

Emscote Express

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Message from Mr Queralt

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am proud to say how well the children have settled into school so far this term and how delighted we all are with their learning. It's lovely to see them building new friendships and playing with their year group again. As the world seems to be full of uncertainty, I'm pleased to say that Emscote remains as calm, happy and nurturing as ever.

We are also pleased to welcome back a number of our sports providers including Warwick School, Premier Active and Fiery Feet and the children have thoroughly enjoyed their PE and dance sessions. Well done to Jack in year 1 for winning Mr Partridge's award for effort and participation in multisports skills!

We hope that year 1 and 2 parents found the virtual class meetings this week a useful opportunity to meet the staff and find out about year group expectations. We hope that our reception year parents are able to join us for our reading meeting on 6th October and look forward to meeting you again.

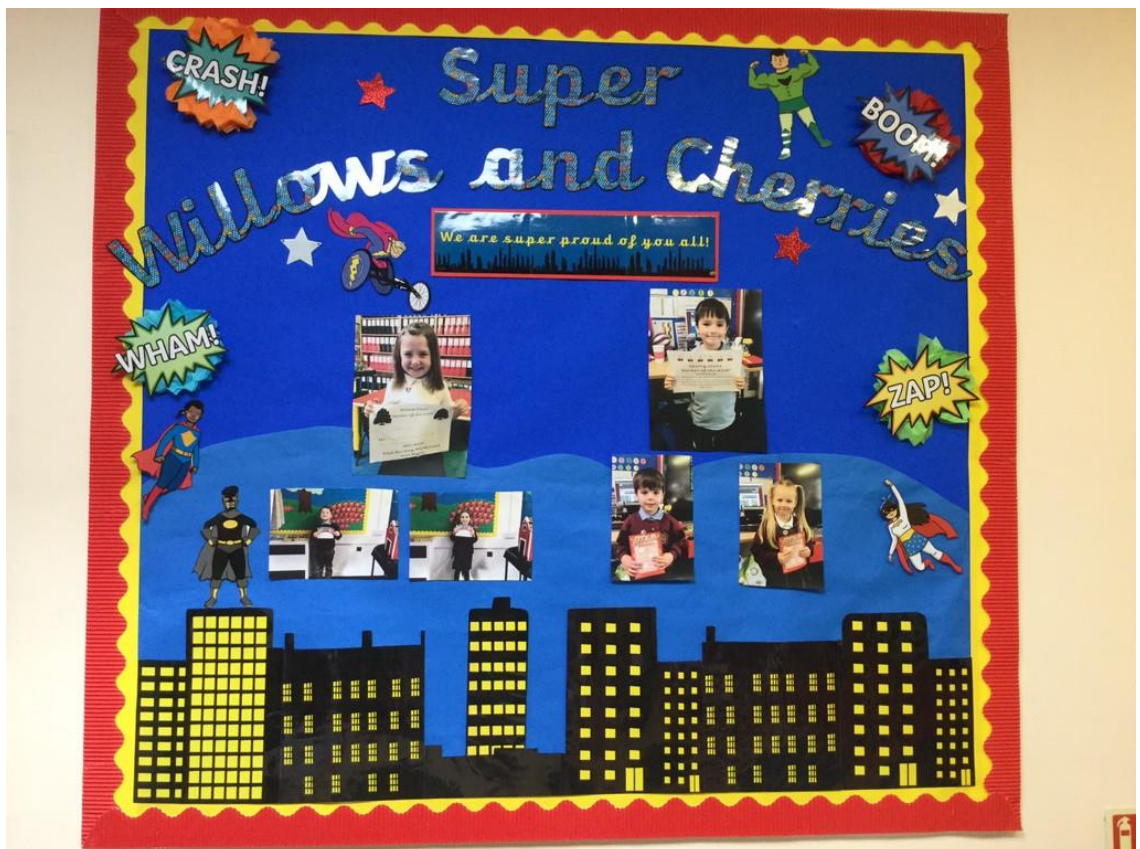
If you have any queries for a teacher, myself or one of the team, please remember that you can contact us via the office.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Queralt

Stars of the Week!

This week we have been busy rewarding the children for lots of good work, kindness and super behaviour. Each year group has a special display in school with a photo of the children holding their certificate. Here are just a few of our superstars from this week!



Dates for the diary:

October 1st Census Day lunch menu – special mythical creatures deli bag

October 2nd Individual School Photos

October 5th Flu vaccination (all year years)

October 6th Virtual reading meeting for reception parents

October 26th- 30th Half Term

November 2nd Inset day

December 18th Last Day of Term

January 4th Inset Day

February 15th-19th Half term

February 22nd Inset day

February 23rd Living eggs arrive in school

Macmillan Coffee Morning

This September Macmillan are encouraging families to host socially distanced or virtual coffee mornings. If you'd like to help raise money for Macmillan, please visit their website using the link below for information on how to host and donate. <https://coffee.macmillan.org.uk/hosting/how-to-host/>

Reading Meeting

All Reception parents are invited to a virtual meeting on 6th October at 7pm, to talk about how we teach reading here at Emscote Infant School. It's a great opportunity to see how best to support your child to acquire this lifelong skill.

