

Emscote Express

Issue 6, 25th November 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

Emscote children have been out and about this week, please see the pictures of Year 2 visiting Warwick University Climbing Centre as part of learning about keeping healthy and challenging themselves. The children were brilliantly behaved and really enjoyed the experience.

All children are busily preparing for the Christmas performances, please send in costumes and help your child to learn their words. We will not be filming any performances this year, so please do come along with your ticket.

I would like to draw your attention to Mrs Stephenson's 'reading at home letter'. We all need to do our bit to support children with this vital skill.

Finally, please try and vote for our Christmas trees at St Mary's Church. The year one children have been busily making decorations for the competition.

A few parents have been asking about collection times after Christmas performances. We will keep the children in school between the 2pm and 4pm performance. After the 4pm performance, please walk round to the playground to collect your child as we will see the children out from our usual classrooms. If you are unable to attend the 4pm performance please be in the playground to collect your child at the times below:

Reception: 4.25pm

Year 1: 4.45pm

Year 2: 4.40pm

Kind regards,

Mr Queralt

Dates for the Diary

2021

Wed 1st Dec	Reception Christmas Show 2pm	Reception Christmas Show 4pm
Fri 3rd Dec	999 Cenotaph Campaign - Non Uniform Day	Wear colours of the emergency services (red, blue, green or orange) for £1 donation
Mon 6th Dec	Year 1 Trip to St John's Museum	Victorian Christmas Workshop
Tues 7th Dec	Year 2 Christmas Show 2pm	Year 2 Christmas Show 4pm
Tues 7th Dec	Flu Immunisation	Please sign online consent form for Warwickshire Immunisation Team
Wed 8th Dec	Year 1 Christmas Show 2pm	Year 1 Christmas Show 4pm
Thurs 9th Dec	Fiery Feet Performance 2.30pm	Year 2 Only - ticket required
Wed 15 th Dec	Christmas Jumper & Christmas Dinner Day	Wear your Christmas Jumpers and donate £1 to Save the Children
Thurs 16th Dec	Class parties	Children can come to school in their party clothes
Fri 17th Dec	END OF TERM (CHRISTMAS BREAK)	
Tues 4th Jan	INSET DAY	
Wed 5th Jan	Children return to school	

Tickets for Christmas Shows have been handed out to children. If you have not received them due to absence please speak to the class teacher.

Christmas Cards - Emscote postal service!



From next week children can post cards to their school friends in our post box just outside the school office. Our year 2 children will then sort and deliver to classrooms. Please use this service to save time in the classrooms in the mornings.



Children can come to school in their party clothes on **Thursday 16th Dec**; they will all have a party food lunch provided by the kitchen and afterwards have a fun afternoon of party games in their classrooms.

Reading at Home – let's make a real difference!

Reading is such an important part of learning and for children to be able to fully engage in the school curriculum and day-to-day life. We are so appreciative of our parents that fully support their children and we see that this really does make a difference to the progress that children make in school.

We are extremely keen that **all** our parents and carers support their children with regular reading at home – listening to their child at a very minimum of 3 times please (5-10 minutes at a time is all that is needed to get started)! We will be regularly reviewing this support through checking reading diaries. Writing a name or initial and page number that your child has reached is enough for us to see this.

For early readers, the following way of reading is good:

First read of the book – sounding out words to read new words and develop greater sight reading of known words. Checking of the meaning of new words.

Second read of the book – developing fluency from first read.

Third read of the book – re-telling of the story orally and asking questions (e.g. what is happening, who are the characters, how characters feel, what will happen next, did you enjoy the book and why? etc).

Please come and speak to your class teacher if you wish to discuss your child's reading further.

We will plan to call parents if we see that regular reading is not taking place at home to discuss ways to remove any barriers.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mrs Stephenson

Literacy Coordinator

Absence and Covid Testing

We are seeing a lot of absence in school at the moment and unfortunately our Covid-19 cases are rising. If your child is unwell please keep them home and book a PCR test if they have symptoms that could be Covid related. We would much rather your child have a day off than spread the virus unknowingly. Your child's attendance will not be affected by being cautious and keeping them home whilst waiting for results.



Children in need

Thanks to all those who dressed up and donated – we raised a total of £181.35 for this fantastic charity.



Deck the Halls!



The children have loved seeing our decorations going up this week!

Late arrival at school

We would like to politely remind parents to arrive on time in the morning. School gates open at 8.45am – 8.55am. Children are expected to be in school for 8.55am ready for registration. Please can we also ask that people remember to give their children their water bottles, lunch bags, book bags etc ready for the day ahead.

Being on time for school is very important. Often key skills such as literacy and numeracy are taught at the beginning of the school day and children who arrive late can miss important learning. In addition, late arriving children miss important information on what is happening during the day, which can leave them confused and distressed as they don't know what is going on.

