

ST EDMUND'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

Monday 11th February 2019

GOOD WORK AND GOOD BEHAVIOUR

| FRIDAY 1 ST FEBRUARY | | WRITER OF THE WEEK |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Y6 | Lucas, Anesha | Callum |
| Y4/5 | Niall, Chloe L, Ellie | Abiah |
| Y3/4 | Savannah, Olivia, Grace | Natalie |
| Y2/1 | Freya, Gracie, Blake | Jenna |
| EYFS | Maycie, Alek, Mason | Poppy |

| FRIDAY 8 TH FEBRUARY | | WRITER OF THE WEEK |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Y6 | Molly, Olivia D | Sadie |
| Y4/5 | Lily, Aimee, Noah | Lucy |
| Y3/4 | Lucy, Lee, Adam R | Layan |
| Y2/1 | Evie, Maya, Oliver | Chloe |
| EYFS | Michael, Njay, Lili | Jake |

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

| FRIDAY 1 ST FEBRUARY | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---------|
| Y6 | 99.2% | 0 Lates |
| Y4/5 | 91.7% | 3 Lates |
| Y3/4 | 95.2% | 6 Lates |
| Y2/1 | 87.9% | 5 Lates |
| EYFS | 97.9% | 2 Lates |

| FRIDAY 8 TH FEBRUARY | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|---------|
| Y6 | 92.5% | 1 Late |
| Y4/5 | 100% | 6 Lates |
| Y3/4 | 98.6% | 6 Lates |
| Y2/1 | 97.1% | 9 Lates |
| EYFS | 93.3% | 0 Lates |

Well done to Mrs Williams' Class for 100% attendance last week. Congratulation also to Miss Vause's class for a huge improvement in their attendance,

PUNCTUALITY

It is good to see that the number of children coming to school late has decreased in the last couple of weeks. However, there are still a few children every day that miss the start of school and come in a few minutes late.

If you aim to get to school for 8.50am, even if you are a few minutes late the doors will still be open and your children will be able to settle easily to their work. Even a few minutes late causes a big disruption to your child and to the rest of their class.

ATTENDANCE

Last week our average attendance was over 96% for the first time in ages. I hope that this means we are over the Winter bugs and things and that now we can see all the children in school for most days.

Let's try hard to keep our attendance over 96% throughout the rest of the year.

Mrs Stringman had a 'Hotspot Day' today and may still save one for later in the week or even when we are back after half term. Your child could win a prize just for being in school on time. Make sure that your child is in on time every day as who knows when the 'Hotspot Days' will be!

PICKING UP YOUR CHILDREN

There have been a few times recently when we have needed to get in touch with parents but none of the numbers we have in school were answered. **Please make sure that we have the correct phone numbers and please make sure that someone on the list of contacts is contactable.**

The Governors have asked that I remind you about the school policy that dogs are not to be brought onto the school site. Please consider other children by leaving your dog at home for the few minutes it takes to pick up your children or securing your pet away from the school gates.

Can I also remind you to ask older brothers and sisters to get off their bikes and push them as soon as they come through the gates.

SEESAW

This year classes throughout our school are using a fantastic App called **SeeSaw**, in which students can build online digital portfolios to share their learning in a safe and engaging way. We sent home letters explaining the App in September and most of our families have signed up.

There are still a few parents who are not yet using the App.

If you need another permission letter or another QR code, please see your child's class teacher.

The families that are using it find it a great way to stay up-to-date with reminders for upcoming events and special days.

PARENTS EVENING

Our mid-year Parents' Evening will be on Wednesday 27th February which is the first week back after half term.

Please try to keep that evening free so that the teachers can share with you how well your children are doing. Hopefully you will have returned your slip last week indicating your preferred time and Mrs Stringman is busy trying to allocate the time slots as close to the time you requested as possible. There are a few slips that have not yet been returned and we will let you know your time as soon as we are back after half term.

FEBRUARY HOLIDAY CLUB

SHARES are running their half term holiday club from Monday 18th February to Friday 22nd February at Woodlands Community Primary School. If you wish to book a place for your child contact Emma on 01695 729897 or go to <https://shareslancashire.co.uk/community/holiday-clubs/>

It costs £11 per day or £50 for the whole week.

CLASS AND TEAM PHOTOGRAPHS

On Monday 4th March our school photographers will be in to take pictures of the school teams and of each class. Most years we don't sell very many of these photographs so we have asked the photographer about going back to the more 'traditional' photographs to see if they are more popular.

SPIRIT OF ROMERO DAY

On Monday 25th March we will be celebrating the life of Saint Oscar Romero. Oscar Romero taught us that we must think about others and reach out to help other people.

All our parents are invited in to join with us for our closing liturgy on the day at 2.30pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On Monday 1st April, Year 4/5 will lead us in our Stations of the Cross reflection. Everyone is welcome to join us in the hall at 2.30pm to reflect on Jesus' journey on his last day before he was crucified.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Here are a few of the important events for the next few weeks:

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| Spring Term Gold Card Club | Thurs 14/02/19 |
| Children Finish for half term 3.15pm | Thurs 14/02/19 |
| SHARES INSET Day | Fri 15/02/19 |
| Back to School | Mon 25/02/19 |
| Y3/4 Dodgeball Competition | Tues 26/02/19 |
| Mid-year Parent Consultation Evening 3.30 – 6.30pm | Wed 27/02/19 |
| Chess match against St Thomas the Martyr | Fri 01/03/19 |
| Class and Team photos | Mon 04/03/19 |
| Ash Wednesday Service | Wed 06/03/19 |
| World Book Day Celebration Dressing up and Story Telling | Fri 08/03/19 |
| Science Day | Tues 12/03/19 |
| Comic Relief Non-Uniform | Fri 15/03/19 |
| School Mass 9.30am (Lent) | Tues 19/03/19 |
| Spirit of Romero Day | Mon 25/03/19 |
| Stations of the Cross Reflection 2.30pm led by Y4/5 | Mon 01/04/19 |
| Finish for Easter Holiday 1.30pm | Fri 05/04/19 |

Thank you for your support,
Dermot Hennigan
Headteacher

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