

English Martyrs Catholic Primary School

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Updates on SATS and Phonic tests for parents in Year 1, Year 2 and Year 6



Parents In years 1, 2 and 6 are invited to attend a special meeting to help parents to gain a better understanding of the changes in the national tests this year and how children will be judged nationally on achieving the expected standard. This is the first year that tests in year 2 and year 6 will not be levels. In Year 6 the changes are significantly different to how children will be judged on their attainment in relation to the national picture, especially in writing.

Tuesday 19th April 2:45pm
Year 1 & 2 Phonic/SATS meeting

Tuesday 26th April 2:45pm
Year 6 SATS meeting

Year 1 Parent Phonic Workshop



Mrs Stawt will be leading a phonic workshop for year 1 parents on Monday 14th March at 9:00 am, to help parents support their children in their phonic development at home.

A Spring Craft Afternoon

March 15th 2:15-3:15pm

Reception parents are invited to the craft afternoon to work with the children on creating different springtime activities.



Dinner Money



£10.50 a week

Cheques made payable to Warwickshire County Council

Unfortunately there are a number of families who are persistently paying for dinner money late. May I remind parents that dinner money is to be paid on a Monday for the week ahead, or in advance at the start of the term. The school has no option but to not allow children to receive a school lunch if parents are not up to date with their payments.



Life-Changing Pilgrimage Holidays
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Rugby & Hinckley

During Lent the school is supporting HCPT with raising funds to take young people on a residential trip to Lourdes. Former pupils and families of English Martyrs School and parish have themselves benefited from this wonderful experience in the past. This year a Rugby group has been organised and we hope this will continue in subsequent years. The children on Friday 26th February will be bringing home a tube of smarties, which I am sure they will love to eat, and are asked to return it to school filled with 20p coins by Monday 7th March 2016. With the tubes is a leaflet explaining about HCPT and how the money raised will make a real difference for the young people concerned.

Pancake Race



Term Dates: 2016/2017

Autumn Term 2016	
Thursday 1 st September	Teacher Training Day-School closed to pupils
Friday 2 nd September	Teacher Training Day-School closed to pupils
Monday 5 th September	Start of Term - School Open
Friday 21 st October	Teacher Training Day-School closed to pupils
Monday 24 th - Friday 28 th October	Half Term
Friday 16 th December	End of Term-School closes for Christmas
Spring Term 2017	
Tuesday 3 rd January	Start of Term - School Open
Friday 17 th	Teacher Training Day-School closed to pupils
Monday 20 th -Friday 24 th February	Half Term
Friday 7 th April	End of Term
Summer Term 2017	
Monday 24 th April	Start of Term - School Open
Monday 1 st May	Bank Holiday - School Closed
Friday 26 th May	Teacher Training Day-School closed to pupils
Monday 29 th May - Friday 2 nd June	Half Term
Friday 21 st July	End of Term

Diary Dates

February

Half Term: 15th – 19th

- 22nd **(Monday) Teacher Training Day (school closed)**
- 23rd Beaumanor Hall Final Payment for year 5 due (£50)
- 24th 6:30pm Parent Meeting for the Y5 Residential Trip to Beaumanor Hall. All children who are attending the Residential Trip must have an adult representative at the meeting. Meeting is for adults only.
- 25th Lenten Dressing up day to raise money for charity: Theme - Onesie/Pyjamas day. £1 contribution.
- 25th Mass: Key Stage 1 (Y1, Y2 and Foundation Stage)
- 26th HCPT assembly-launching Lenten fundraising event

March

- 3rd Mass Y6 (Y5)
- 4th Egyptian Day
- 9th Year 2 Infant Agility School Games competition
- 9th Parent Consultations 3:45-7:00pm
- 10th Parent Consultations 3:45-7:00pm
- 10th Lenten dressing up day: Crazy Hair Day £1 contribution
- 10th Mass Y4 (Y3)
- 11th PTFA Quiz Night 7:30pm
- 13th Sunday Parish Mass Year 4 (11am)
- 14th Year 1 Parent Phonic Workshop 9:00am
- 15th Reception Parent Spring Craft Afternoon 2:15-3:15pm
- 16th CAFOD Frugal lunch at English Martyrs Church for year 6 to join the parish (£1)
- 17th Whole School Mass – led by Key Stage 1
- 18th 9:30am Easter Liturgy & presentations
- 18th Last day of term

Easter Holidays : 21st March- 1st April

April

- 4th Pupils return to school
- 4th Youth for Christ assembly
- 6th-8th Year 5 Residential trip to Beaumanor Hall (Leicestershire)
- 12th First Holy Communion Parent meeting (no children please)
- 15th PTFA Film Night – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
- 19th 2:45pm Y1 and Y2 Phonic/SATS meeting
- 24th Sunday Parish Mass led by Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2 class 11 am
- 26th 2:45pm Y6 SATS meeting for parents

May

- 2nd Bank Holiday
- 9th – 12th Year 6 External Testing Week (All Year 6 children must be in school)
- 16th Youth for Christ Assembly
- 17th First Holy Communion Parent Meeting 6:30pm
- 19th May Day Procession and Mass
- 25th Group Photographs
- 27th Teacher Training Day (school closed)



Half Term : 30th May- 3rd June

June

- 11th First Holy Communion 2pm
- 12th First Holy Communion children return to mass to be presented to the parish 11am
- 13th National Phonics screening week for Year 1 children and selected Year 2 children
- 21st Y5 St. John Ambulance First Aid Training

July

- 2nd Summer Fete 12pm-3pm
- 11th Youth for Christ assembly
- 12th Eastern Area: Year 6 Induction day for Secondary school
- 12th Moving up afternoon for children to visit new classes and teachers
- 12th Induction afternoon for new Reception Intake September 2016
- 13th Y1 and some Y2 Phonics Screening Week/Test
- 15th Summer PTFA Barn Dance/Summer Disco
- 22nd 1:30pm End of term assembly/presentations
- 22nd Last Day of Term

