



# St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School

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Dear Parents and Carers

With only a week to go before the end of term, there are several important pieces of information I would like to bring to your attention. Next week each year group are having a Lenten Mass at St Oswald's Church to remember that this is the most important time of the year and that we can make a difference by caring for others and listening more attentively to the readings from Scripture over the Easter period.

Yesterday you should have received details of how to purchase tickets for the PTA 'Late Summer Ball'. I would urge you to support this event, as it will raise much-needed funds for our school hall refurbishment whilst at the same time you are sure to have a great night out!

You will remember I wrote to parents asking each family to contribute £10 towards the Archdiocesan School Building Levy in November, which we have benefitted from greatly over the last four years. Our ANNUAL school figure is £10,000 which we now must pay. We have noticed there has been a significant reduction in the contribution from families who did pay last year, can I remind parents this is an ANNUAL contribution. Unfortunately, the school has only received £3,435, which represents contributions from 318 families out of the 1,000 we have in school - many thanks to those families who have paid. Could I politely remind the remaining families to make their contributions as soon as possible please?

Traffic congestion along Rookery Avenue continues to be a problem. Earlier in the year the situation improved considerably but unfortunately the situation is deteriorating, so much so, that I am now very concerned for the safety of our pupils. As stated previously on many occasions, it should be considered a courtesy and a safety measure to the parents of pupils and particularly the pupils themselves who walk to school and use this entrance, please do not drive down Rookery Avenue. Our designated drop-off point is at St Oswald's Church car park on St Oswald's Avenue; it is only a couple of minutes walk from there. Alternatively, pupils can be dropped off on Warrington Road, where they can use the crossing at Robinsons if necessary; it is also less than two minutes walk from there. **Please help us to keep your child and all children in the school safe by not driving down Rookery Avenue and/or using the school car park between 8.05-8.35am and 2.45-3.15pm.**

Term will end on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April at 3.05 p.m. School will re-open for pupils on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2019. On behalf of the staff, pupils and governors of the school I wish you all a wonderful Easter.

Yours faithfully

Mr M J Dumican  
Headteacher

