Emscote Express

Issue 11, 8th March 2024



Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to Spring! It is lovely to see some of the flowers blooming now around the school site and we are looking forward to the warmer weather. Please do continue to send your child to school with a waterproof coat, so we can get outside, whatever the weather!

World Book Day on Thursday was an opportunity for children to bring in a favourite book from home to share with their friends. It was lovely to see the children either in their home clothes, or dressed up as favourite book character.

Thank you to everyone who donated books to the World Book Day book swap (and sale) all monies raised are donations to the PTA to support projects within our schools. Excess books are going to be distributed to classes and within our school library.

Our first Mother's Day afternoon tea for 2024 has been a huge success and we look forward to welcoming more families next week.

A big well done to Chestnut and Oak classes who shared their learning through assemblies this week. A fantastic display of the knowledge that has been acquired and the fun that the children have been having on their journey. Thank you to the Year One team for their efforts in preparing these assemblies with the children.

Thank you

We would like to say a huge thank you to Dawn at Muddy Paws Walks and Pet Service. Dawn (Miss Mansell's mum) was kind enough to donate some wonderful equipment to Gardening Club.

Muddy Paws Walks and Pet Service. Dawn - 07592 071688



<u>Illness reminder</u>

If your child has had a period of vomiting and or diarrhoea, you must keep them away from school for 48 hours from the last episode of illness. This helps to protect everyone, thank you. If you are unsure if your child is well enough t come to school, this is a useful tool.

https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

Have a lovely weekend $\mathcal{M}rs\ \mathcal{N}icol$

Mother's Day Afternoon Tea

Dates for the Diary 2024

www.eduspot.co.uk More info in newsletter https://www.pta-

events.co.uk/emscoteandallsaintspta/ind

children would get more out of it at this

time. Instead we will be having a guest speaker in and doing some role play experiences to explore what happens in

Non uniform and optional silly hair day.

£1 suggested donation to Comic Relief Parents are invited to look through their

books in the classroom from 2.30pm

Parents welcome to join us in the school

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Timings TBC - parents welcome to join

Children spend the day in their new year

ex.cfm?event=event&eventId=77572 We have decided that the trip to the Gurdwara will not be taking place for Year 1. This is a trip that happens in Year

4 at All Saints and we feel that the

a Sikh Temple.

children's

hall from 9am

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More info to follow

groups/schools

More info to follow

Spaces still available for Mon 11th March. Please book via the SHOP at

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel PTA Disco for reception, year 1 and year 2

Year 1 Trip to Gurdwara Sikh

Reception year trip to St John's Museum Easter Service at All Saints' Church Parents Welcome

Red Nose Day **Book Sharing** Phonics Meeting for Year 1 Parents 6pm in the school hall Maple Class Sharing Assembly

Temple

Sycamore Class Sharing Assembly Reception Year Easter Craft Day

Easter Holidays

Fri 22nd March Fri 22nd March

Mon 11th March

Mon 11th - 22nd

Tues 12th March

Wed 13th March

Wed 13th March

Thurs 14th March

Fri 15th March

Mon 18th March

Tues 19th March

Wed 20th March

March

Mon 25th March -Fri 5th April Mon 8th April

Mon 15th April

Tues 30th April Mon 6th May

May

Tues 4th June

Wed 10th July

Fri 19th July

Wed 8th May

Bank Holiday

Mon 27th – Fri 31st

Class Photos Mon 3rd June

Inset Day

May Half Term Holiday Children return to school

Children return to school

Year 1 trip to Mary Arden's Farm

Break up for the Summer Holidays

Reception year trip to Ryton Pools More info to follow

Transition Day

World Book Day 2024!











Tesco Community Champion

We would like to thank Tesco Warwick who support our local community, including our school. They have recently provided us with new items of school uniform and clothing for our families as well as previously making donations of food for various school events. If you are ever asked to complete a survey through their checkout please feel free to mention Melissa, their community champion.

