

Emscote Express

Issue 7, 6th December 2019

Dates for the diary...

December

6th PTA Christmas fair at Emscote 5-7pm
11th Reception and Y1 nativity 9.30am
12th Flu vaccinations (nasal spray) all years
12th Reception and Y1 nativity 5.30pm
16th Christmas at St John's Museum Y1
17th Pantomime in school
18th Christmas jumper day & Christmas dinner
18th Y2 carol service 5.30pm
19th Church service 9am
19th Christmas class parties
20th **TERM FINISHES**

January

6th Inset day – school closed
7th RETURN TO SCHOOL
16th Planetarium in school
29th Safer Internet Awareness for parents 6-7pm

February

14th Valentine's school disco
17th – 21st HALF TERM
24th Book bus in school
24th Living Eggs arrive in school

April

3rd TERM FINISHES
20th RETURN TO SCHOOL

May

8th VE Day Bank Holiday – school closed
25th – 2nd June HALF TERM

June

1st Inset day – school closed

July

17th – TERM FINISHES for pupils

Please note **after school and lunch clubs** will start back week commencing 13th January. Club letters have been issued to all years this week and are due back by Monday 16th December.



Christmas Events



Here's what's happening in school to celebrate the festive season!

PTA Christmas Fair 6th Dec

This popular event has stalls, food and of course Father Christmas! Please book a place to see him in advance.

Reception & Y1 Nativity 11th/12th Dec

The classic nativity is a highlight for all! This year 'A Wiggly Nativity' tells the Christmas story through catchy songs, actions, movement and dance. For children who just can't sit still! Please order tickets in advance.

Beauty and The Beast Pantomime 17th Dec

A visiting theatre company bring a top quality performance right here in our school hall. A highlight of the Autumn term.

Christmas Jumper day - 18th Dec

Children to wear a Christmas jumper over their uniform for a £1 donation to Save the Children.

Christmas Dinner - 18th Dec all children and staff eat a traditional turkey lunch together on long tables, complete with crackers and festive music.

Year 2 Carol Concert - 18th Dec

This fantastic concert showcases the wonderful singing of the children and they get the excitement of performing in All Saints' Church. No tickets are required for this event.

Christmas Church Service 19th Dec

Come and celebrate the true meaning of Christmas with the whole school in All Saints' Church. All welcome.

Christmas party lunch and class parties 19th Dec

Children come to school in party clothes and enjoy a party food lunch all together in the hall. After lunch each class holds a Christmas party, and Father Christmas visits each class with a present for every child.

PTA Christmas Fair

A huge thank you to all those who stepped up and volunteered to help out with the running of our Christmas fayre this year. This is a lovely event for all the family and we are so pleased it was able to go ahead. Thank you again and we hope you all enjoy the festivities.

Winners of the Jam Jar Competition

Thank you to all those who decorated their jam jars for the tombola this week. Cherry class won the overall prize for most entries giving us 32 out of a total 125 jam jars. We would also like to congratulate the winners of each class for being so creative with their entries. Well done to Scarlett (Willow), Harriet (Cherry), Ayaan (Chestnut), Daniela (Oak), Avni (Sycamore) and Ella (Maple).

Choir Performances for December and the New Year



Congratulations to the choir on their debut performance earlier this week at All Saints' Church singing for the Mothers' Union at their annual Advent Service. Please see below for a list of upcoming performances which the choir are looking forward to.

- Sunday 8th Dec 4pm, Warwick Lights of Love, Warwick Market Square
- Monday 16th December, Rohan Gardens
- Wednesday 18th December fundraising for the children's ward at Warwick Hospital
- Saturday 21st at the Carols at the Castle
- 27th January 2020 Young Voices concert in the Genting Arena. It's a fantastic event with thousands of children involved.

A big thanks goes to all the children and Mrs Hart for making both schools very proud!

Fundraising for School

The Book People Big Book Boost

This term we are promoting a new fundraising scheme being run by the Book People to help schools nurture a lifelong love of reading. For every £10 spent by parents/carers the school will be donated £1 to spend on books for the school. A leaflet has also gone out in book bags.

Amazon Smile

Emscote and All Saints PTA have registered with Amazon smile.

This means Amazon will donate 0.5% of the net purchase price (excluding VAT, returns and shipping fees) of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the PTA.

All you need to do it click the link and every time you buy something, the school gets a little something too – at no extra cost to you. Please share with your family and friends who use Amazon! <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1105107-0>

Free School Meals

Depending on your family/household income, your child may be eligible for Free School Meals. All children in infant school receive a free hot meal at lunchtime, but this is a separate entitlement. If you qualify for Free School Meals, you will be entitled to funding towards school trips, uniforms and after school clubs. To find out if you are eligible please visit <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals>

Here you can apply online or download a form to post. Please see the school office if you cannot access the internet.

Year 1 Christmas Trip to St John's

The children are really excited about visiting the museum where they will be creating Christmas crafts, visiting the Victorian schoolroom and making one big Christmas pudding to share. Please remember to hand forms and money in as soon as possible. Thank you.



Year 2 SATs Meeting

Thank you to all the year 2 parents who were able to come to our year 2 SAT's workshop. We hope you found this helpful. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions in the lead up to the KS1 tests

Reception Year Wonderful Welly Walks!

Mrs Fawbert is keen to share with you all, something new that Reception have started this term... 'Wonderful Wellies'! Each week the children head out, in groups of 12, with one of the Reception Team and use our field and wild area to take part in a unique outdoor learning experience. The children appear to really enjoy getting kitted out in their puddlesuits and wellies. They've played hide and seek, collected leaves and named them, made soil pictures, leaf crowns and all sorts. Their highlight definitely appears to be the hot chocolate and biscuit at the end!



January is Mathletics Month!

From 1st January get onto Mathletics and start earning your bronze, silver and gold certificates. Each certificate is worth one entry into the raffle and you could win a fantastic prize! Thanks to the PTA for providing the prizes.

PTA – New Chair Appointed

Thank you to Jacqui Meredith, a reception year parent for taking on the role of chair. Please come and join us for her first meeting in charge on 13 January, 7pm at All Saints.

School Library

Please remember to read with your children 4 times a week. The greater variety of books and reading materials they have access to the better. Please make the most of our school library to help with this, we have a wide range of Christmas stories to borrow too!

Why fork out for Free School Meals?



If your child is in primary school in Warwick district, you can check to see if you are getting your full entitlement by using the **Warwickshire Welfare Rights Advice Service.**

Get In touch with WWRAS

Email: info@wwras.org.uk **Phone:** 02476 372069

Visit www.warwickdc.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals



Warwick Lights of Love ★ 2019

Celebrate the ones you love

The Mayor and The Rotary Club of Warwick invite you to celebrate and remember someone you love.

Please join us for a Dedication Service on Sunday 8th December at 4pm in Market Square.

The lights will be turned on as part of The Victorian Evening celebrations at 7pm on Thursday 28th November 2019.

**Tree provided by
Barn Close
Nurseries**

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