



St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 10th March 2023

This Weeks Spotlight!

Year Five & Six

We have had a very packed week in Year 5/6. We have been completing our Spring assessments, as well as a lot of learning. This week we have explored 6-digit grid references and compass points in Geography. In RE, we have been discussing the Eucharist and looking at what it means to sacrifice something for the greater good.

In English, we have edited and improved our story from another culture, and they are fab! The children have really worked hard on these and have been praised for their efforts. We have finally come to the end of all our hard work with fractions and they are all really confident with add, subtracting, multiplying and dividing fractions.

In Science, we have begun our animals including humans unit, the children began looking at the human life cycle. We have also been rocking out to the 'School of Rock' in dance. The children have loved it and they have created wonderful routines.



REMINDER - SAT Booster Club - is available to all Year 6 students up until SAT week. Tuesday, 3-15pm - 4.15pm: Mathematics. Thursday, 3-15pm - 4.15pm: Grammar and punctuation. The sessions are extremely useful to all of Year 6.

Classroom News!

EYFS

This week in EYFS we have started to look at our new book *The Scarecrows Wedding*. We have made our own scarecrows from wooden spoons and lollipop sticks. In the construction area we have been building models and writing labels for them. In phonics this week we have been working really hard on writing tricky words and identifying the digraphs in words.

Year One & Two

Year 1&2 have had a busy week! We have been writing some brilliant descriptions in our English lessons based around the traditional story 'Hansel and Gretel'. In Maths, we have been doing some tricky subtractions, exchanging 10's and working with 2-digits. In Geography, we learnt more about the equator and the Northern and Southern hemispheres. On Wednesday, we had a very successful cake sale. The children enjoyed setting up their stalls and selling cakes to the rest of the school. Thank you to everyone for their kind donations helping us to raise money to send books to Africa. Well done Year 1&2!

Year Three & Four

This week in Year 3/4, we have been learning about different types of rocks and how they each come with different properties. We've been testing the rocks' texture, buoyancy and solubility. We had lots of fun experimenting with the rocks and water. In DT, we have begun to design our own volcanoes - in the next few weeks we will start building them! While in Maths, we have been exploring the perimeter of different shapes. In our English, we have been generating eye witness quotes for our newspaper article. We took turns hot seating each other and then recorded the key quotes from our interviews. It's been a brilliant week, well done Team!



**This week's house point winner is:
Nightingale
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

Brian Lach

Esma McLoughlin

Kyla Fury

Zak Tergaonkar

Care, Consideration and Courtesy Award

Hayley Mawson

Edward Monaghan

Evie Jordan

Bobby Berry

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are: Year One & Two

The winning class receives an extra playtime.

Last week's overall attendance: 89.3%

This week's overall attendance: 93.5%

This week 64 have had 100% attendance. Their names will be in the draw at the end of the term. Well done children.

25 pupils achieved 100% attendance in the first part of the Spring Term.

FSU	92.5%
Year One & Two	95.5%
Year Three & Four	95.2%
Year Five & Six	90.8%

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

We have had a fabulous week in school, the children have had lots of fun learning new things.

The cake sale was very successful with all children bringing in 50p and enjoying a cake. Next week, because of the strike the cake sale will be on Tuesday instead. We will send an reminder on Monday. It will be the turn of Year Three and Four to bring in the cakes and the rest of the school to bring in 50p.

The strike days next day will take place on Wednesday and Thursday, Year One/Two and Year Five/Six will be closed. The children in EYFS, Year Three and Four will be expected to be in. I do hope that this can be resolved soon.

Please make sure you read about the up and coming events for Easter. We hope to finish this terms with a lovely end of term celebration.

I hope you have a lovely weekend

Mrs Birmingham

Easter Cake Sale

Each class will take turns in bringing cakes into school. The rest of the children will be encouraged to bring in 50 pence so they can buy a cake. The monies raised will help to send education books to Africa.

15.3.23 Year Three & Four

22.3.23 Year Five & Six

29.3.23 EYFS

We will announce on Monday how much Year One and Two have raised.



Easter Celebrations



Date	Event	Who
Wednesday 22nd March 2023	Easter Dinner	Children
Wednesday 29th March 2023 2.00 pm	Year Three and Four Easter Play	Parents
Thursday 30th March 2023	Easter Bonnet Competition	EYFS/KS1
	Easter Egg Decorating Competition	KS2
Friday 31st March 2023	Celebration Assembly— Attendance/ Raffle Draw//House Points	Children
	Reward Afternoon—Lunch at ei- ther MacDonalds, KFC or Domi- noes	Two children from each class who have behaved above and be- yond in class will be chosen.

Easter Bonnet Competition for EYFS/KS1

The children in EYFS and KS1 will be encouraged to decorate an Easter Bonnet at home and bring it into school. The children will take part in an Easter Bonnet parade and a winner from each year group will be chosen. The winners will receive an Easter Egg.

Easter Egg Decorating Competition for KS2

The children in KS2 will be encouraged to decorate a hard boiled egg at home and bring it into school. The children will present their egg and a winner from each year group will be chosen. The winners will receive an Easter Egg.

Easter Raffle

Tickets will be available shortly for our Easter Raffle. Children will be able to buy a strip for £1 and if they win they will be able to select an Easter Egg. Proceeds will go towards our trip fund.

Cake Sale

The children will take part in a weekly cake sale. One class will bring in some cakes, which will be sold to the other children.

All proceeds will be given to Books2Africa, so that we can send our unwanted education books to help children in Africa learn to read and write.



Our Reading Celebration Wall 2022/23

Gold Award (21/30 books)

Anaya Kai

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Bronze Award— (7/10 books)

**Michael David B Henry David F Ria Zak Matthew Katerina
Ksenia Penelope Zain Aron **Maycie Miller-Keegan****

St. Edmund's Reading Awards

The children are encouraged to read their books at home. This will help the children to learn through repeated practice. Those children who read at home will be rewarded with the following rewards:

Bronze Award—Certificate

Silver Award —Book Mark and Sweet Treat

Gold Award —Reading Book

As children achieve the reward they will be added to the reading wall in red.

