

Emscote Express

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Diary dates

2019



June

- 10th Book Fair week
- 11th Reception trip to Ryton Pools
- 13th Day of the African Child
- 18th Father's Day Breakfast, 8.30am
- 19th Oak Sharing Assembly
- 20th Meeting for new reception parents
- 21st All years trip to Cotswolds Wildlife Park
- 27th Transition day for Warwickshire
- 28th Willow Sharing Assembly
- 29th PTA Summer Fair, 12-2pm

July

- 2nd Sports Day
- 5th Cherry Sharing Assembly
- 10th Year 2 Concert and Barbecue
- 12th Chestnut Sharing Assembly
- 18th Emscote Art Gallery, 2pm
- 19th – TERM FINISHES for pupils
- 22nd - Inset day – school closed

BOOK FAIR

Next week our popular book fair will be in school at 3pm every day. There are great books on sale from just £2.99 and a 3 for 2 offer. All sales earn commission for school so we hope you can support it. Visit

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/travelling-books/the-books>

for a sneak preview, and if you have time to help sell then please let the office know.

Reading helps children succeed!

Just to remind parents and carers that we ask you to listen to your child read 4 times per week.

There is lots of research and evidence that shows this regular reading helps children be more successful at school. We do monitor how often children are reading at home as we see it as so important.

Whole School Homework We're opening an Art Gallery!



As part of our topic on arts and artist we would like every child to produce a piece of artwork of any size and in any medium. We will make frames at school, as a finishing touch. The children will also write a short introduction to their artwork at school.

We will display all the artwork in our pop up Emscote Art Gallery on Thursday 18th July at 2pm. We would love parents to visit the gallery and have a cup of tea with your child. You may take your child home after. Deadline for the artwork to be in school is Monday 15th July.

Visitors from Bo, Sierra Leone

Next week we have some visiting teachers at both federation schools from our partner schools in Bo, Sierra Leone.

The teachers will be meeting staff and children and learning how we teach and learn here in Warwick. We look forward to welcoming our visitors and please do say hello if you bump into them in school.

£5 Sending money into school

Mrs Baker and Mrs Sargeant would be very grateful if all money sent into school can be put in an envelope with your child's name on. This ensures that we accurately record who has sent money into school. Thank you!

Traffic delays ahead....

As part of Warwick Town Council's traffic improvement works we are expecting jams and delays. Please consider this when planning what time to leave for school. As always we ask you to walk whenever possible.



Punctuality for school



is vital!

School Administrator Vacancy

Due to staff changes, Emscote Infant School is looking for a new Administrator. The post is for 30 hours per week, 39 weeks per year and offers an interesting and fulfilling job that fits around school times and holidays.

Full details and application details are at:

<https://www.wmjobs.co.uk/job/58133/school-administrator/>

Litter pick!

As an eco school we want to keep reminding the children about the importance of looking after our environment. With that in mind, the Eco Council will be doing a litter pick next Friday 14th June lead by Mrs Fawbert and Mr Queralt.

A Note on Finances...

As many of you will be aware, school budgets are currently very challenging and we continue to prioritise our spend to ensure that we provide a safe, welcoming and enriching environment for our pupils to learn and grow. The income the school receives from the Government and the Local Authority consists of specific allocations, for which there is clear criteria on what it can be spent on. We, with the support of the finance team at Warwickshire County Council and our Governors, closely monitor and manage the schools' budgets.

We have benefited in recent years from donations from King Henry VIII Trust, Mission House Trust, All Saints' Church, St. Mary's Hall Trust, National Grid and Tesco to name a few. We would love to hear from you if you know of any grants or matched funding that the school could benefit from. Please pop into the office to speak to our Business Manager, Stephanie Ferries, or send us an email.

In such a challenging financial environment, it makes it even more wonderful that we have such an incredible and proactive PTA. They continue to arrange activities for us all to enjoy and facilitate us coming together as a community.

The money that you have raised over the course of this year through PTA fundraising has helped us to provide additional school trips, books, curriculum resources, celebrations and equipment to improve the learning environment and complement our curriculum.

*Thank you to you all,
from all of us at the
Emscote Infants and All
Saints' Junior School
Federation*

Emscote Express Book Corner

Every issue, we ask a member of staff or school helper to tell us about their favourite book. This issue's guest in the Book Corner is kitchen assistant **Miss Grimes!**

Title of Book

'The Enchanted Wood' by Enid Blyton

What's it about?

A magical wood where Jo, Bessie and Fanny meet some wonderful new friends.

Why is it your favourite book?

I loved this book as a child – every chapter had a new adventure and they all sounded very exciting!

