



# St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 10th December 2020

## This Weeks Spotlight! Year FSU and Year One!



What a great week we have had in  
FSU/Y1!

We have now all written our Christmas lists and sent them to the North Pole via our trusty elves Erol and Erin and have also created some beautiful tree decorations from clay!

We thoroughly enjoyed our forest school session this week. We built a huge den together and taught how to use actual tools to create wooden necklaces and Christmas decorations.

We are looking forward to another busy week next week! Have a lovely weekend everyone.



## Classroom News!

### Year One & Two

This week we have been busy writing our own stories based on the book Zog. We have enjoyed a trip to Forest School, where we played hide and seek, built dens and made 'wood cookies' and we had an exciting day on Thursday wearing our Christmas jumpers and sitting down together to enjoy our lovely Christmas dinner.

### Year Three & Four

The year 3 4 children have succeeded in their challenge and have managed a worksheet free day today. They had to write more information in their exercise books but had more opportunity to practice their hand writing! As part of our project work, they made prototypes of a lamp for a bedroom. Next week, they will be adding electrical circuits to make them light up.

### Year Five & Six

We have had a busy week in Year 5/6; we have been investigating metamorphosis in Science and writing letters home from WW1 in English. As Geographers, we have explored looking at alternate methods for reducing food miles. Our Christmas lunch was amazing!!!

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### Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers

What a lovely week we have had! The children have been having a lovely time in school. We have been making Christmas cards, having our Christmas lunch and our younger children have enjoyed forest school.

Please note the information about head lice, it's important that we remain vigilant.

A letter has been sent out tonight about mass COVID testing at the school. Please read the information carefully and if you are concerned or worried about it please do not hesitate to speak to me on Monday.

We have been lucky enough to be awarded funding for an Academic Tutor. The tutor is called Miss Roberts and she will begin working with us after Christmas. Miss Robert's role will involve working with our Key Stage two children, helping them to bridge any gaps in learning which has been caused by the lockdown and not being in school. We welcome Miss Roberts to our school.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham

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## 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**

Marty Rogers

Viktor Huska

Minnie Brown

Natalie Deegan

### **Care, Consideration and Courtesy Award**

Niall Dowling

Kyla Fury

Danny Draper

Ria Gudimani

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### Headlice

We have had some cases of headlice in the school this week. Please read the following information:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

And remain vigilant.

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### Consultation

We are in the process of considering our PAN—Published Admissions Number. At present, the PAN is 21, this can cause difficulties when deciding on class sizes particularly mixed classes. Reducing our PAN will enable us to have smaller classes in the younger aged children and more manageable classes in KS2.

I would ask you during the consultation to please read the Admission's Policy 2022/23:

<https://www.stedmundswestlancs.co.uk/school-information/policies>

If you have any questions or concerns about the reduction of PAN please do not hesitate to come and see me. I have also sent out a questionnaire about the nursery and further improvement. Please complete if it is relevant to you. Mrs Birmingham

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## **Christmas Plans**

### **Christmas Parties**

**FSU and Year One— Tuesday 15th December 2020**

**Year One and Two —Thursday 17th December 2020**

**Year Three and Four—Monday 14th December 2020**

**Year Five and Six—Monday 14th December 2020**

**All children can come to school in their party clothes on their party day.**

### **Christmas Cards**

**We would encourage FSU/Year One and Year One/Two classes to make a single card to bring into school. This card will be displayed within the class.**

**Those children in Year Three/Four and Year Five/Six can bring in individual cards for their friends, but we would ask that they are in before Tuesday 15th December because we will need to quarantine them for 72 hours before we give them out on the final day because of COVID.**

### **Christmas Show**

**Video to be released 18th December 2020**

### **Save the children**

It was lovely to see all the children in their lovely Christmas jumpers yesterday, we had a lovely time having Christmas dinner with our friends. I would like to thank the Welfare Assistants for decorating the hall and our wonderful cooks Mrs Lightfoot and Mrs Washington for our lovely Christmas dinner, it was delicious.

Thank you for all your kind donations, we raised: £71.78

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