Science Assessments
26-28/6/19	Y6 Residential visit to Norfolk
28/6/19	Inset Day
3/7/19	Summer Music Concert 6pm-8pm
4/7/19	Y7 Big Bang Fair
5/7/19	Sports Day
8/7/19	Year 6 visit Tower of London 8am - 4pm
11/7/19	County Transition Day
18/7/19	Y8 Celebration Evening
19/7/19	End of Term 2:30pm

How do I report my child's absence?

To report a student absent please use the direct attendance email:

attendance@edwinstree.herts.sch.uk

Thank you.

School Production - Bugsy Malone

For those in the production, a reminder that there is a rehearsal in the half term holidays (**Tuesday 28th May**) from **9:30am to 12:30pm**.

After half term, Tuesday night rehearsals will run until 5:00pm. We need to be 'off script' after half term; please can you support your child with this? At home, on a long car journey, on the beach(!) - use any opportunity to get lines and songs learnt! The first performance is less than 4 weeks away. A professional photographer will be available at the dress rehearsals to take photographs of the performers and help raise funds for the school, more information to follow.

We are looking to enhance the atmosphere by creating a 1920's Cabaret experience with canapés and drinks to entertain you. Are you in the mood to dress up for the event and make the atmosphere exciting for our performers? Tickets will go on sale after half term.

Have we appointed new staff?

As the school expands back to capacity year, we are once again recruiting and I am pleased to welcome Mr Wayne Hamilton, the new Head of Computing for Freman and Edwinstree. He will be in school on Mondays and Fridays after half term, preparing our new schemes of work for September. He will also be teaching in some Year 5 and Year 7 classes. Following this appointment, the computing curriculum returns to an hour a week for all year groups. Hurrah!

We are also pleased to announce the appointment of Stephanie Barratt who will be joining the Key Stage 2 maths and science teams. She is a very experienced and respected primary teacher who has previously worked in the local area.

Year 5

If your child is in 5F & 5T, please make sure you have read the additional letter Parentmailed this week, with regard to a timetable change. The letter can also be found on our website in the 'Letters Home' section

Year 5 Fundraising Day - to raise funds for a new wheelchair.

Well done Year 5 for suggesting and organising the day: we are still counting the money! They were also expert at managing the successful cake sale. Congratulations to all dancers who took part in the 'dance off' competition. Winners to be announced shortly.

Year 5 Computing

Year 5 have started working in computing on a multimedia presentation to compare Buntingford to another place that they know. They are looking at aspects such as population, the environment, local services and leisure activities. As part of this project, they will be filming a short video, for example to look at the extent of pollution or litter in the local area.

Year 6

After half term, we will begin to prepare Year 6 for their next significant transition to Key Stage 3. We are also really looking forward to their residential visit to Norfolk and an information evening for parents will be held on **12/6/19 at 5pm**, to talk you through the visit and the expectations. We encourage all parents of students going on the visit to attend.

Year 7

Please make sure you have returned your child's reply slip and payment for the Year 7 Visits, [Big Bang and The Computer History Museum]. Any queries, please contact the school office

Year 8

The countdown and planning begins as we prepare to say 'goodbye' to our Year 8 students. Next term our Leaders will be planning their end of term events and how they wish to celebrate. We look forward to a successful last term at Edwinstree: they are ready for the new challenges at Freman College!

*As a Christian school we recognise the unique and wonderful in everyone.
As a community we support one another to flourish and live life in all its fullness.*