BookTrust Newsletter

Discover author interviews, book recommendations, reading tips, fun activities and thoughts on everything to do with children's books in our features!

https://www.booktrust.org.uk/



Welcome to Connect for Health's March health and well-being update

This month you can celebrate the power of reading this world book day. Whether you're a parent/carer or an educator, this is the perfect opportunity to encourage children and young people to read.

Download Newsletter



Holiday Activities at Market Hall Museum, Warwick

https://heritage.warwickshire.gov.uk/events?location=6&period=full&filterList=Go

Parental Resources

SSS Learning recognise that as primary carers, parents and guardians have an important part to play in keeping their children safe. To support them in doing this we have created a range of free resources which you can make available via a link on your school website. https://ssslearning.co.uk/parentsandguardians

Warwickshire Music Spring Term Newsletter 2024

https://www.warwickshiremusichub.org/cms/pages/files/wm_spring_term__1705669079.pdf

A MIND OF THEIR OWN - a great event for parents/carers and anyone working with children about building your child's emotional wellbeing

In an anxious and confusing world, this event will give parents, carers, and anyone working with young people, practical and preventative tools to help your children build strong emotional resilience and healthy mental wellbeing.

https://www.careforthefamily.org.uk/events/tourevents/a-mind-of-their-own/

Lambing & Animals Weekend 2024 at Moreton Morrell College, CV35 9BP Sat 20 Apr 2024 10:30 AM - Sun 21 Apr 2024

Our annual Lambing & Animals weekend is returning to Moreton Morrell College on Saturday 20th and Sunday 21 April 2024. Come along to see all of the newly born lambs at Nethermorton Farm, meet Farmer Dan, climb up on a tractor and find out how we look after our lambs and ewes. As well as the Farm, you can also visit our more exotic animals in our animal centre, we've got meerkats, raccoon dogs and lots of other cute characters. This year we will see our Farmer's Market returning with even more stalls, lots of local produce and gifts for all the family. We would love you all to join us again in 2024, therefore we have kept our ticket prices the same as last year. The money made from ticket sales goes directly back into Moreton Morrell College.



Dear Parents/Carers,

We have some exciting news for you! We are taking part in the 15th year celebration of Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel, the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. The challenge runs from 11-22 March 2024. It's free to take part and we would love everyone to be involved.

What do you need to do?

Encourage your child(ren) to walk, scoot or cycle to school on as many days as possible during the event. If you usually drive to school, we would encourage you to park further away than you usually do so that your children can also feel that they are taking part by walking further than usual.

Including everyone

We want to make sure that everyone can get involved in Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel. We know it may be more difficult for some pupils to take part than others. If you want to discuss more about your child(ren)'s specific needs, please contact your child's class teacher and we will make sure to look into how your child(ren) can take part.

Why we are taking part

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel is a great way to build physical activity in children's daily routine which is important for their physical health and mental wellbeing.

Active school runs also help to reduce congestion and air pollution outside the school gate. A 2021 YouGov study showed nearly half of UK children worry about air pollution near their school. And that children thought active travel was the best away to bring down these pollution levels.

Plus there are some great prizes to be won every day if we get enough children taking part!

Useful resources

To help you prepare, Sustrans has developed a handy free guide to walking, cycling or scooting to school. It is packed with advice to help you have hassle-free journey to school. Download your free family guide using this link: https://www.sustrans.org.uk/siqn-up-to-receive-your-free-school-run-guide/

For more information about the event go to www.biqwalkandwheel.org.uk . Enjoy the challenge!

Best wishes.

Mrs Sutherland, Mrs Nicol and Mr Queralt

THE SCHOOL

School meals are free for lots of families, check if you are eligible to apply!

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- creates healthy eating habits
- improves learning and behaviour
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Did you know that claiming free that claiming free school meals school to free school to free school and food?







Can l apply?

