



Newsletter

May

"May, more than any other month of the year, wants us to feel most alive."

Pity no one told the sun!

WELCOME!

Dear Families,

We hope you had a wonderful half-term break. I am sure you will agree that it is almost impossible to believe that we are starting the final half-term of the year, where has the time gone? Thank you for your continued support, as always this, and your commitment to EJS, does not go unnoticed on a daily basis and is truly appreciated by each and every one of us.

A huge well done to all Year 6 children who worked so hard to do their end of Key Stage assessments during recent weeks, they all applied themselves in the lead up to their tests and did their very best to put all their learning into practise! We could not have asked for more, they did us, and you, proud. Thanks must go to you, the parents and

carers during the week and throughout the year, you ensured that the children came to school well prepared and ready to do their best.

Thank you also goes to the staff team for all they did in the lead up to and during the tests, firstly to make sure the children were well prepared and secondly to make sure they stayed calm throughout.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you to the many events we have planned for the final term, please keep an eye on the calendar – **Friday 16th June, the Friends of EJS are hosting a summer fayre, which you are all invited to!**

Coronation Day

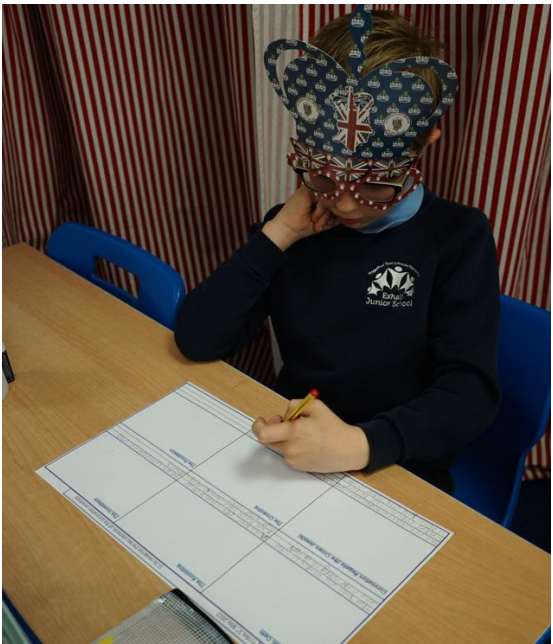
We had great fun celebrating the Coronation of King Charles. Students completed variety of activities in their class. From writing, art work and making coronation cake designs on biscuits, we all went a bit coronation crazy!

Once again, a big thank you to Sandra and Karen in the kitchen who supported us with a celebratory meal.



A huge thank you to one of our parents who kindly donated coronation themed plates, cups, bunting, and the children's favourite – the face mask!





Attendance

The current school attendance is 93.65%.

CLASS	Number in class	Avg. % attendance	+/- compared to school avg.
A	25	93.09%	- 0.56%
B	24	92.79%	-0.86%
C	25	93.93%	+0.28%
D	29	93.58%	-0.06%
E	29	95.52%	+1.87%
F	30	93.0%	-0.65%

Well done to Class E

Steve Gray – Football Freestyler Visit

As part of our celebrations of all things sporty, we were joined by professional freestyle footballer Steve Gray in school. What is freestyle football?

- ⚽ Freestyle football is the art of controlling the ball with all parts of the body
- ⚽ There are no goals.
- ⚽ Think break dance meets keepy uppies!
- ⚽ Performing tricks and combinations with a football. The possibilities are endless!