Thank you

The St Mary's Christmas Tree Festival is back in 2021 bigger than ever.

A magical display of decorated Christmas Trees have been sponsored by over fifty Warwick businesses, charities, community groups and schools. Please vote for Emscote Infant and All Saints' Junior School!



The Emscote and All Saints PTA presents...

CHRISTMAS JUMPER SWAP!

EACH YEAR 1 IN 4 CHRISTMAS JUMPERS END UP THROWN AWAY OR NEVER WORN AGAIN.
WE CAN CHANGE THIS!

**WE ARE HOSTING A
BIG CHRISTMAS JUMPER SWAP!**

Bring in your pre-loved Christmas jumper by **30th November**. Please put in the labelled containers by the main office entrances at Emscote and All Saints. jumpers will be on sale for a donation of £2 per item

**Wednesday 1st December
Emscote School
3-4pm.**

HELP US REDUCE, REUSE AND RECYCLE!



Year 2 Trip To Warwick University Climbing Wall

Year 2 had a very exciting time this week as they were finally able to go on a school trip. Linked to the Autumn topic of Healthy World, Healthy Me the classes went to the amazing Warwick University Sports Centre. The children had a brilliant day braving the enormous climbing walls. After a short coach journey, the staff saw lots of very brave children conquering their fears to climb up as far as they wanted up the high walls. They also had a go at bouldering and showing how courageous they could be. Groups of children also used the sports hall to play a range of fun team games and activities to keep fit and active. A busy and sporty trip was had by all and Emscote staff were very proud of how the children got involved and represented the school on what was their first school trip.



October newsletter from Connect for Health

Here's the October newsletter from your school nursing service, which contains mental health resources and activities for children, young people and families, as well as information for Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Download the newsletter: <https://www.compass-uk.org/newsletter-october-2021/>

Raring2go! - link to Autumn 2021 edition

<https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/southwarwickshire/autumn/>

Eligibility for Free School Meals and other funding

We know that from time to time circumstances can change and you may find you become eligible for Free School Meals and subsequently Pupil Premium Funding.

To make an application if you think you may be eligible please visit

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals>

School Open Days/Tours

Traditionally we like to show any prospective parents our school on a one to one basis rather than offering an open day. Please let any family and friends know to contact the office at admin2332@welearn365.com to arrange a tour of the school.

Connect for Health November edition has a focus on Anti-Bullying Week and Stress Awareness Day. All newsletters can be found at

<https://www.compass-uk.org/c4h-newsletters/>.

Warwickshire Family Service

The latest edition of the Family Information Service newsletter is available to read at

<https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/family-information-service-newsletter-1200088?e=56e08a503a>

In this weeks Family Information Service newsletter there is information on the annual Anti-Bullying Week, Brake Road Safety Week, how to get involved with the Wilder Wellness project and much more! The Family Information Service is here to support families across Warwickshire. As always, you can get in touch with us by emailing fis@warwickshire.gov.uk or calling 01926 742274



Christmas Wreath Workshop

With @tallness

At:

Emscote Infant School,
All Saints Road,
CV34 5NH

£35 per person.
Includes professional instruction
by @tallness and take-home
wreath, wines, soft drinks and
warm festive snacks.

Friday

3rd December

6pm-8pm

https://www.pia-events.co.uk/emscoteandallsaintspta/index.cfm?event=venueid=4165&_YV1=wp&_X0



The Emscote and All Saints PTA presents...



This year we are running the 100 Club as part of our fundraising activities across All Saints and Emscote. Essentially it is a monthly lottery draw. Proceeds will be split 50/50 to fund projects for all children at Emscote and All Saints and to provide cash prizes for two lucky winners each month!

For £1 per month (£10 for ten months Oct-Jul) you are allocated one number between 1 and 100. If all 100 numbers are sold the prizes are 1st £30, 2nd £20, so the more numbers we sell the bigger the prizes.

This is not just open to parents; it's a good way for grandparents, aunts and uncles to support projects for the children. All money raised in 2021/22 is spent in the same academic year.

This year, we are running the 100 club for 10 months (October 2021 July 2022 inclusive). The draws will take place on the last Friday of every month.

If you would like to join please go to the website
www.pia-events.co.uk/emscoteandallsaintspta
and purchase your ticket on there.

For further information email: emscoteandallsaintspta@gmail.com

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Adult and Community Learning Winter Workshops

Treat yourself to something special in the run up to the holidays

We have an exciting range of arts, craft, language and culture workshops to choose from, taking place at Pound Lane in Leamington or online.



