



# St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 10th December 2021

## This Weeks Spotlight!

### Year One & Two

Wow, what a week we have had! The children have been so busy preparing and performing their nativity to all our school family. We enjoyed welcoming our parents and grandparents into school on Thursday and letting them see how hard each child has worked learning their lines, 10 songs and when to enter and exit the stage. They have been absolutely amazing, so professional, supportive and caring towards each other, I could not be prouder of them all. In English, we have been answering some questions and spotting nouns and adjectives from our book 'The Jolly Christmas Postman'. In Maths, Year 1 have been subtracting numbers and finding differences, whilst Year 2 have been adding 2-digit numbers together. In RE, we have been continuing to learn about Advent and how we prepare for Christmas. We even managed to squeeze in some Art on Wednesday, when the children began designing their Christmas cards.

Well done Year 1&2 – You are all Superstars!





## Classroom News!

### FSU

What a busy week we have had in the FSU! We have had a busy week rehearsing and then performing our Nativity. We were so proud of the children's amazing performance. The children have also been learning about the Christmas story and retelling it in their own words.

### Year Three & Four

This week in Year 3/4 we've been practicing for our Carol Concert. We've learnt 7 totally new songs. Some of them have actions and others we had to sing in around (that can be quite tricky). On Wednesday, we performed our concert for everyone. It was very nerve-racking performing in front of a live audience, but we all did it. It was so much fun, and we all sang our hearts out! Some of us are even performing live again on Friday night!

### Year Five & Six

This week we have started writing our newspaper reports by using facts, opinions and formal language. In Maths, we have learned how to calculate perimeter of 2D shapes. We have had so much fun singing our Christmas songs and hope you enjoyed our performance.

**This weeks winning house team is:**

**Anderson**

**Well done!**

## Classroom Rewards

Each week children are encouraged to complete their work to a high standard (St. Edmund's Standard). Children who have tried their best to try and reach this standard will be awarded the 'St. Edmund's Standard Award'. Children are also encouraged to follow the school mission statement and show 'Care, Consideration and Courtesy' towards each other, children who show acts of kindness which follow the mission statement will be awarded the 'Care, Consideration and Courtesy Award'.

### St. Edmund's Standard Award

FSU Class  
Adin Kamran  
Lylah Campbell  
Kayden Lewin

### Care, Consideration and Courtesy Award

Kyla Fury  
Minnie Brown  
Njay McLoughlin  
Chloe Galligan

### Attendance Award

**This weeks winners are: Year 5&6**

The winning class receives an extra playtime.

Last week's overall attendance: 93.18%

This week's overall attendance: 93.13%

**Reminder: Just a little below 95%, don't forget it is the raffle next week.**

FSU	85.7%
Year One & Two	94.2%
Year Three & Four	96.1%
Year Five & Six	96.5%

### Announcement: Family Attendance Draw

At the end of each term, we are going to have an **attendance draw**. For every full week a child is in school they will receive a ticket which will be entered into the end of term attendance draw. Therefore the more full weeks your child is in school the greater chance you have at winning the draw. The prize will be a £25 voucher for Asda.



Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you very much for following our rules when coming to the Christmas performances, it was very much appreciated. It was lovely to see you all there and I hope you enjoyed watching the children. I do feel the children worked really hard to put their performances on and certainly made us all proud. Just another reason why we all love working at St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School. The videos have been filmed, we are just in the process of editing the movies, they will be ready for next week.

We will be sending letters home next week concerning your child's attendance. You will receive a letter which is either gold, green, yellow or red depending on your child's attendance percentage. The following criteria has been applied:

<b>GOLD</b>	Indicates 100% attendance which is fantastic! Keep it up!
<b>GREEN</b>	This indicates your child's attendance is 95% or above, which is excellent and gives your child the best chance of success in school.
<b>AMBER</b>	Indicates attendance between 90% and 95%, which in some cases can cause concern as your child may not be getting the most out of school and their progress could be affected.
<b>RED</b>	Indicates attendance 90% and below which in some cases can be a serious cause for concern and your child's education can be seriously affected. You may be requested to attend an Initial Concern Meeting, with Mrs. Birmingham and Mrs. Stringman, to improve the situation. If however, it does not improve, <b>some</b> cases could lead to Fixed Penalty Notices being issued.

Absences related to COVID are not taken into consideration in the final percentage as this would be considered to be unfair. Attendance at school is very important, it ensures that your child does not miss any learning.

Next week is our last week in school, we finish on Friday at 3.15 pm. School will resume 4th January 2022.

I hope you have a lovely weekend

Mrs Birmingham



# Christmas Events



KS2 Christmas Party—13th December pm

EYFS/KS1 Christmas Party—14th December pm

**Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day—14th December**

**On Monday, KS2 children will be having their Christmas party. They are encouraged to wear their own clothes.**

**On Tuesday, it is Christmas Jumper Day, all children and staff are encouraged to wear a Christmas Jumper. We also encourage all children to bring in £1 to donate to the 'Save the Children Fund'.**

**On Christmas Jumper Day, all children will receive a free Christmas Dinner.**

**Friends of the Tawd and Skem First  
Christmas Light Event  
Friday 10th December 2021 4 pm—8 pm**



# FREE ACTIVITIES AND HOLIDAY CAMPS

18th - 30th December

Dance, Boxing, Football, Cinema trips, pantomime and much more...

## West Lancs HAF is back!!

We are delighted to be able to offer eligible children **FREE** places at a variety of holiday camps and events this Christmas. Places are currently only available to eligible children in receipt of free school meals and will be allocated on a first come first served basis, so we would encourage you to sign up for these places as soon as possible.

All activities will include a **FREE MEAL** as part of the offer.

You can access, sports, drama, dance, arts and crafts, soccer coaching, gymnastics, tennis and much, much more! So don't miss out and book your place now!!

To see what is on offer, please visit the West Lancs HAF website at [www.westlancashirehaf.com](http://www.westlancashirehaf.com) through which you can book your child's place.



Bookings close on the 12th December



## FREE Food Parcels

If your child is in receipt of benefits related free school meals then you are eligible to order a **FREE** food parcel. Limited number available. To find out more and to order your food parcel please visit [www.westlancashirehaf.com/food-parcel/](http://www.westlancashirehaf.com/food-parcel/)



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