Your child could be eligible for free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support or Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance

child is aged 4-7

You should still apply if your

and receives a universal free

school meal

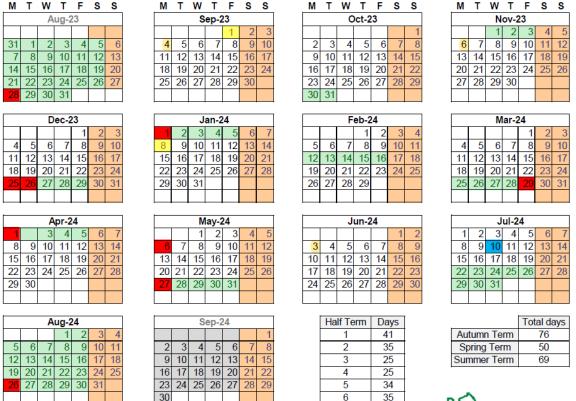
- Support from National Asylum Support Service (NASS)
- Guarantee Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit If you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Find out more and apply at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/fsm













Total

195





Respect

Respect is important in our lives because it helps us develop a sense of self-worth and improves our general wellbeing. This in turn will enable us to develop healthy relationships with others.

If we look at Maslow's hierarchy of needs, respect is part of ensuring that we have high selfesteem. When you respect yourself, this enables you to be open to new opportunities that will help you reach your personal goals. If you feel confident in your own worth, you are more able to recognise when others are not treating you well. Scan the QR code below to watch a video about Maslow's hierarchy of needs!

Being kind and respecting others enables them to feel valued and can also make us feel better.

Our tips for respect:

- Listen to each other's point of view and recognise that it is OK if you do not agree with someone else's opinion.
- 2. Try to keep discussions about the topic and not about the people who are sharing their views.
- As a class, create an agreement and list the ways you would like to be respected by each other in school. You could all sign your name and pin this on the classroom door to remind you about how to be respectful!
- In pairs/small groups, act out a role play to show how you can be respectful towards others. Remember, respect can be shown in lots of different ways so try and think outside the box!
- Create a poster about how you can show respect outside of the classroom too. Think about what you could do at home and in the community.
- Listen to the 'respect rap' by following the QR code and watching the video!



Maslow's hierarchy of needs



#ThanksKids recognises the efforts and kindness of children and young people, and thanks them with personalised #NHSStars certificates. If you know a child or young person that deserves recognition for going above and beyond, don't wait, nominate! thankskids@covwarkpt.nhs.uk.

> MHST are available to support you and your school throughout the school year including term time and school holidays.

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Resilience

"Resilience is the ability to cope with difficult events and situations that happen in our lives."

We can learn ways to make ourselves feel better when we feel that things are getting too difficult to manage. Our resilience can vary according to our age and experiences we have had.

Help your young person to make a Resilience Plan:

Ask your child to write down or discuss the following:

- Things I am good at...
- 2. I feel proud when...
- Today will be a good day because...
- 4. Things I can control...
- Things I cannot control...
- Things that will help me... list some of the things that your child finds helpful for coping with difficult emotions

Exam time can be a particularly tricky time for many young people.

Our tips to build resilience at exam time:

- Make a revision timetable
- Take regular revision breaks
- Find what works best for them e.g. revising alone or with a friend
- Ask your young person to list every person in their lives they can speak to for support.

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Gratitude

Gratitude is when we say 'thank you' for the good things in our life, no matter how big or small. There are lots of things we can feel grateful for, such as the way someone smiles at you, someone holding the door open for you, the important people in your life, a sunny morning, or having your favourite food for dinner.

Research has shown that practising gratitude can have positive effects on our mental health and wellbeing. Gratitude can also improve our relationships, social bonds and promotes a healthy brain with a positive mindset.

Our tips for gratitude:

- Create a gratitude jar find a jar and decorate it however you wish. Think of at least three
 things throughout your day that you are grateful for and write them down. Try to do this every
 day and fill up the jar!
- 2. Create a class gratitude flower start by cutting out a circle and writing 'I am thankful for...' in the middle, this will form the centre of the flower. Each child should be given a piece of paper in the shape of a petal (children could colour in the petal themselves, or coloured paper can be used). Each child should write something they are grateful for on their petal. Then stick the petals to the centre of the flower and display it in the classroom!
- Journalling think back over the last week and write down something that you appreciated.
 Think about places you have been to, conversations you have had with people, and activities you have engaged in.
- 4. Write thank you notes for someone who has treated you with kindness this week. You could write a note and give it to them in person or write an email if they live further away!