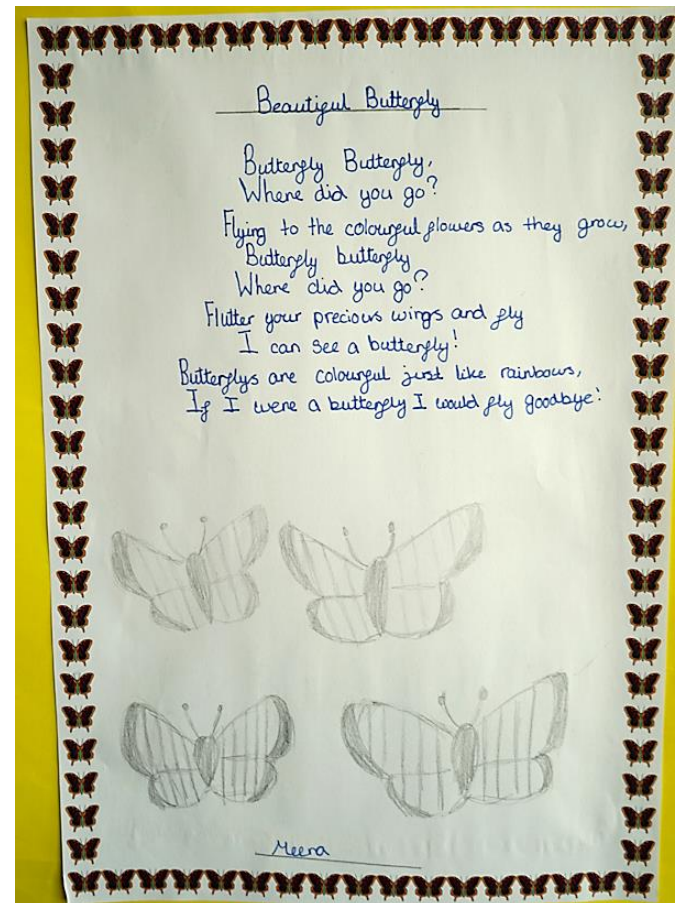
The whole school were part of an assembly and participated in class sessions with the twice times Guinness World Record Holder. They learnt many new tricks, which they are still working on! After school, many children also participated in a special, hour-long workshop with Steve.

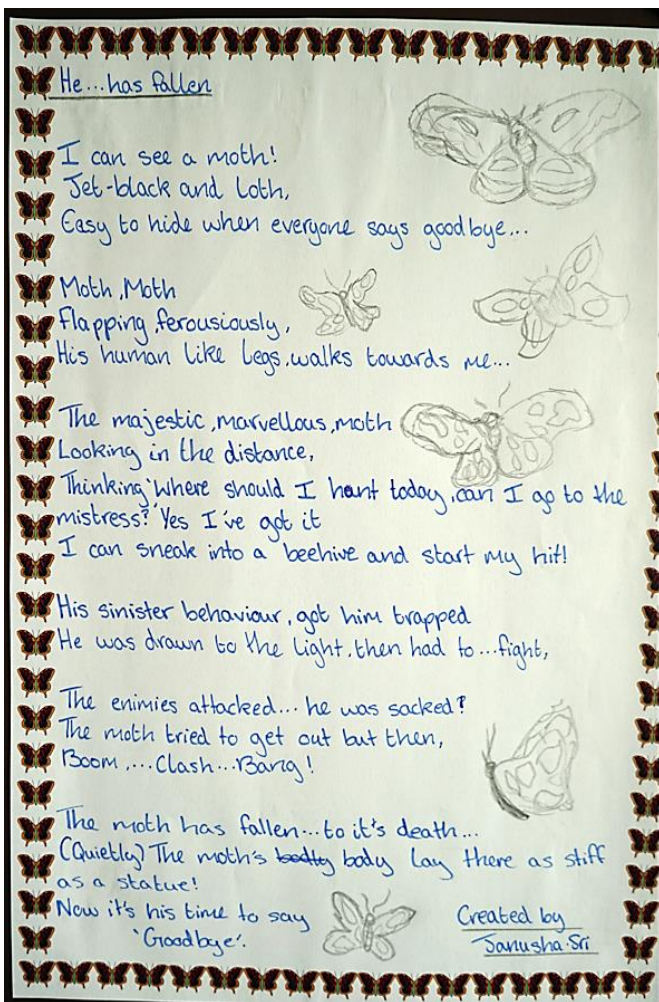


It was interesting to hear that Steve puts all his achievements down to one thing – the power of practice. He went on to say that if you want to get better at anything, practicing more is the key. If you want to be the best reader, mathematician, sports' person, artist ... it only comes to those who put in the time to practice!

Celebrating Writing

As well as leading on all the teaching and learning that goes on at EJS, staff somehow find the time to present your children's work in a range of ways around the school. Here's some amazing writing from Year 5 and 6.





Some parents can dread the moment when they're asked to help their children out with homework. It can make them feel a little apprehensive, especially in

subjects where they lack confidence. One of those subjects is maths.

Some people can feel a real sense of worry and confusion when dealing with anything involving number and figures – it's known as maths anxiety.

Here are some tips to help you remain positive when helping the kids with their maths homework.

Be positive about maths

Don't say things like 'I hate maths', instead, think 'I don't really know, but I'm going to get started'. Go on a journey to try to engage with what your child is doing. It's like exercise. Once you're past the getting off the couch stage, it's not half as bad as you think.

Point out everyday maths

You may think that maths isn't for you, but you could also be using number skills throughout the day without even realising it.

Planning a monthly budget, measuring ingredients for cooking, organising the day into blocks of time. All these involve figures and data of some description.

