



Diary Dates:

23/4/19	Summer Term
23/4/19	School Meal Increases to £2.65 per day
13/5/19	SATS Week for Year 6
27-31/5/19	Half Term
w/c 3/6/19	KS2 Science Assessments
20/6/19	Bugsy Malone – 7pm-9pm
21/6/19	Bugsy Malone – 7pm-9pm
w/c 24/6/29	KS3 Science Assessments
26-28/6/19	Y6 Residential visit to Norfolk
28/6/19	Inset Day
19/7/19	End of Term 2:30pm
23/4/19	Summer Term

We wish you a calm and restorative Easter and look forward to working with you in the new term.

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

Over the Easter Holidays, please have a look at home for any costumes or props you may have that may be useful for the show.

Have a look at the link below for some inspiration!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v2uQQ9mMnOI>

Many thanks,
Bugsy Production Team

Music News

Most instrumental lessons will start the first week back. Brass lessons and the beginners' group resume the first day back.

Choir, orchestra and the new Ukulele club also start the first week back.

When do clubs begin after Easter?

Robotics Club resumes on 24/4/19 and all other clubs will begin the second week after the Easter holiday, week beginning 29/4/19. You are not too late to sign up for **FilmMakers Club**: The term commences after the Easter break & runs for 10 weeks. We focus on confidence, script writing, planning costumes and planning the set. Spaces are limited to 14. Please **contact Gillian on 07341305131 or to book, visit the website**

www.northhertsyounghfilmclub.webstarts.com.

Is there any homework set for the holidays?

Year 6 have provided a guide to how to revise: please read below. The remainder of the years have light homework, but the key is, whatever else, please keep all children reading for 20 minutes 5 times a week. Thank you.

Are we due a second Progress Report?

Yes, data has been collated this week and the Progress Reports for the second term will be with you after the Easter break. Parentmail will notify you when your child has received their report.

Year 5

We would like to take this opportunity to say well done to Year 5 and their parents/carers for such a wonderful first half of the school year! You have all truly embodied the Christian values that make Edwinstree what it is today. We have started to see students act as role models to some of their peers, who occasionally need a little support to fully embody the Edwinstree 'spirit'. After Easter, several students will be going on a Positive Passport; this is their opportunity to demonstrate the Christian Values in action! Thank you again for working with us for the benefit of all students at our school. I would like to say a special 'thank you' to two Y5 students who sold loom bands one Saturday morning and raised £56. The money was donated to 'Teenager Cancer Trust' a charity supported by the school and a great example of our Christian Values.

Year 6

Please see below a comprehensive guide to revision strategies and activities we have provided for your child to get the most out of their Easter break.

English

- Work through CGP reading paper- this can be done 'test style' in one hour, or broken up into smaller chunks for revision. Use the mark scheme provided to check your answers.
- Work through CGP GPS paper, as above.
- Choose a few spellings a day from the ones we've covered this year to go over- are there any tricky rules you can fix?

Maths

- Students will be given their 2017 practice papers which they completed in class. Work through, following the worked example (to follow) and make corrections.
- Where there are areas of weakness, make some revision flashcards or posters to stick up around the house. This is an excellent strategy to remember multiplication tables or properties of shapes too.

Tips

- Start getting into a good bedtime routine. This means limiting screen time before bed (reading a book is an excellent alternative), and getting to bed at a good time.
- Eat well- plenty of protein will make your brain grow!
- Finally, and most importantly, remember to take time to relax. The ideal revision strategy is to do a little bit each day, which will leave plenty of time for fun and relaxation.

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Year 6 Swimming

Swimming groups are changing - please ask your child to check if their name is on the list in their classroom if they are unsure. Students who are in the Green Group will be swimming from 2nd April until 21st May during games lessons every Tuesday. Please ensure your child brings their full swimming kit: swimming costume, towel and swimming cap to each swimming lesson. Goggles are not compulsory. A reminder to Red group that their last session will be on Tuesday 2nd April at the same time as the Green group. Many thanks

Year 7

Huge congratulations to Year 7, who ran the most successful Action Aid Fete we have seen in a number of years. Thank you to parents, students and staff who supported the organisation of this event. It was lovely also to see Year 6 assist Year 7 with the bake sale and our Year 5s kindly helped out with the big tidy up! Year 7's planning paid off, and the stalls were 'sold out' during the extended lunch hour! Some of the activities were great fun, especially the 'throw a wet sponge at the teacher'. There was pie throwing, face glitter and hair braiding to name a few of the stalls. We will let you know how much was raised.

Year 8

Please be aware that a few students in Year 8 have been using the App 'Tic Toc', which used to be called Musically. In the safeguarding training provided for students and parents this year, it was highlighted that this App is extremely vulnerable to adults accessing it as students. It poses as a music and photo sharing site, but has very few privacy settings available. We advise you check your child's Apps and find an alternative if they are using this site.

How safe is TikTok app? | Internet Matter

<https://www.internetmatters.org>

PSHCEE

Over the summer term all students will be covering Sex and Relationship Education (SRE) as part of their PSHCEE lessons. Year 5 will cover puberty and the changes that the body will go through, Year 6 will look at how babies are made and the importance of being in a loving and caring relationship. Year 7 will focus on physical and emotional changes in puberty, building on work done in Year 5. This topic also looks at relationships and the need to maintain healthy relationships. Year 8 will look at sexually transmitted infections and the importance of protecting themselves when in relationships, they will also look at Female Genital Mutilation. All lessons will be taught in an extremely sensitive manner, using government guidelines. It is the law that schools cover this content. Should you have any concerns or require further information, please feel free to contact your child's PSHCEE teacher or Miss Bustard.

Jo Gant
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