

## Summer Newsletter 2021



Dear Parent

The saying “time flies when you are having fun” is certainly the case this term. It is hard to believe we are putting ‘end of year’ plans in place. Please check the dates below for some of the organised events and fun activities. Things may be a little different than usual, but we want to mark the hard work of our pupils over the year...at home and in the classroom. It looks like June is going to be an action packed and busy month!

**Dates for your diary are as follows: -**

<b>Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<b>BANK HOLIDAY (SCHOOL CLOSED)</b>
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> June</b>	<b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY – PUPILS OFF</b>
<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Sollus Highland Dancing Workshops – Years 1-7</b>
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Sports Day for Nursery and Years 1-4 (Pupils only)</b>
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Sports Day for Years 5-7 (Pupils only)</b>
	(Pupils can wear their own clothes on Sports Day, suitable for the weather and appropriate for all the fast moving! Dinner routines will be as normal and home time will be the current staggered times)
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Sollus Highland Dancing Workshops – Years 1-7</b>
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Nursery Graduation Photograph (Lauren Coulter in School Hall)</b>
<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>	<b>Year 7 Castleberg High School Induction Talk</b>
	<b>Nursery Reports to parents</b>
<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Years 1-3 Jumping Clay Workshop</b>
	<b>Years 4-7 Circus Skills Workshop</b>
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Fitness Friday – Football with Steafan ‘One Goal’ - Years 1-6</b>
<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Year 7 Prize Giving (Pupils only – parents’ timetable details to follow)</b>
	<b>Movie Monday Years 1-7</b>
<b>Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Years 1-6 Virtual Prize Giving Assembly</b>
	<b>Tasty Tuesday Treats</b>
	<b>Year 7 Final Fun Day Bonanza (Pizza Picnic/Bouncy Castle/ Steafan ‘One Goal’)</b>
	<b>Nursery Fun Day</b>
	<b>Reports home to parents</b>
<b>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Final day of Summer Term 12 noon finish</b>
<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September</b>	<b>Autumn Term commences</b>

**Please check the School App for any updates during the weeks ahead.**

**After School Football class sessions will be taken by Edwards staff (weather permitting) on the following dates (until 4pm) Year 4 - May 27<sup>th</sup> / Year 5 - June 3<sup>rd</sup> / Year 6 - June 10<sup>th</sup> / Year 7 Mrs Donaghy - June 17<sup>th</sup> / Year 7 Mrs McKeown - June 24<sup>th</sup>. Any pupils attending please wear your PE kit on this day.**

To help cover the cost of some of the end of term celebration events we would appreciate if all pupils Years 1-7 could please send in **£5** to go towards payment for our tutors. (Jumping Clay/Circus Skills and ‘One Goal’)

Thanks to all parents who supported the Nursery Scoot and Kidz Play Toddle in recent weeks. New play resources will be purchased with the money raised. Thank you to Gareth Porter (IFA) for his help in delivering outdoor PE classes for Years 5 and 7 and Chris Wright who continues to tutor our budding brass musicians. Thanks also to Avril Loughlin for her interactive story sessions (Debutots) in Kidz Play and Nursery. We have also appreciated the support of our local ministers who throughout the school year have continued to provide recordings for our weekly virtual assemblies.

Take the opportunity to look at the bright and beautiful window display at the front entrance it celebrates our Love of Learning at Edwards and there is such a wide range of interests and creative talent on show! Well Done everyone. Thanks to Miss Jack for co-ordinating our display.





Walking around school there is much evidence of what has been a busy learning term covering a wide range of topic work and curriculum activities.

- Nursery pupils have some beautiful butterfly art work on show as they learn all about living things.
- Beans can be seen growing in Year 1 as part of their 'Jack and the Beanstalk' topic ...such green fingered gardeners!
- Musical instruments make sweet melodies in Year 2's 'Flash Bang Boom' topic.
- Year 3 are exploring 'All Creatures Great & Small'.
- In their 'School's Cool' topic Year 4 were investigating the history of our school.
- Year 5 have been on their travels to Egypt...and no passports required!
- Renewable energy resources have been explored by Year 6 – I love their great display of windmill models.
- Year 7 have been learning about the Titanic in their 'Life is a Journey' topic.

Such an apt topic title to finish off their years at Edwards for Year 7. For our thirty-two Year 7 leavers, on behalf of all the staff and Governors, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you every success for the future. We have enjoyed your journey with us, and we wish each one of you all the very best as you continue to travel forward with a love of learning and a zest for life in all you do!

On behalf of the school community may I wish you and your families a relaxed, happy and safe summer break. Thank you for all your dedication to education and support with school life throughout the 2020/21 academic year.

In appreciation and with kindest regards.

J. Douglas.

**J Douglas**  
Vice-Principal