Saturday mornings at Pound Lane, Leamington Spa, CV32 7RT

Saturday 13th November

- Eco friendly oil painting 10:00 – 13:00
- How to get Started with Crochet 10:00 – 13:00
- Advent calendars 10:00 – 13:00
- Bring a Story to Life 10:00 – 12:00

Saturday 20th November

- Naïve/stylised still life 10:00 – 12:00
- Felt Christmas decorations 10:00 – 12:00
- Spanish grammar 11:00 – 13:00
- Scarecrows 10:00 – 12:00

Saturday 4th December

- Crocheted Christmas decorations 10:00 – 13:00
- Spanish culture and traditions 11:00 – 13:00
- Eco friendly oil painting 10:00 – 13:00
- Collage and painting 10:00 – 13:00
- Bring a Story to Life 10:00 – 12:00

Online (Enrol using the links)

Dress your table Thursday 11th November 10.00 – 12.00

<https://bit.ly/3vpN4aQ>

Salt dough decorations Thursday 18th November 10.00 – 12.00

<https://bit.ly/3D19xAs>

Christmas garlands Thursday 25th November 10.00 – 12.00

<https://bit.ly/2XoSYwt>

*****NB. Fees may apply, see links for further information*****

Enrol:

Art:

<https://bit.ly/2Xvdked>



Craft:

<https://bit.ly/3D806Aq>



Languages:

<https://bit.ly/26x0hCB>



For more information you can contact:

01926 736392 or acl@warwickshire.gov.uk



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FREE SCHOOL MEAL ENTITLEMENT AND PUPIL PREMIUM REGISTRATION

Due to the current situation with COVID-19, we are aware that Parent and Carer's circumstances may have changed. 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 lunch-time, but this is a separate entitlement.

If your child qualifies for Free School Meals they will also receive **Pupil Premium funding**. This entitles your child to free or subsidised school trips, music lessons, school uniform and help to access after school clubs. Registering children for Free School Meals and subsequently Pupil Premium also enables the school to claim additional funding to improve resources for your child in school.

If you can answer yes to any of the following questions you may be eligible:

- Is your joint family **income** under £16,190 per year?
- Are you in receipt of any of the **benefits** listed below?
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support from NASS (National Asylum Support Service) under part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190
- Working Tax Credit run-on
- Universal Credit.
- Are you or your partner a member of the **Armed Forces**?

All reception, year 1 and year 2 children in state-funded schools can have a free hot meal at lunchtime. This is known as 'Universal Entitlement'. If you think you are eligible for any of the criteria above we recommend that you still apply. This will mean that your child's school does not miss out on important funding. **It may also mean your child will continue to receive free meals after the end of year 2.**

If you think you are eligible then you can apply online at

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals>



Weekly Menu

Week one

Week Commencing: 30/08, 20/9, 11/10, 1/11, 22/11, 3/12/22, 24/1, 14/2, 7/3, 28/3, 2/5, 23/5, 20/6, 11/7.

MONDAY

Choose a main meal...

British Pork Sausages with Gravy and Creamy Mashed Potatoes

(v,h) Chinese Style Quorn with Noodles

On the side...
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v) Strawberry Swirl Mousse
(v) Cheddar Cheese, Crackers and Apple Slices
(v) Organic Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

TUESDAY

Choose a main meal...

Barbecue Marinated British Chicken Breast Wrap, Baked Potato Wedges

(v,h) Chef's Free Range Omelette with Baked Potato Wedges

On the side...
Fresh Salad
Corn on the Cob or Peas

For dessert...

(v,h) Peach Melba Sponge with Raspberry Drizzle Icing
(v) Organic Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

WEDNESDAY

Choose a main meal... WEDNESDAY ROAST

British Roast Pork, Joint or Loiri Steak or Gammon Joint, Sage and Onion Stuffing, Gravy and Crispy Roast Potatoes

(v) Vegetable Korma with Rice

On the side...
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v,h) Apple Charlotte and Custard
(v) Ice Cream Tub
(v) Organic Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

THURSDAY

Choose a main meal...

(h) Lowerhurst Farm Organic Beef Bolognaises with Pasta and Malted Wheat Baguette

(v,h) Cheddar Cheese and Potato Pie

On the side...
Vegetables of the Day
Baked Beans

For dessert...

(v) Chocolate Mousse with Fruit in Juice on the Side
(v,h) Cherry Cookie
(v) Organic Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

FRIDAY

Choose a main meal... FISHY FRIDAY

(mso) Crispy Salmon Fishcake with Cris-Cross Potatoes

(v,h) Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Cris-Cross Potatoes

On the side...
Fresh Salad
Peas or Baked Beans

For dessert...

(v,h) Chocolate Frosted Sponge
(v) Organic Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

Week two

Week Commencing: 6/9, 27/9, 18/10, 8/11, 29/11, 10/12/22, 3/1/23, 14/3, 4/4, 5/5, 6/6, 27/6, 18/7.