Involving your children in these can also help with their maths too.

Praise your child for effort, not correct answers

This is a piece of advice that goes beyond teaching maths. The importance of praising the effort that children put into

their number work, not just the results. If you're praising effort all the time, they want to impress you. The way they impress you is by trying hard.

Speaking to your child, and learning from their experiences in maths, is also encouraged. Working through a problem together, with an adult using a method they know, and your child using their own method, can be a good way of finding the route to a solution. If the grown-up ends up learning a new way of maths from their child, don't worry - it's a positive thing.

Bedworth's Brilliant Bun Day

Children from around Bedworth assembled in the grounds of the Nicholas Chamberlaine Almshouses to celebrate the life and legacy of the rector who died over 300 years ago, but whose influence and legacy still affect the town and the children in those schools.



For well over a century-and-a-half, children in the town have taken part in the special tribute to the former Rector of Bedworth whose legacy lives on.

At one time the schoolchildren were treated to a meal on Founder's Day, but as the numbers of pupils grew the practice was replaced in 1864 by 'Bun Day'. Technically, we are an Exhall not a Bedworth school, but the Nicholas Chamberlaine Trustees extended their generosity to other local schools- though we don't get the half day holiday. The curate from St Giles Church also lead our assembly in school in the afternoon.

We all enjoyed our toasted buns, despite some minor incident with the toasters tripping the fuse – thanks to all staff for being on the toasting/ buttering duties.

Thanks also to Mrs Randle who supervised the Head and Deputy students who went to the Almshouses for the service.



Supporting traditions, whether national or local is important and is a vital part of our Cultural Capital. They help form a foundation and remind us that we are part of a history that defined our past, shapes who we are today and who we want to become. They also provide memories, from our toasters tripping the electricity to watching a king being crowned, they give a sense of time and recollection.

50 Things to Do

50 Things To Do aims to provide inspiration for parents and carers to connect with children through a range of activities, all designed to have a positive impact on learning and health.

Presented and packaged through a mobile app means it is easy to get started and conveniently available whenever the moment arises for a new activity.

Just click on the [link](#)

Dudley Zoo Trip

Years Three and Four had a fantastic time at Dudley Zoo.

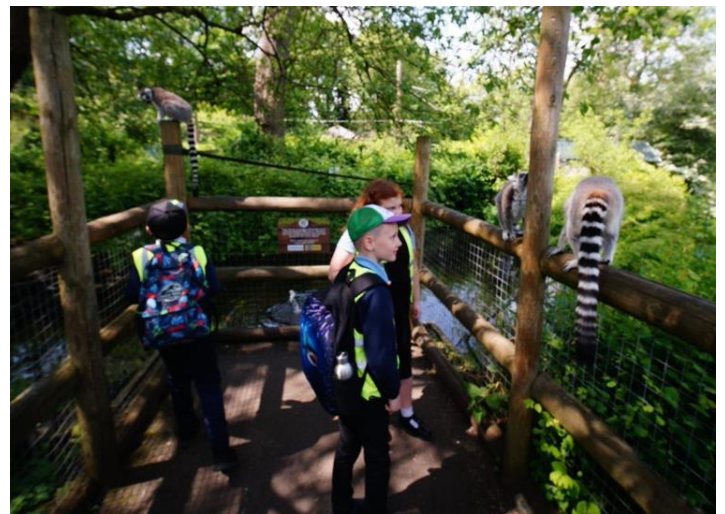
The weather was sunny and the children did a lot of walking, and most of it felt uphill!



Throughout the day the children saw a range of animals including lions, tigers, monkeys and sealions. The children also had a staff led presentation on how animals have adapted to live, and eat, in their environment.

Their favourite animals were the lemurs!

Once again, as on all our trips, the children's behaviour was amazing.



Sun Safe in School

Your child may bring a hat when outside, and wears sensible shoes i.e. no flip flops or similar. Your child must have a bottle of water, refilling of chilled water is available in school.

Please ensure that your child has the highest factor sun cream on when they come to school. If you wish your child to bring cream to school they must bring it clearly marked with their name and hand it to their class teacher who will look after it for them. **Staff will NOT be permitted to put the cream on your child.**



A group of Y4 and Y5 students are meeting every Tuesday lunchtime with Mrs. So to shadow the Carnegie Book Awards. They are exploring six illustrated books from the Carnegie shortlist.



Each week, the students will look at a different book from the shortlist. They will keep you updated with their favourites!

After the first meeting, students already had lots of ideas to discuss and debate.





