



# Parent E-Bulletin

6 March 2020

Issue 4

Welcome to Esher Church of England High School Parent E-Bulletin. This is sent to all parents fortnightly and aims to keep you updated with upcoming events, reminders, offers etc taking place at the school as the term progresses. We hope you find the information useful.

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## 1. Term Dates

### Spring Term 2020:

Spring Term Monday 6 January – Friday 3 April, **3.00pm finish**

### Summer Term 2020:

Summer Term Monday 20 April – Friday 17 July, **12.20pm finish**

Half Term Monday 25 – Friday 29 May

### Autumn Term 2020

Autumn Term Wednesday 2 September – Friday 18 December

INSET DAY Tuesday 1 September

INSET DAYS Thursday 1 (Open Evening) and Friday 2 October

Half Term Monday 19 October – Friday 30 October

### Spring Term 2021

Spring Term Monday 4 January – Thursday 1 April

Half Term Monday 15 February – Friday 19 February

### Summer Term 2021

Summer Term Monday 19 April – Friday 16 July

Half Term Monday 31 May – Friday 4 June

All 2019/2020 term dates are available on the school website, under [Parents](#) - Term dates.

## 2. Looking ahead to Spring Term

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| Tuesday 10 March   | Year 9 DTP/Meningitis Injections<br>SATRO Problem Solving, Heathside School, Weybridge |
| Wednesday 11 March | Year 11 NCFE Health and Safety Exam  |
| Tuesday 24 March   | Year 9 DTP/Meningitis Injections<br>ISB Trip to the Houses of Parliament               |
| Wednesday 1 April  | Easter Church Services   |
| Thursday 2 April   | Year 10 Geography Trip to West Wittering   |
| Friday 3 April     | Year 10 Geography Trip to Stratford  |

### 3. Coronavirus (COVID-19)

We continue to follow the advice from Public Health England, which is updated daily and you will be informed immediately if the situation changes.

In the meantime, we continue to encourage our students to maintain good personal hygiene and ensure the school is thoroughly cleaned.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-action-plan>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/public-information-campaign-focuses-on-handwashing>

### 4. K3 Bus Service update

Thank you to those parents who completed the K3 bus survey in January. We have been in conversation with TFL and SCC to look at changing the morning pick up times for students travelling on the K3 buses.

SCC are currently in talks with TFL, RATP and London United and their proposal would be that instead of the current 0822 and 0837 arrivals at EHS, the schedule would be altered so they arrive at EHS at 0806 and 0822. Their aim is to get the schedules altered by May 2020, but will try to work for an earlier date.

We will keep you updated on this situation.

### 5. The RE Department

**WOW!!** We have had the most amazing response to our Rucksack Challenge, which finished on 28 February. Mr van Heyningen's classroom is now piled high with some amazing donations for this very worthwhile cause.

Thank you so much for all your generous contributions, which will be given to those who are in need as we continue with this wintry weather.



### 6. World Book Day

Esher staff and pupils got into the spirit of World Book Day yesterday with the goal of sharing stories for ten minutes or more. This involved pupils listening to teachers favourite books in the Hub during break and lunch; completing a quiz; listening to stories in tutor time and at the start of every K3 lesson; and not forgetting teachers dressed in their favourite book characters!

Year 8 pupil Taylor said, "I enjoyed finding out about new books."

"My year 7's loved the period 3 extract and several said they would like to read the book. They then wanted to come up and read extracts from their own books – or to tell the class about books they would read that they had enjoyed. This was not planned – they just WANTED to read...which was fabulous!" Mrs Wilsdon

"My form listened to one of the audio books for World Book Day and found it really interesting, discussing what might happen next. It was also a really calming start to the day for them. Great activity!" Mrs Sweeney, Year 8 Tutor.



## 7. Student Services

They currently have numerous water bottles, coats and other items of lost property. If your child is missing any items, please ask them to check at Student Services. All items will either go to charity or thrown away at the end of this term.



## 8. Twitter

All students returned from the half term trips in one piece (thankfully with no breakages!), having all had a great time on the slopes and at Disneyland. Some great photos are on Twitter, both the general one and the DT account, so please do take a look.

## 9. Reminders

You'll be pleased to know there are none!!