MONDAY

Choose a main meal...

Organic Pork Meatballs, Rich and Rustic Tomato Gravy and Pasta

(v,g,h) Veggie Sausages with Gravy and Crispy Diced Potatoes

On the side...
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v,g,h) Chef's Choice Flapjack
(v) Organic Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

TUESDAY

Choose a main meal...

Brunch Lunch - Bacon Medallion, Pork Sausage, Omelette and Baked Potato Wedges

(v,h) Mild and Creamy Quorn Korma with Wholegrain Rice

On the side...
Peas
Baked Beans

For dessert...

(v,h) Chef's Sponge Cake Choice with Fruit in Juice on the Side
(v) Organic Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

WEDNESDAY

Choose a main meal... WEDNESDAY ROAST

British Roast Beef, Yorkshire Pudding, Gravy and Crispy Roast Potatoes

(v,g,h) Veggie Bolognaises with Noodles

On the side...
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v,h) Fruit Crumble and Custard
(v) Ice Cream Tub
(v) Organic Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

THURSDAY

Choose a main meal...

(h) British Chicken Pie with Gravy, Creamy Mash or Crispy Potatoes

(v,g) Breaded/umbed Vegetable Fingers with Crispy Potatoes

On the side...
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v,h) Up Beet Chocolate Cake
(v) Organic Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

FRIDAY

Choose a main meal... FISHY FRIDAY

(mso) Gluten Free Breaded Fish Fillet with Chipped Potatoes

(v) Quorn Nuggets with Rainbow Rice/Sweet Chilli Dip

On the side...
Peas
Baked Beans

For dessert...

(v) Two Dinky Doughnuts with Dipping Sauce
(v) Organic Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

Week three

Week Commencing: 13/9, 4/10, 15/11, 6/12, 17/1/23, 7/2, 28/2, 21/3, 25/4, 16/5, 13/6, 4/7.

MONDAY

Choose a main meal... MEAT FREE MONDAY

(v) Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Baked Potato Wedges

(v,g) Plant Power Veggie Balls in Rich and Rustic Tomato Sauce with Rice

On the side...
Peas
Baked Beans

For dessert...

(v,g,h) Chocolate Cadenel
(v) Organic Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

TUESDAY

Choose a main meal...

Lowerhurst Farm Organic Beef Grill in a High Fibre Bun with Crispy Potatoes

(v,h) Cheesy Pasta Bake with Malted Wheat Baguette

On the side...
Fresh Salad
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

Jelly with Fruit
(v) Ice Cream Tub
(v) Organic Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

WEDNESDAY

Choose a main meal... WEDNESDAY ROAST

British Roast Chicken Joint or Fillet, Gravy and Crispy Roast Potatoes

(v) Quorn Fillet, Gravy and Crispy Roast Potatoes

On the side...
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v,h) Syrup Sponge with Custard
(v,g,h) Zesty Orange Cookie
(v) Organic Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

THURSDAY

Choose a main meal...

(h) Lowerhurst Farm Organic Beef and Tomato Fusilli with Garlic Bread

(v,g) Veggie Hot Dog in a Finger Roll with Ketchup and Baked Potato Wedges

On the side...
Fresh Salad
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v,g,h) Shortbread
(v) Organic Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

FRIDAY

Choose a main meal... FISHY FRIDAY

(mso) Gluten Free Breaded Fish Fingers with Chipped Potatoes

(v,h) Jacket Potato with Cheddar Cheese

On the side...
Peas
Baked Beans

For dessert...

(v,h) Chocolate and Pear Brownie
(v) Ice Cream Tub
(v) Organic Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

A veggie meal is available on request on days when (v,g,h) is not shown as a choice. Please note: All our fish is natural whole fish and although great care has been taken to remove all bones, some tiny remains.

Shel 2021 © Cooks

Everyday we offer: Fruit Juice, Cordial, Organic Semi Skimmed Milk and a Fresh Bread Basket.
Ketchup is offered with selected dishes.
Vegetable accompaniments change to reflect seasonal availability.

(v) Vegetarian option (h) Homemade (v,g) Vegan (mso) Certified Sustainable Seafood (h) Homemade



Please contact your school cook for information regarding the content of dishes and products on our menu.

Allergies

Warwickshire School Term and Holiday Dates - 2021/22

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August 2021						
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Half Term	Days
1	37
2	35
3	34
4	30
5	24
6	34
Total*	194

	Total days
Autumn Term	72
Spring Term	64
Summer Term	58



School Holiday * one more day of holiday than usual due to additional day granted for
Public Holiday Queens's Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday
Teacher Training Day (+3 to be set by school)



School Induction Day

Inset Days set by school are highlighted above - 3/9, 28/2, 6/06]