

# St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 12th May 2023

### **This Weeks Spotlight!**

#### **Year Three & Four**

This week in Year 3/4, we have been planning and writing our biography on Dame Vivienne Westwood. We have used all of the different facts and writing tools we have uncovered in our unit to help us to create a biography based on the world-famous fashion designer. It has been lots of fun learning about her interesting life! In Maths, we have been learning about equivalent fractions. We have used the bar model to help us to create a visual representation of what the different fractions look like; this has then helped us to work out which fractions are equivalent and which ones are not. In our Science unit, we have been learning about the different bones in the human body and their purpose. We've learnt that some of our bones help us to move, others are used for protection while some are there to help us remain sturdy. While in DT, we designed and made our very own Vivienne Westwood inspired bags. We have used left over fabric and material to make our own drawstring bags - just like Vivienne did at the beginning of her career. Finally, we ended the week with lots of fun in Forest School! Well done team on another fabulous week!























#### **Classroom News!**

Year EYFS

This week the children have been learning about the story 'Supertato'. They have been learning about the evil pea and the unkind things that he does. The children have been drawing maps of the story, creating prisons for evil pea and writing sentences. We have also been doing our phonic assessments and the children have done really well. Well done EYFS.

Year One & Two

Year 1&2 have had a great week of learning. In English, we have been following and writing instructions. We have been learning about the features and uses of instructions. We have even used instructions in a recipe to help us make a salad during our Design & Technology topic. In Maths, we have been learning more about halves and quarters, recognising equal parts and how to write fractions. In Science, we have started our new topic on plants. On Tuesday, we enjoyed the fact that the reception children joined us for a wild plant hunt around the school grounds. Well done Year 1&2!

Year Five & Six

This week Year 6 have been completing their end of Key Stage 2 SATs. Every child has tried their very best and shown great dedication to achieving the best that they can achieve. All staff are extremely proud of them all. On Friday afternoon, the children are being treated to a Domino's pizza as a reward for all their hard work.

Year 5 have been working with Miss Hughes this week, rehearsing their number facts, times tables, multiplication, division and grammar skills in the mornings. They have also been working on the continents and oceans and seas of the world using Purple Mash.



This week's house point winner is:

Anderson and 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

#### Care, Consideration and Courtesy Award

Oliver Smethurst Benjamin Alaoma

Poppy Rogers Adin Kamran

Lylah Campbell Elsie—May Smethurst

Kamsi Agim Melissa Doherty

#### **Attendance Award**

#### This weeks winners are: Year One & Two

The winning class receives an extra playtime.

Last week's overall attendance: 87.2% This week's overall attendance: 91.5%

This week 58 have had 100% attendance. Their names will be in the draw at the end of the term. Well done children.

Our attendance has improved this week. Next week is our first full week in quite a few weeks, so lets see if all children could be in every day. Come on children!

FSU	79.5%
Year One & Two	91.9%
Year Three & Four	91.7%
Year Five & Six	98.4%

### 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**

I am very proud of our year six children this week and they have approached their year six statutory tests. They have had to complete six tests. These tests are completed in test conditions and can be quite dauting. All children have come in early and have been ready to complete the test and if they have felt the pressure they have been able use their resilience to get over it. Well done year six you certainly deserve the Friday afternoon pizza.





I am delighted that three member of our school community: Michael, Maycie and Lili celebrated their First Holy Communion last weekend. I believe the ceremony was a joyous occasion and the children enjoyed their celebration events afterwards. We are proud of you children.

Mrs Hall has been sending out letters about your children's attendance. It is really important that your children attend school every day and on time. We don't want them to miss any learning, this could be detrimental to the children being the best they can be.

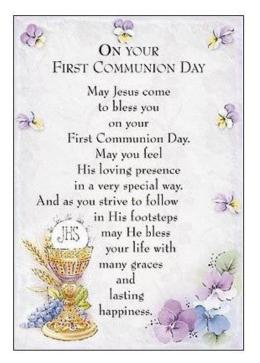
We are in the process of organising trips for our children in the final summer term. When organising a trip we have to complete a risk assessment in terms of keeping the children and adults safe during the trip. As part of this risk assessment we take into consideration the behaviour of the children, if the children are showing us behaviour in school which would mean they are not safe to go on a trip, then that child will not be able to attend the trip. Safety is really important. Only those children who are listening to the adult's instructions and acting upon them will be allowed to go.

I hope you have a lovely weekend

Mrs Birmingham

### **First Holy Communion Celebration**







We would like to wish three of our children: Michael, Maycie and Lili congratulations for making their First Holy Communion. I could not attend the communion but Mrs Buckley represented the school community and she expressed how proud she was of the children on the their special day. She said that Michael looked very smart and the girls looked very pretty in their dresses. We welcome you all into God's special church family.

## First Holy Communion Celebration cont...









### **Our Reading Celebration Wall 2022/23**

Gold Award (21/30 books)

Anaya Kai

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Ria Zak Michael Zain Katerina

**Bronze Award— (7/10 books)** 

David B Henry David F Matthew

Ksenia Penelope Zain Aron Maycie

Ava-Grace Grace

#### 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.