More tips for practising gratitude!

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Welcome to the special edition of the Family Information Service newsletter. Please click here to view:

FIS Newsletter



We understand that a lot of families are worried about the impact of the increasing cost of living, and we know that many might struggle to make their incomes stretch to cover the basics. Visit the Cost of Living website to find information and support to manage increased household costs.

This month's special edition focuses on holiday activities in preparation for the Easter break. Read on to find information about activities in Warwickshire and the holiday activities and food (HAF) programme for those who are eligible for benefits-tested free school

meals. https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/family-information-service-newsletter-1222532?e=381cb3651d

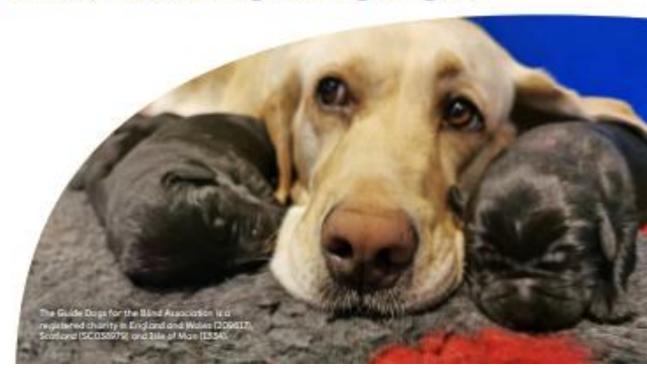


Guide Dog Mum Volunteer Taster Day

Guide Dogs National Centre (CV33 9QJ) Sunday 17th March, 1.00 - 4.00pm.

Meet our amazing guide dog mums, chat with our friendly staff and volunteers & find out more about how you can join this life changing team.

For more details, please contact: VolunteerMidlands@guidedogs.org.uk





March 2024

Newsletter

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Autism: Improving Communication

Small changes can lead to huge improvements with your ability to communicate with someone on the spectrum.

Tuesday 19 March 19:00 - 21:00



What is ACT?

An introduction to Acceptance and Commitment Therapy A different approach to supporting Anxiety, Anger, OCD & Neurodiversity

Thursday 28 March 19:00 - 21:00

19:00 - 21:00 £24



Supporting a child with ADHD challenging the stereotypes and giving practical advice

facefamilyadvice.co.uk.

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk









Calling all active 4 to 12 Year Olds!

Monday 25th to Thursday 28th March & Tuesday 2nd to Thursday 5th April 9 am to 4pm each day!



There is no time to be bored this Easter with our

wide range of activities including

At Racing Club Warwick, CV34 6JP

Sports and active games Team building games Arts and Crafts Baking

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10 - 12:15pm For Reception to Year 6

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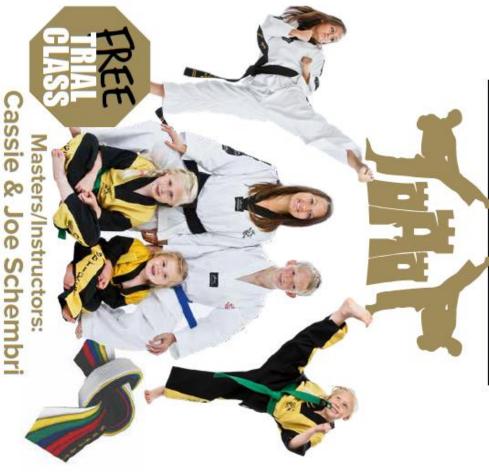
Visitor Information Centre, Royal Pump Rooms, The Parade, Leamington or Visit Warwick, The Court House, Warwick

www.leamingtonmusic.org

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Thursday Southam Club

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YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 16-23 IN WARWICK SESSIONS FOR CHILDREN AGED 6+ AND WEEKEND SINGING AND SONGWRITING

SPRING DATES

Sunday 10th March 2pm Saturday 3rd February 2pm to 5pm Saturday 20th January 2pm to 5pm

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PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN NETBALL FOR

Brand new weekly netball sessions at Kenilworth School for children aged Reception to Year 6.

