

School News



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SPRING TERM 2022

Thursday 17th March

Dear Families,

We are looking forward to seeing you in the coming weeks for parents consultation evening, either face to face on Wednesday 30th March, or virtually on Tuesday 5th April. Booking letters have now gone out to families; please return your booking slip as soon as possible if you haven't already.

Thank you for your continued support with our reading passport – the focus for rest of half term is visiting the library (back by popular demand!) – please keep sending in your photos which will be used for our in-school display.

A reminder school is closed to children for an INSET day tomorrow (Friday 18th March). Have a lovely extended weekend—we will see you all again on Monday (21st March). **Mrs Highman**

Year 4 become PCSOs and cyclists



A group of Year 4 pupils have been working hard over the last fortnight alongside West Midlands Police taking the role of 'Junior PCSOs'. Watch this space for a project they'll be working on! Year 4 have also been fortunate this week to have taken part in bike-ability training - they have learnt lots of new skills—well done!

*Several bikes and scooters are being left unsecured during the school day in the bike rack—please ensure these are secured—school can take no responsibility for any lost or stolen.

Daffodil pins on sale



Marie Curie daffodil pins are now on sale for a suggested donation of £1. If your child would like one, please send them into school with their donation and Year 6 children will sell them each day.

Book fair reminder:

All classes will have a slot during the school day on Monday 28th March where they will visit the Book Fair in the hall. The children will be able to browse the books but also we welcome the children to purchase a book(s) – money can be sent in in a named wallet/envelope and staff will support children with their choices.

On Wednesday 30th March, Book Fair will be open after school as usual; this coincides with our face-to-face Parent Consultation Evening and will therefore be available until 6pm. Entrance on this date can be via the school hall (until 4pm) or the main entrance. Finally, Book Fair will be open on Thursday 31st March until 4pm, entrance via the hall door.

French day reminder—Friday 25th March

We have been learning French for a whole year at Edward the Elder! To celebrate, we are having a French theme day next Friday (25th). Pupils are invited to come dressed in the colours of the French flag: red, white and/or blue or to dress up in traditional French clothing – think berets and striped tops!

Children will continue their French learning which will include completing an array of activities and even take part in food tasting! The children will also learn about Easter traditions in France. We kindly ask for a donation of £1 on this day. This can be paid in cash or on Pay 360.

Challenge: Can you include anything in your lunchbox which is from France? Perhaps a French picnic lunchbox! (School dinner children – watch out for a French twist on the menu!)

2021-2022 KEY DATES

Friday 18th March—INSET Day—School closed to children

Every Monday after school—Year 2 and Year 6 boosters

Wednesdays & Fridays—Soccer 2000 extra curricular clubs (*note—there will be no Soccer 2000 club for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils on Wednesday 30th March due to Parents Evening. The final Soccer 2000 club for KS2 will be on Friday 1st April. The final Soccer 2000 club for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be Wednesday 6th April.*)

Tuesday 22nd March—Maths Challenge at Girls High (4 pupils representing Edward the Elder)

Thursday 24th March—Year 1 visit to Twycross Zoo

Friday 25th March—French Day

Monday 28th March— all classes will visit book fair during the day

Tuesday 29th March 2pm-3pm—Reception Parent phonics event—postponed until after Easter

Tuesday 29th March—Year 5 African Drummers Day

Wednesday 30th until 6pm and Thursday 31st March until 4pm—Book Fair open after school

Wednesday 30th March 3.30pm-6pm —Face to face parents evening

Tuesday 5th April 3.30pm-5pm—Virtual parents evening

Thursday 31st March—Reception visit to Rays Farm

Tuesday 5th April—Nursery Easter bonnet parade (in school only)

Thursday 7th-Friday 8th April—Year 2 residential (please remember to make payment)

Friday 8th April—Break up for Easter Holidays 3.15pm

Easter holidays: Monday 11th April—Friday 22nd April

Term time: Monday 25th April 2022—Friday 27th May 2022

Monday 2nd May—Bank holiday—school closed to children

Thursday 5th May—school closed to children for local elections

Week beginning May 9th—Year 6 SATS

Half term Monday 30th May 2022—Friday 3rd June 2022

Monday 6th June 2022 - School closed to children (additional holiday due to Queen's Jubilee)

Term time: Tuesday 7th June 2022—Friday 22nd July 2022

Friday 1st July—INSET Day—School closed to children

Talking to Young People about Conflict

The City of Wolverhampton Educational Psychology Service has issued the following advice about talking to young people about conflict:

Why is it important to talk to children and young people about what is happening in Ukraine?

- To help them to process any difficult emotions that arise
- To address any misinformation
- To model and encourage compassionate views towards others

What can adults do to support children and young people?

- Take care of your own needs and manage your own feelings
- Look out for signs of anxiety
- Create space for them to talk and listen when they do
- Validate their feelings
- Manage the information they receive
- Provide a sense of security
- Be aware if your child is particularly vulnerable

Websites which can help:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround&more-stories-2>

<https://www.barnardos.ie/media/14835/talking-to-children-about-war.pdf>