



# St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 12th December 2025

## This Weeks Spotlight!

### Year One & Two

First, I would like to say a massive well done to all of Year 1/2, along with the children in FSU, for their superstar performance of our Nativity, Snuggle Up Stable, this week. I'm sure you will all agree that the children were fantastic, and the singing blew the roof off!

I, and all the staff at St. Edmund's, are extremely proud of the hard work they put in during the practices leading up to the performance.

In between all the hard work of the Nativity, we have managed to get some other amazing work done! For next week's Christmas Café, the children have been busy making hot chocolate reindeer and reindeer food. They have really enjoyed this and are excited for you all to see them next week.

In English, we have been working on creating story maps, adding actions, and acting them out to our friends—lots of fun!

In maths, we have been focusing on partitioning and place value within 100. The children have enjoyed working with their maths partners and using the equipment.



In History, we have continued learning all about the history of Skelmersdale. Today we learned that the oldest shop in Skelmersdale is T & W Garners. We compared pictures from the past and present, discussing what is the same and what is different.

In Come and See, the children have been talking about the importance of light in Christmas celebrations and how Jesus is the light that guides us, brings us comfort, and keeps us from the dark.

**Have a relaxing weekend and get ready for our last week of term because it is going to be so much fun with all the activities we have planned in school!**

## Classroom News!

- Year EYFS** In FSU this week we have been busy preparing for our Nativity! On Wednesday, we were very pleased to see so many parents come and watch our Nativity and Miss. Fairhurst was very proud of all of the children's performances! Everyone sang beautifully and all of the children were fantastic in their roles on stage.
- In Maths, this week Reception have been practising sequencing numbers one to twenty and they have been working on their number formation of the teen numbers.
- In Nursery, the children have been looking at the number one and they have been finding objects to match the numeral in the classroom.
- FSU have also been preparing for the Christmas Craft Cafe and the children have been busy making lots of festive surprises to sell at the Craft Cafe!
- Well done FSU!
- Year Three & Four** It's been a busy and fun-filled week in Year 3 and 4! In English, we completed our modelled write, and the children have shown fantastic stamina and tenacity. We also explored how to adapt our villains in preparation for our independent writing early next week. In History, we learned about crime and punishment in Victorian times and discussed why Robert Peel created the Metropolitan Police Force. In Science, we investigated the effects of sugary drinks on teeth by conducting an experiment using boiled eggs. In between all this, we've been getting creative for our craft stall, singing at the Concourse supported by family and friends, performing at church, and even taking to the stage. We are all very excited for the fun activities planned for next week!
- Year Five & Six** Year 5/6 have been discovering a range of very interesting information all about the slaves in Ancient Greece. The children have compared the two city states and discussed how the people of both cities lived and how they treated their slaves. The children have also explored the role of women in Ancient Greece and if it was a nicer life for the women of Athens and Sparta.
- In RE, the children have been discussing how we get ready for Christmas during the Advent period. They have also explored sections of the New Testament and reading the scripture to see how the Prophet Isaiah told the people to be ready for Christ's arrival. In mathematics, the children have been in a 'fraction frenzy!' They have been completing some very challenging mathematics and trying really hard to solve subtraction of mixed numbers and improper fractions. As we approach our final week, the children have been planning our final ideas for our Christmas Craft Cafe and will be making all our goods to sell next week.
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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

Edward

Maya

Ksenia

Mac

### Growing Together in God's Family

Mia

Lila-Rae

Mary

Logan

### Attendance Award

#### This weeks winners are:

The winning class receives an extra playtime: Year Five & Six

Last week's overall attendance: 90.7%

This week's overall attendance:

**48 children have achieved 100% attendance this week.**

	This week's attendance	Pieces of pizza so far
<b>FSU</b>	94.3%	4
<b>Year One &amp; Two</b>	85.6%	0
<b>Year Three &amp; Four</b>	84.8%	1
<b>Year Five &amp; Six</b>	92.2%	5

Well done

Ignacy

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 piece of pretend pizza and if they are the first class to collect five pieces of pizza they will win a pizza party for the class.



# Christmas Raffle



This years amazing prizes for the Christmas Raffle  
£1.00 per strip  
Please send your money in an envelope to Mrs Wild.

Dear parents and carers

We have had a very busy week in school this week. I am immensely proud of our children and all that they have achieved. We have had the following events:

- KS2 Singing Carols at the Concourse
- St. Edmund's choir singing at the OLQP Carol Service
- EYFS and KS1 completing their nativity 'Snuggle-up Nativity'
- Dance Club dancing at the OLQP dance show.

During these events, our children sang beautifully, read their parts well and danced their hearts out. This was all done whilst demonstrating excellent behaviour and respect for those around them. The headteacher from OLQP sent me an email which said 'Your pupils were truly outstanding ambassadors for the school—such a joy and a credit to you all.' I would agree with Mrs Henshaw. Thank you children for always trying your best. Please look on facebook to see photographs of the children during these events. Thank you to all our staff members who have supported our children and school during this time.

One week left at school, please double check the events on the events calendar.

We will be closing on Friday 19th December. Those parents who attend our Awards ceremony at 1.30, can take their children home after this event.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham

**Monday 12th January 2025**

**M&M Productions will be presenting the pantomime**

**Cinderella**

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## Important Dates

Event	Date	Time	Place	Who	Children to wear
St. Edmund's Stars – McDonald's Lunch	15 <sup>th</sup> December	Lunchtime	McDonald's	Children who have been chosen.	Uniform
Christmas Crafts Cafe	16 <sup>th</sup> December	2.00 pm	School Hall	Parents and Children	Uniform
Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner	17 <sup>th</sup> December	All day	School Hall	Children	Christmas jumper or brightly coloured clothes. Money raised to go to Crisis—A homeless charity.
Supper with Santa	17 <sup>th</sup> December	3.30 pm – 4.45 Pm	School Hall	Children who have paid the fee.	
Christmas Parties	18 <sup>th</sup> December	During the school day.	Classrooms	Children	Partywear
Christmas Collective Worship	19 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15 am	School Hall	Whole School Community	Uniform
End of Year Celebration Assembly	19 <sup>th</sup> December	1.30 pm Those parents who attend the collective worship can take their children home early.	School Hall	Whole School Community	Uniform



**This week's house point winner is:**  
**Nightingale, Stephenson and Anderson**  
**Well done!**





## **Our Reading Celebration Wall 2025/6**

### **Gold Award (21/30 books)**

### **Silver Award (14/20 books)**

### **Bronze Award— (7/10 books)**

**Anaya Zak Igor Ria Darcy Lylah Kai**  
**Skyler Marty Zain Enzo Sue**  
**Grace Kamsi Aron Harlem David F**

### **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.**