Launching in January 2024, our weekly netbal sessions on a Thursday evening are aimed at 4 to 11 year-olds

Session 1 (Reception / Year 1/ Year 2 / Year 3) 6:00-6:45pm Session 2 (Year 4 / Year 5 / Year 6) 6:00-7:00pm

First session for free, sign up now!



What parents say about Kid Squad.

highly enough of the coaches, they are empowering the kids for sare. Highly recommend for anyone looking to "My daughter is having an artiscing time with Kild Squad Warwickshire. She loves her notball training. Can't speak start a journey in netball,"

the league matches. Her knowledge, skills and confidence have improved significantly since joining and this is all down to the "This is such a furtastic club. My daughter absolutely loves the training sessions and quality teaching and care from the

> primary-aged kid needs in their lite!" the netball club "Kid Squad is that every

"My daughter LOVES going to Kid Squad Warwickshire. Kid Squad is a fantastic

group for my daughter to join girts from all different schools Learning nelball skills, gaining This has been a fartactic Severaping them and making The coaches are fab, always

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coordination skills, learn drills & new skills and play together as a team opportunity for children to make friends, keep fit & agile, develop handleye coaches who are clearly passionate about netball and sport in general. A great be lacking in typical girts team sports in the area. The sessions are run by introduction to netball for primary age school children - something that seemed to

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PARENT CARER VOICE

PARENT CARER FORUM

Are you a parent or carer of a child or young person aged 0-25 with special educational needs and/or disability (SEND)?





WARWICKSHIRE

PARENT CARER VOICE

CARER FORUM?

A parent carer forum is a group of parents and carers of disabled children. Their aim is to make sure the services in their area meet the needs of disabled children and their families. Warwickshire Parent Carer Voice is the recognised forum for Warwickshire. We are completely independent of Warwickshire County Council and the local health services.





Warwickshire Parent Carer Voice is a **parent carer led organisation** working to ensure that every parent carer in Warwickshire feels that their views and experiences matter, and gets their voice heard to develop and improve services for children and young people with special educational needs and/ or SEND.

We welcome any parent carer who lives (or uses services) in Warwickshire, with a child or young person (aged 0-25) regardless of their disabilities (no diagnosis necessary) to join us.

Tell us your experiences | Fill in our surveys | Join our meetings Spread the word | Join us as a Member

Visit our website: www.warwickshireparentcarervoice.org or email hello@warwickshireparentcarervoice.org for more information

WHAT DO PARENT CARER FORUMS DO?

We work with organisations that provide services for our families. We gather the views of local families and then work in partnership with local authorities, education settings, health providers and other providers to highlight where local services, processes and commissioners are working well, or challenge when changes or improvements need to be made.





GET INVOLVED - YOUR VOICE IS KEY TO OUR SUCCESS!

Visit our website: www.warwickshireparentcarervoice.org or email hello@warwickshireparentcarervoice.org for more information

Help to pay your household bills

Are you, or is anyone you know, struggling to pay energy bills?

If you or someone you know are struggling financially and unable to afford to pay their gas or electricity bill, please call the Local Welfare Scheme in confidence.

Call 0800 408 1448 between 4 and 22 April 2022.

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/localwelfarescheme



The Household
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can help
households in
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Warwickshire Local Welfare Scheme

The Warwickshire Local Welfare Scheme helps the most vulnerable residents at times of unavoidable crisis when they have no other means of help.

It also administers the Household Support Fund, which provides one-off financial support for people in need as the country continues its recovery from the pandemic. It can help families with children, other vulnerable households and individuals facing hardship this winter, to ensure that they have the support they need to afford food, energy, water bills and associated costs. To enquire or apply call the Local Welfare Scheme.

Visit: www.warwickshire.gov.uk/ localwelfarescheme Call: 0800 408 1448

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