



# St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 13th December 2024

## This Weeks Spotlight!

### Year One & Two

Wow what a week in Year 1&2! We have been working so hard to prepare for our Nativity performance. We had our dress rehearsal in front of the whole school on Tuesday and our performance for our parents and family members on Thursday. We all had so much fun and enjoyed getting the chance to show everyone what we have been learning. In the classroom, we have been planning our final independent Super-tato story in English and in maths we have been partitioning numbers. In history, we looked at the toys the Royal family children played with in the past and also today. We learnt about the history of the teddy bear and compared teddy bears from the 20th century to what they are like today and discussed the similarities and differences. In RE, we spent time looking at Jesus' birth and the Christmas story, linking it to our Nativity. PE was filled with games which included running, skipping and side stepping skills and we have even found time to do some lovely Christmas crafts. Well done Year 1&2!



## Classroom News!

### Year EYFS

What a busy week we have had! EYFS took part in the Nativity and they were absolutely amazing. They have worked so hard on learning their songs and remembering when to come on and off the stage. We are very proud of them. In Literacy this week we have been looking at the Nativity story and retelling it with actions to help us remember. Then we used these actions to help us sequence it. In Maths, we have been recapping all we have learnt over this whole term; working on 1 more and 1 less, the composition of numbers to 5 and counting to 10. Christmas crafts have started in our classroom and this week we have made Christingles. We learned all about the different meanings of the parts and why they are given at Christmas time.

### Year Three & Four

Even with all the Christmas excitement, Year 3 and 4 have still managed to produce some excellent work this week. In English we have completed our modelled write and practised our focus areas: adverbials, conjunctions, expanded noun phrases and inverted commas, ready for our independent write next week. In Maths we have consolidated our learning with mixed addition and subtraction column addition exercises, taking care to present our work clearly. Our history topic is also coming to a close, the year 4 have begun to pull together a newspaper report on the impact the Romans had on Britain and we also made Top Trump cards all about Boudicca. As well as, singing in the school choir, creating marshmallow treats and beautiful tree decorations, it has been a jam packed week! One more to go guys!

### Year Five & Six

This week Year 5/6 have been developing their own understanding of persuasive texts. The children have been investigating a range of persuasive texts and exploring a range of media adverts and discussing the language used. We also looked at the town of Beddgelert, where a recent legend was based.

In Mathematics, we have begun to discover equivalent fractions, especially non unit equivalents.

In History, the children have investigated how the Viking religion changed from Paganism to Christianity and the process that took throughout history. Finally, the children have been melting, coating, mixing, stirring and designing our goods for the Christmas Craft Cafe - hopefully we will see you there.



**This week's house point winner is:  
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

Kamsiyochi

Noah

Anaya

Ava Jo

#### Growing Together in God's Family Award

Matthew

Isaac

Darcy

Blake

#### Attendance Award

**This weeks winners are: Year Three and Four**

The winning class receives an extra playtime

Last week's overall attendance: 83.5%

This week's overall attendance: 79.5%

**We have had a lot of children who have been unwell this week. Please remind your children to wash their hands if they have used a tissue or have sneezed into their hands. This will just help with germ control.**

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

	This week's attendance	Cups of Hot Chocolate so far
<b>FSU</b>	74.3%	0
<b>Year One &amp; Two</b>	69.5%	2
<b>Year Three &amp; Four</b>	85.2%	3
<b>Year Five &amp; Six</b>	88.7%	2

#### Alicja

**has won the individual attendance award**

**Well Done for being in school every day and on time.**

### 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 90% each week, will gain a hot chocolate ticket and if they are the first two classes to collect five tickets they will win hot chocolate and a movie for the class.

Dear Parents and Carers

What a fantastic week we have had in school! There has been lots of Christmas events happening. First, we took a group of KS2 children to Tesco Burscough to sing Christmas Carols. Little Digmaor Primary School very kindly let us borrow a driver and a mini-bus to get there. Sorry thank you Little Digmaor. During this event, the children raised £100. We then took the whole of KS2 to sing at the Concourse. During this event the school raised £118. We were delighted with the outcome and the money will be used for school fund. During both events the children sang beautifully and represented our children well. So well that a member of public brought the children a can of Pespri each from Iceland. Thank you to the member of the public.

The children in EYFS and KS1 performed 'A Starry Night in Bethlehem'. It was a lovely tradition nativity with beautiful songs. The children did very well and certainly got us into the Christmas spirit.

School is finishing on Friday. We will be having a Collective Worship which parents are welcome to join. Those parents who come to the Collective Worship will be able to collect their children early from school. School will start again on **Monday 6th January 2025**.

There is only one week left in school and we have some lovely events on. Please keep checking your emails for further information.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham

## School Lottery

Please support the school by taking part in the school lottery. The money raised from the lottery will help to support the purchase of new computers, trips and special events.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/st-edmunds-catholic-primary-school>

The next draw will be for a £25,000 jackpot.

## Pupil Corner

If your child/children have achieved something at home, please send an email to me with a photograph.

[head@st-edmunds.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:head@st-edmunds.lancs.sch.uk)

# St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School

## Autumn Important Events

Event	Date	Time	Place	Who	Children to wear
Winter Wonderland Dance Show	16 <sup>th</sup> December	TBC	Our Lady Queen of Peace	Dance Club	Outfit to be organised by Mrs Nickson and Mrs Mitchell.
Christmas Crafts Cafe	17 <sup>th</sup> December	2.00 pm	School Hall	Parents and Children	Uniform
Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner	18 <sup>th</sup> December	All day	School Hall	Children	Christmas Jumper or brightly coloured clothes. Money raised to go to Alder Hey Hospital.
Supper with Santa	18 <sup>th</sup> December	3.30 pm – 4.45 Pm	School Hall	Children who have paid the fee.	
End of Year Celebration Assembly	19 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15 am	School Hall	Whole School Community	Partywear
Christmas Parties	19 <sup>th</sup> December	During the school day.	Classrooms	Children	
Christmas Collective Worship	20 <sup>th</sup> December	2.00 pm  Those parents who attend the collective worship can take their children home early.	School Hall	Whole School Community	Uniform

Please keep checking in case dates change.



# Our Reading Celebration Wall 2024/5

**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.**

