St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 13th November 2026

This Weeks Spotlight!

Year One & Two

It has been another busy and exciting week of learning in Year 1/2! In English, we have continued our adventures with Supertato, exploring his heroic mission to save the supermarket vegetables from the Evil Pea's mischievous plans. The children came up with brilliant ideas about what makes a true superhero and thoroughly enjoyed acting out the role of the mischievous Evil Pea.

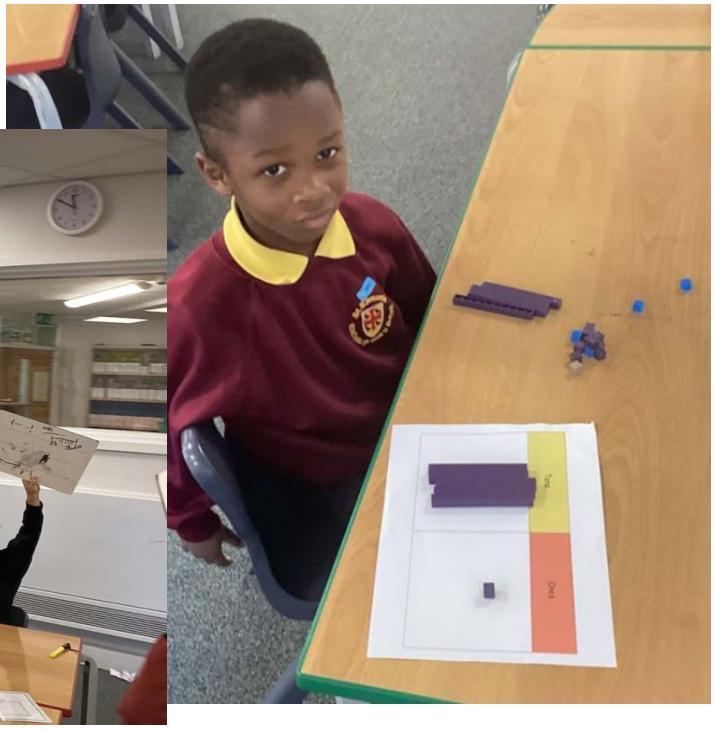
In Maths, we have been developing our estimation skills, learning how to distinguish between a random guess and a sensible estimate. The children have been examining number lines closely to accurately position and identify where specific numbers belong.



In RE, we have continued our study of An Angel Visits Mary, with a particular focus on retelling the key events of the narrative in our own words.

Finally, we began our new dance unit in PE this week. The class demonstrated wonderful teamwork, concentrating carefully on coordination and holding their formations together. Well done on another fantastic week of hard work, everyone!





Classroom News!

EYFS

This week in EYFS, Reception continued to look at their non-fiction text what can we see in autumn. The children have looked at the pictures and have come up with 'I can see...' Sentences for the pictures. We have also looked at lots of different words, their meanings and come up with actions for them. Nursery have read the book love makes a family. They have been doing the actions to the book and talking about their families. Also in class, the children have learned all about Remembrance Day and why we wear a poppy. They then created some lovely art by ripping pieces of red paper for the poppy's petals. We then used apples cut in half to print poppies with paint. In RE this week, we have continued to look at Mary and Angle Gabriel. We discussed how Mary was kind, loving and caring and she would look after God's son.

Year Three & Four

This week in Maths, we applied our addition and subtraction strategies to a range of problem-solving questions. The children are developing their reasoning skills and thinking carefully about which strategies to use to solve different problems.

In Science the children had fun investigating light. Looking through small holes in sealed boxes, the children tried to identify different objects. After peering inside with zero light, they allowed some natural light in to see if this increased visibility and finally they shone a torch inside to see if this improved visibility or not. They explored how reflective and non reflective materials interact with light and help to identify what the objects were.

In RE, we have begun to understand the importance of Mass for Catholics and why Catholics come together to celebrate Mass on a Sunday. We welcomed Father Kenny into our classroom on Thursday, who talked us through the different aspects of the Mass and shared his knowledge and experiences with us. This was a wonderful opportunity for the children to learn about the celebration of Mass first-hand and deepen their understanding of its importance to Catholics.

Another fantastic week of learning!

Year Five & Six

It has been another busy and exciting week in Year 5/6, with lots of fantastic learning taking place across the curriculum!

In Maths, the children have been exploring factors, common factors and multiples, developing their understanding of number relationships and using these skills to solve problems. In Writing, we have continued our new unit on legends, exploring the story of Beddgelert. The children discussed the characters, their emotions and motivations, and identified key themes within this traditional Welsh legend.

In History, we learned about the Viking raids on Lindisfarne (Holy Island). The children explored what happened and wrote diary entries, imagining what life was like for those who experienced these dramatic events. Science was particularly exciting this week! The children investigated how to make casein plastic using milk and vinegar, watching the milk transform into a solid substance that could be moulded. It was a fantastic hands-on experiment!

Well done, Year 5/6, for another week of enthusiasm, curiosity and fantastic learning. Keep up the great work!



