

ST EDMUND'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

Monday 10th December 2018

GOOD WORK AND GOOD BEHAVIOUR

FRIDAY 23 RD NOVEMBER		WRITER OF THE WEEK
Y6	Louis, Josie	Grace
Y4/5	Noah, Lily, Leiam	Shayla-Mae
Y3/4	Kayden, William, Layan	Joshua
Y2/1	Gracie, Molly, Isak	Lucas
EYFS	Jake, Lili, Lexi	Njay

FRIDAY 30 TH NOVEMBER		WRITER OF THE WEEK
Y6	Olivia S, Lucas	Charlie
Y4/5	Leah, Lilyrose, Malik	Maisie
Y3/4	Savannah, Ryan, Shay	Abiah
Y2/1	Kai, Adin, Khaidyn	Gracie
EYFS	Mason, Alek, Michael	Maycie

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

FRIDAY 23 RD NOVEMBER		
Y6	97.5%	1 Late
Y4/5	95.7%	8 Lates
Y3/4	94.1%	12 Lates
Y2/1	96.8%	11 Lates
EYFS	90.0%	5 Lates

FRIDAY 30 TH NOVEMBER		
Y6	98.1%	2 Lates
Y4/5	95.2%	9 Lates
Y3/4	94.3%	8 Lates
Y2/1	95.7%	13 Lates
EYFS	85.0%	3 Lates

As you can see the number of children coming late has begun to creep up again. Twice last week we had 15 children arriving at the office because they were late for school. Even a few

minutes late causes a disruption to your child's learning and to the rest of the class. Please do everything you can to make sure that your child arrives to school on time in the morning. We still have some places available in our breakfast club which could help some children to make sure they are here on time.

ADMISSION POLICY FOR 2020

Schools across the Archdiocese are consulting on proposed changes to admissions policies to take effect for school admissions for September 2020. They will only affect new applications for Reception and Year 7 places (from September 2020 onwards) and children in other year groups and who have already obtained a place at a school will not experience any changes.

The proposed change is to add in a sentence about children who have been adopted from state care in other countries.

You can find further information about the proposed changes by following the internet link <http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/schools/Admissions-Consultations>

This consultation period will run between 3rd December 2018 and 25th January 2019 and you are invited to submit comments in writing about the proposal above to: The Archdiocese of Liverpool, Education Department, LACE, Croxteth Drive, Sefton Park, L17 1AA.

Alternatively you may wish to e-mail: aes@rcaol.co.uk.

Comments should also be sent to the Chair of the Governing Body at the school address.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Thank you to all our families who came to support our Christmas Fair. We had a fantastic evening and even Father Christmas popped in to see the children.

Thank you to those who donated prizes for the raffle or items for the bric-a-brac or tombolas. A big thank you once again to the staff and volunteers who gave up their time to set up and to run the stalls. **Mrs Wylie is busy counting the money but we have made over £500 thanks to everybody's support.**

PANTO

Because of the generosity of Procter and Gamble last year, we are able to take the whole school to the pantomime at the Southport Theatre on **Wednesday 19th December 2018**.

The performance of Beauty and the Beast begins at 10am and will include a short interval half way through. During the interval, all the children will be given an ice cream. We would expect the show to finish about 12.45pm and we will head back to school for a late lunch. **There will be no charge to parents for this visit but you must return the permission slip.**

No slip – No trip!

TALENT SHOW

On Thursday 20th December we will have our Christmas Talent Show. The children are busy practising their singing, dancing, jokes and other talents and will get a chance to perform on the stage.

The show will start at 9.30am and usually lasts between 1½ and 2 hours.

Because of the Talent show and the Christmas parties, Thursday 20th will be a non-uniform day. The children don't need to bring in any money but can wear their talent show clothes or their Christmas Party clothes.

Please help your children to consider the weather when they are choosing their clothes – party dresses and high heeled sandals won't keep them warm and dry at playtime!

STAY SAFE ONLINE

As many children and young people may receive gifts such as Smartphones, Tablets and Gaming Consoles over the festive period, the Lancashire Safeguarding Board have produced some useful tips to consider that can help our children stay safe online.

The LSCB's 'Useful Tips for Parents and Carers' can be found at the top of the Parents and Carers section of the LSCB Online Safety website and also contains a variety of really useful information:

<http://www.lancshiresafeguarding.org.uk/online-safeguarding/parents-and-carers.aspx>

There is also a link from the 'Online Safety' page of our school website.

COLLECTION ARRANGEMENTS

We are lucky that in our small school the teachers know the children and their families very well. Sometimes, though, someone that we don't recognise comes to collect a child. **Please can you tell the class teacher in the morning or ring Mrs Wylie in the office if there is someone 'unexpected' picking up your child at home time.** Please can you also let us know if your child is going home with another family straight from school. Sometimes the children come up with these arrangements and the parents know nothing about it. If we have not been told, it wastes everyone's time having to contact parents at the end of the day.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Here are a few of the upcoming events at our school:

Infant Nativity dress rehearsal 2.00pm	Mon 10/12/18
Infant Nativity 6.30pm	Tues 11/12/18
EYFS Nativity 10.00am	Thurs 13/12/18
Gold Card Club 1.30pm	Thurs 13/12/18
Breakfast with Santa	Fri 14/12/18
Nursery Children Finish for Christmas	Fri 14/12/18
Year 1 Hearing Tests	Fri 14/12/18
EYFS Santa's Workshop	Mon 17/12/18
KS1 Pudding Lane Day	Mon 17/12/18
Christmas dinner day	Tues 18/12/18
Staff and Governor Reflection 3.30pm	Tues 18/12/18
Whole School to Panto in Southport	Weds 19/12/18
Non-uniform day Talent Show 9.30am Christmas parties 1.30pm	Thurs 20/12/18
Finish for Christmas 1.30pm	Fri 21/12/18
Back to school 8.50am	Mon 07/01/19

Thank you for your support,
Dermot Hennigan
Headteacher

10/12/18

