



St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 11th September 2026

This Weeks Spotlight!

Year One & Two

This week, Year 1 and 2 returned back to school after a busy summer holidays. Mr Hallam has been so impressed with how the class have returned to school and embraced their new classroom and friends!

We have been very busy, getting stuck into many new lessons.

In History, we began our exciting new topic, The Great Fire of London. The children have shown great enthusiasm as they learned about this important event, asking thoughtful questions about what life was like in London in 1666.

In Maths, we have been exploring place value, using practical resources and engaging activities to develop the children's understanding of numbers and build their confidence.

In English, we have been learning about poetry, enjoying a range of poems and beginning to experiment with our own creative writing.

We have also started Forest School, which has been a huge success so far. The children have loved the opportunity to learn outdoors, develop their teamwork skills and explore the natural environment. It has been wonderful to see their excitement, curiosity and enthusiasm across all areas of learning, and I am very proud of how well they have embraced each new challenge.



Classroom News!

EYFS

Welcome back! The children have had a wonderful first couple of weeks back in the classroom. We have been exploring our areas and learning how to share our toys and resources. In class we have also been working on our routines; how to sit on the carpet, how to be a fantastic listener, how to tidy the classroom and beginning to line up in our legendary line. The children have also enjoyed sharing books with other children and staff and sharing nursery rhymes. In the mornings Reception have been doing rhyme time and activities to get us ready for starting our phonic sessions next week. Also, we have been looking at the creation story and how all things that God created in those seven days were good. The children have been ordering the story and creating different scenes.

Well Done EYFS!

Year Three & Four

It has been so lovely to welcome our Year 4s back and to meet all of our new Year 3s! We have been busy settling into our new routines and getting to know each other. There are lots of new things for our Year 3s to take in, but they are doing a fantastic job and are already becoming familiar with the routines of our class. We have also jumped straight into our learning! In English, we have started our new unit based on Paddington Bear, which is great fun. In Maths, we have been developing our understanding of Thousands, Hundreds, Tens and Ones and practising how numbers can be partitioned. We have also begun refreshing our 5 times table to get those multiplication brains working again! It has been a really positive start to the year, with lots of smiles and learning along the way. We are settling in beautifully.

Year Five & Six

Welcome back to a new and exciting school year! We have had a fantastic start in Year 5/6 and the children have settled in brilliantly. This week, we have started our new English text, *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. The children have been exploring the story and discussing new and interesting vocabulary. We have been learning the meanings of unfamiliar words and thinking carefully about how we can use them in our own writing.

In Maths, our focus has been on place value. We have been exploring the value of digits within larger numbers and developing our understanding of how numbers are represented. In PE, we have been developing our football skills. The children have been practising their passing, dribbling, control and teamwork while enjoying being active. It has been a wonderful start to the year, and we are looking forward to all the learning and adventures still to come!



This week's house point winners are:

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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 they are 'Growing together in God's Family'.

St. Edmund's Standard Award

Clayton

David

George

Jeremiah

Growing Together in God's Family

Penelope

Mmamma

Max L

Chiamaka

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are: Year One/Two & Year Five & Six

The winning class receives an extra playtime.

Last week's overall attendance: NA

This week's overall attendance: 93.8%

xx children have achieved 100% attendance this week.

This week's attendance

FSU	90%
Year One & Two	96.4%
Year Three & Four	90%
Year Five & Six	96.4%

Well done

Miracle

For winning our weekly attendance award. You have won a £5 voucher.

Attendance Rewards

Attendance Draw—If your child has been in school every day and on time during the week, their name will be entered into a weekly attendance draw and they could win a £5 voucher for Asda.

Class Reward—The classes with attendance over 92% each week, will gain a golden ticket and if they are the first two classes to collect five pizza slices, will receive a pizza party experience for the class.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had an excellent week in school. Our children are now in the swing of learning and improving their learning.

A group of children attended a special service at St. Mary's church in Leyland which was being celebrated by the Pope's representative. Please see below.

We have a busy week next week, some of our Y5/6 children will be taking part in a football tournament and some Y3/4 will be attending a SHARES reading event at West Lancs College. Please look out for the letters.

We will also be having our yearly coffee morning—please see the date on this news letter.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham

Special Occasion

On Thursday a group of children went to celebrate mass with lots of other schools and the Apostolic Nuncio Miguel Maury Buendia – the representative of the Pope. The children representing our school behaved well and certainly made me very proud. Well done children.



MacMillan Coffee Morning

Tuesday 22nd September 2026

We will be joining together as a school community to raise money for the charity MacMillan. Children will be encouraged to bring in cakes which will be sold at the coffee morning to raise money.

Our whole school community, parents, aunties, uncles, grandmas and grandads are encouraged to come to school and have a cup of tea or coffee and share a piece of cake.

All monies raised will be given to MacMillan.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club begins at 8.00 for those parents who are paying.

For primary children the cost is £3.00.

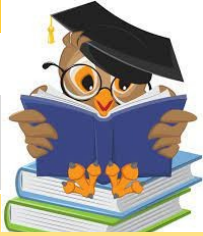
For nursery children the cost is £4.50.

Breakfast Club is free for primary children from 8.25.

Friday special: Pancakes

Paid breakfast club needs to be booked through the Parentmail App.

Those wanting free breakfast can turn up on the day, there is no need to book.



Our Reading Celebration Wall 2026/7

Gold Award (21/30 books)

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Bronze Award— (7/10 books)

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.