This week's house point winners are:
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 they are 'Growing together in God's Family'.

St. Edmund's Standard Award	Growing Together in God's Family
Ria	**Poppy**
Blake	**Henry**
Hayley	**Lila-Rae**
Miracle	**Mmama**

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are: Year One and Two

The winning class receives an extra playtime.

Last week's overall attendance: 84.10%

This week's overall attendance: 86.8%

	This week's attendance	Pieces of Pizza
FSU	60%	0
Year One & Two	92.9%	2
Year Three & Four	84.3%	0
Year Five & Six	91.4%	3

Well done

The draw will be drawn next week because of the Microsoft Outage.

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 94% 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.

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Autumn Important Events 206-2027 – Dates and times can change, so please check on regular basis.

Event	Date	Time	Place	Who	Children to wear
Christmas Chocolate Day	**16th November**	**All day**	**School**	**All children and staff**	**All children to wear own clothes. All children to bring in chocolate which will be used for Christmas events.**
St Edmund of Abingdon Feast Day Mass	**17th November**	**11.00**	**School Hall**	**Everyone is welcome**	**NA**
Anti-Bullying Day	**23rd November**	**All day**	**School**	**All children**	**Children to wear odd socks.**
Parents' Evening for KS1/KS2	**24th/25th November**	**3.30-5.30**	**School**	**Parents**	**NA**
Parents' Day for EYFS	**24th November**	**9.30 – 5.30**	**School**	**Parents**	**NA**
INSET Day	**27TH November**	**All day**	**NA**	**NA**	**NA**
Christmas Bottle Day	**30th November**	**All day**	**School**	**All children and staff**	**All children to wear own clothes. All children to bring a bottle which will be used for Christmas events.**
OLQP Carol Concert Rehearsal	**4th December**	**PM**	**St. Mary's Catholic Church**	**St. Edmund's Choir**	**TBC**
Family Christmas Crafts	**7th December**	**9.15 – 11.15**	**School**	**Parents and children**	**NA**
KS2 Children singing in Concourse	**TBC**	**TBC**	**Concourse**	**All KS2 children**	**Santa hat and tinsel around neck for scarf.**
OLQP Carol Concert	**8th December**	**6.00 start Children to be there for 5.30.**	**St. Mary's Catholic Church**	**St. Edmund's Choir**	**TBC**
KS2 Advent Mass	**9th December**	**9.30 am**	**St. Richard's Catholic Church**	**KS2 children and parents**	**Uniform**
EYFS/KS1 Nativity	**9th December**	**2.00 pm**	**School**	**Whole School Community**	**NA**
Winter Wonderland Dance Show	**10th December**	**TBC**	**Our Lady Queen of Peace**	**Dance Club**	**Outfit to be organised by Mrs Mitchell.**
St. Edmund's Stars – McDonald's Lunch	**14th December**	**Lunchtime**	**McDonald's**	**Children who have been chosen.**	**Uniform**
Christmas Crafts Cafe	**15th December**	**2.00 pm**	**School Hall**	**Parents and Children**	**Uniform**
Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner	**16th December**	**All day**	**School Hall**	**Children**	**Christmas jumper or brightly coloured clothes. Money raised to go to Alder Hey Hospital.**
Supper with Santa	**16th December**	**3.30 pm – 4.45 Pm**	**School Hall**	**Children who have paid the fee.**	
Christmas Parties	**17th December**	**During the school day.**	**Classrooms**	**Children**	**Partywear**
Christmas Collective Worship	**18th December**	**9.15 am**	**School Hall**	**Whole School Community**	**Uniform**
End of Year Celebration Assembly	**18th December**	**1.30 pm**	**School Hall**	**Whole School Community**	**Uniform**

Dear Parents and Carers

Another great week at St. Edmund's. Don't forget to look at the Facebook page to see what is happening in school at the moment.

The school came together on Wednesday to think about those who had lost their lives in the First and Second World War and all the wars which have happened since. The children sat in silence for two minutes and took the time to reflect. I was especially pleased with our youngest children who sat for the two minutes in silence. Well done EYFS.

Don't forget about our reading challenge. Let us know where your children read. We have already had some children send photographs into school and it would be great to see even more. Send to school through Seesaw.

Free Breakfast Club continues every morning from 8:25 a.m. All children are welcome, and there is no need to book.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham

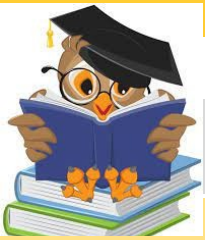
Events next week:

Monday—Christmas Chocolate Day—All children to bring in a chocolate bar and wear their own clothes. The chocolate will be used for our chocolate tombola at the Christmas Café.

Tuesday—Feast Day of St. Edmund of Abingdon—Mass will be held at 11.00.

Pupil Corner

If your child has done something outside of school which we could celebrate please email to: head@st-edmunds.lancs.sch.uk



Our Reading Celebration Wall 2026/7

Gold Award (21/30 books)

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Bronze Award— (7/10 books)

David F Enzo

Kamsi Harper Grace Max L Hayley

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.