Zoom Meeting Details:

<https://zoom.us/j/91767244672?pwd=WEJXVHBZyXF5UXFiK3pNZIBuSWtTdz09>

Meeting ID: 917 6724 4672

Passcode: 7D41Y6

School Photos

Jane Stapleton Photography will be in school on Friday 2nd October to take individual photos of all the children. Unfortunately we are unable to offer sibling photos this year due to bubble restrictions.

Flu Immunisation

Children from reception year through to year 6 are able to receive their annual flu vaccination in school on Monday 5th October. Children will stay in their year group bubbles for the vaccination. Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family by preventing the spread of flu. The vaccination is a free, quick and simple spray up the nose. Please check your emails for a copy of your electronic consent form.

Social Distancing

Please remember to use the markers provided to help socially distance from others when waiting for your child/ren. We also ask that you arrive on time and do not wait around the school gates once your child is safely in school. Please see posters below for further guidance about wearing a face covering at the school gates.



Home learning

If your child is going to be absent from school whilst awaiting test results for themselves or a family member we have made provision for them to access some home learning providing they are well enough. Please contact the office to arrange for home learning to be issued.

Clothing for wet weather

Please ensure your child comes in with a named, waterproof coat every day. They are also welcome to bring in a pair of named wellies as we do encourage the grassy area to be used throughout the year – and they can visit our resident chickens!

Birthdays

Children are welcome to wear their home clothes when it is their birthday. Unfortunately, we will not be able to share out birthday sweets, even if they are wrapped. Sorry for any disappointment!

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-1191908?e=819c8cf1fc>

In this edition, you will find out about volunteering as a Parent Champion across Warwickshire, a survey about domestic abuse, more information about an Every Mind Matters mental health campaign and much more!

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 to arrange a tour of the school from the outside. We are also able to send lots of information, including a virtual tour of our classrooms, via email or this can be accessed via our website.

Preschool Vacancy

Emscote Preschool are looking to employ a member of staff to work from 8.30am-3.45pm Monday to Friday. Ideally, with an NVQ3 qualification, the position is to cover maternity leave for one year only. Please contact Laura at emscotepreschool@gmail.com for further information.

Caretaker Apprenticeship

We are looking for an apprentice to assist our Site Service Officer (SSO) with the day to day routine maintenance, cleaning duties, security and smooth running of Emscote Infants and All Saints' Junior School. This is a full time apprenticeship, working Monday to Friday. For further details please follow the link below:

https://www.indeed.co.uk/viewjob?t=site+services+officer+apprentice&jk=e4032df38a9ec512&_ga=2.104302272.1524847271.1600682154-484842848.1570547218

Babies in Mind: Why the Parent's Mind Matters

The University of Warwick are offering a free online course aimed at everyone who has an interest in promoting the wellbeing of their own baby or the parents and babies they work with. For further information visit

<https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/sci/med/about/centres/wifwu/training/bim/>

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>

Recognising Coronavirus (COVID-19) Symptoms

Symptoms	Coronavirus Symptoms range from mild to severe	Cold Gradual onset of symptoms	Flu Rapid onset of symptoms
Fever (37.8°C or above)	Common	Rare	Common
Fatigue	Sometimes	Sometimes	Common
Cough	Common (usually dry)	Mild	Common (usually dry)
Sneezing	No	Common	No
Aches and pains	Sometimes	Common	Common
Runny or stuffy nose	Rare	Common	Sometimes
Sore throat	Sometimes	Common	Sometimes
Diarrhea	Rare	No	Sometimes (for children)
Headaches	Sometimes	Rare	Common
Shortness of breath	Sometimes	No	No

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KITS ACADEMY

GET YOUR KIDS ACTIVE DURING THE HOLIDAYS



**ONLINE BOOKING ONLY
DUE TO COVID-19**



We are the official schools and community partner of Coventry Blaze. Throughout the holidays there will be hockey related fun and games & the chance to meet Scorch the Dragon!



WARWICK

All Saints Primary School, Nelson Avenue, CV34 5LY



MULTI SPORTS & DANCE



OCTOBER HALF TERM
26th - 30th October 2020

AGES: Year 1 - Year 8

COST: £45 per week

EARLY BIRD: £40 per week*

(*If booked before Friday 2nd October)

TIMES

DROP OFF
9:00am

PICK UP
4:00pm

**ALL ACTIVITIES MEET NHS AND
DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION GUIDELINES**

TO BOOK: VISIT WWW.KITSACADEMY.COM



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