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We provide free information to support families with children and young people aged 0 - 25 across Warwickshire on issues including:

- Childcare
- Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)
- Help with family finances
- One to one support
- Parenting support
- Support with bullying

All our information is available at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/fis



- measles outbreaks happen when not enough children have been vaccinated
- measles can be a very serious disease, leading to ear and chest infections, fits, diarrhoea, and damage to the brain. Measles can kill
- your child is at risk of measles if he or she hasn't had the MMR vaccination
- 2 doses of MMR vaccine are needed to get the best protection
- if your child is due to have had 2 doses of MMR but has not yet received them, no matter what age they are, you should contact your GP to get them vaccinated as soon as possible*
- if you can't remember if your child has had any, 1 or 2 doses of MMR vaccine, check his or her personal child health record (the Red Book). If this doesn't help, speak to your GP
- if you don't know how many doses your child has had, it's better to have 2 doses of MMR vaccine now rather than risk leaving them unprotected

Exhall Cedars Infant School



Exhall Cedars is a **small, nurturing Infant School**, in the **heart** of the Exhall community, serving Exhall, Bedworth, Hawkesbury Village, Brindley Edge and the Warwickshire/Coventry border.

Cedars provides an **excellent educational experience** for children aged 2-7 years.

Ofsted March 2020:

"Nurturing relationships exist between adults and children in the setting. Children get off to a good start." "Leaders have created a warm and welcoming environment for pupils and staff. Pupils like school and they feel safe."



Pre-school & Nursery

We provide sessional term time provision for 2-4yrs. We support 2Help and 3yr old NEF, including 30 hr provision for working parents.

Nursery 3-4yrs: am/pm or all day sessions

Pre-School 2-3yrs: Flexible to your needs.

Wraparound for 2-4yr olds is available, through school, at an additional cost

We accept Tax Free Childcare and Childcare Vouchers

A vegan meal is available on request for those who (veg) do not consume any animal products. All our fish is sourced within 100 miles and although great care has been taken to remove all bones, some may remain.

Week one

Warwickshire, Coventry and Oxfordshire: 13/3, 24/4, 15/5, 5/6, 26/6 and 17/7
Leicestershire: 13/3, 24/4, 15/5, 5/6, 26/6

MONDAY

Choose a main meal...
Bake of British Pork, Sausages with Gravy and Creamy Mashed Potatoes
(v) Veggie Korma Curry with Wholegrain or White Rice and creamy
Jackal Potato - (v) Cheese, Tuna or (v) Baked Beans

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(v) Swirly Chocolate Mousse
(vg) Homemade Fruity Flapjack
(v) Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

TUESDAY

Choose a main meal...
Homemade Cheesy Pasta with Peas, Bacon, and Freshly Baked Wholegrain Sausage
(v) Veggie Breakfast Patis in a Box with Oven Baked Potato Wedges
Jackal Potato - (v) Cheese, Tuna or (v) Baked Beans

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day
Baked Beans

For dessert...
(v) Homemade Crispy Cornflake Cookie
(v) Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

WEDNESDAY

Choose a main meal...
British Roast Chicken, Lentil or Filling Sage and Onion Stuffing and Gravy
(vg) Quorn Roast in Gravy with Sage and Onion Stuffing
Crispy Roast Potatoes
Jackal Potato - (v) Cheese, Tuna or (v) Baked Beans

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(v) Homemade Chocolate and Orange Brownie
(v) Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

THURSDAY

Choose a main meal...
Homemade British Beef Bolognese with Pasta and Garlic Bread
(v) Homemade Vegetable Burrito Bake with Crispy Diced Potatoes
Many Mexican flavoured veggie and cheese layered between soft tortillas
Jackal Potato - (v) Cheese, Tuna or (v) Baked Beans

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(vg) Homemade Strawberry Slice
(v) Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

FRIDAY

Choose a main meal...
(veg) Harry Ramsden's Chippy Salmon and Sweet Potato Fritter
(v) Homemade Cheese and Tomato Pizza
Chipped Potatoes
Jackal Potato - (v) Cheese, Tuna or (v) Baked Beans

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Peas or Baked Beans

For dessert...
(v) Cheddar Cheese, Crackers and Apple Wedges
(v) Ice Cream
(v) Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

WOLF COOKERS
A FOOD STORY

Weekly Menu

Week two

Warwickshire, Coventry and Oxfordshire: 20/3, 1/5, 22/5, 12/6, 3/7 and 24/7
Leicestershire: 20/3, 1/5, 22/5, 12/6, 3/7

MONDAY

Choose a main meal...
(vg) Quorn Chippies with Free Range Bacon and Sweet Chili Dipping Sauce or Ketchup
(v) Homemade Mac 'n' Cheese with Freshly Baked Wholegrain Baguette
Jackal Potato - (v) Cheese, Tuna or (v) Baked Beans

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
Chocolate Mousse with Fruit in Aloe
(vg) Homemade Cherry Cookie
(v) Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

TUESDAY

Choose a main meal...
British Chicken Fillet in Wrap, Salad, Mayonnaise or Ketchup and Cream Baked Potato Wedges
(vg) Plant Power Meatballs with Noodles and a Sweet and Sour Sauce
Jackal Potato - (v) Cheese, Tuna or (v) Baked Beans

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(vg) Homemade Chocolate Shortbread
(v) Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

WEDNESDAY

Choose a main meal...
British Roast Gannion Steak with Gravy
(vg) Quorn Roast with Gravy
Crispy Roast Potatoes
Jackal Potato - (v) Cheese, Tuna or (v) Baked Beans

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(vg) Homemade Jam Tart
(v) Ice Cream Tub
(v) Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

THURSDAY

Choose a main meal...
British Beef Gail Burger in a High Fibre Bun with Ketchup and Chippy Diced Potatoes
(vg) Veggie Burger in a High Fibre Bun with Ketchup and Chippy Diced Potatoes
Jackal Potato - (v) Cheese, Tuna or (v) Baked Beans

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(v) Homemade School Favourite Sponges
(v) Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

FRIDAY

Choose a main meal...
(veg) Golden Fries Breaded Fish Fillet with Chipped Potatoes
(v) Homemade Tomato Pasta Bake with Freshly Baked Wholegrain Baguette
Jackal Potato - (v) Cheese, Tuna or (v) Baked Beans

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Peas or Baked Beans

For dessert...
Jelly with Fruit
(v) Ice Cream
(v) Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

Week three

Warwickshire, Coventry and Oxfordshire: 27/3, 17/4, 8/5, 19/5 and 10/7
Leicestershire: 27/3, 17/4, 8/5, 19/5, 10/7

MONDAY

Choose a main meal...
Golden Fries British Pork Meatballs in a Rustic Tomato Sauce with Peas
(vg) Sticky Barbecue Quorn with Oven Baked Potato Wedges
Jackal Potato - (v) Cheese, Tuna or (v) Baked Beans

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(v) Homemade Chocolate Crackles
(v) Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

TUESDAY

Choose a main meal...
Chicken Korma Curry with Wholegrain or White Rice - **not veg**
(v) Cheese and Tomato Pizza
Wedges with Italian Herby Potatoes
Jackal Potato - (v) Cheese, Tuna or (v) Baked Beans

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(v) Swirly Strawberry Mousse
(vg) Homemade Orange Cookie
(v) Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

WEDNESDAY

Choose a main meal...
British Roast Beef, with Traditional Yorkshire Pudding and Gravy
(v) Veggie Tread in the Hole with Gravy
Crispy Roast Potatoes
Jackal Potato - (v) Cheese, Tuna or (v) Baked Beans

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(v) Homemade Fruit Crumble with Custard
(v) Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

THURSDAY

Choose a main meal...
Homemade British Chicken Pie with Gravy and Creamy Mash
(vg) Breaded Vegetable Fingers and Chippy Diced Potatoes
Jackal Potato - (v) Cheese, Tuna or (v) Baked Beans

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(vg) Homemade Flapjack with Fresh Fruit Wedges
(v) Ice Cream Tub
(v) Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

FRIDAY

Choose a main meal...
(veg) Breaded Fish Fillet Fingers with Chipped Potatoes
(vg) Veggie Sausage Hot Dog with Ketchup and Chipped Potatoes
Jackal Potato - (v) Cheese, Tuna or (v) Baked Beans

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Peas or Baked Beans

For dessert...
(v) Drinky Doughnuts/Chocolate Sauce
(v) Ice Cream Tub
(v) Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

Please contact your school cook for the information regarding the content of dishes and products for our menu.



(v) Vegan
(vg) Vegetarian Option (v) Homemade (veg) Certified Sustainable Seafood

Not Certified or Fully cooked from the Hydrogen Station, Items Served with a Fresh Bread are also offered daily

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**Where all
children
and young
people are:**



HEARD



SAFE



HEALTHY



SKILLED



HAPPY

**Everyone can play a part in making the
county a great place to grow up and learn.**

**Join us in creating a future we can all believe
in, be part of Child Friendly Warwickshire.**

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