

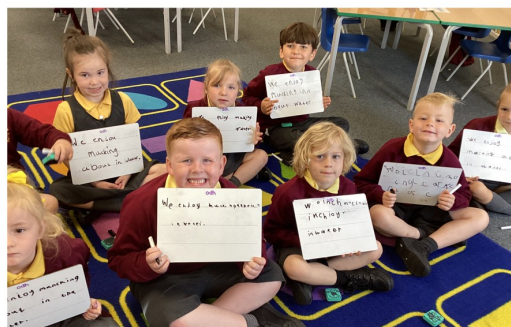


St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 13th June 2025

This Weeks Spotlight!

What a great week in Year 1&2! In English, we have been using the word 'or' in our writing and have been creating guides to help us look after a pet. In maths, we have been learning how to find a whole, half, quarter and a third. We had great fun drawing Kente cloth patterns in art using different media to help us see which we thought was the best. Design and technology, was great fun as we learnt about levers and pivots. We made one of each and are looking forward to making more pop up book movements next week. Our Year 1 children did amazingly in their phonics screening test this week and I am very proud of them and all of their hard work. In science, we have been monitoring our plants growth and have started to record this in our science books. We are learning a dance in PE and the children are doing really well at remembering the moves and positions that they need to be in. In RE, we listened to the story about Jesus and Zacchaeus. How Jesus forgave him and gave him an opportunity to change his ways. We discussed what we could learn from this and how it might help us to do the same in our own lives. Well done Year 1&2 for another great week!



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Classroom News!

EYFS

This week in EYFS this week we have continued to read our book *The Rainbow Fish*. We looked at all the different words describing the fish and made actions up to help us remember what they mean. Once we had read some of the story, we stepped through our magic mirror and pretended to be Rainbow Fish and answered questions on how we were feeling. In Maths this week, Reception have been looking at shape and how we can manipulate them to fit into pictures. We also explored how smaller shapes put together make bigger shapes. In Nursery the children have been looking at grouping items by size and amount. In Art this week we have been painting with different spices and exploring the differences between them and normal paint.

Year Three & Four

This week the year 4's completed their Multiplication Times table Check (MTC) and I couldn't be prouder of their efforts. They each went in a room with Mrs Birmingham by themselves and completed the check under strict exam conditions, 'Calm as a Cucumber' was our mantra and they gave it their all. Although results are not released yet, I am positive they smashed it! In maths, they have all shown good progress and understanding with decimals and we will use this knowledge to look at money next week.

In English, the children have begun to learn the Spider and the Fly poem by heart. Then we were set a mission by "Detective Kenyon" to interrogate Mr Spider and the mysterious disappearance of Miss Fly. We broke off into groups of 3 and took turns as Mr Spider, Chief Inspector and a reporter, trying out open and closed questioning techniques and performed this in front of the class.

In Science, we are looking at nutrition. The children have been studying the Eatwell Plate and the importance of having a balanced diet for our bodies to function correctly. They were set a mission to record what they eat for breakfast, lunch and dinner over a full week and focus on getting a balance of fruit & vegetables, carbohydrates, proteins, dairy, fats and sugar. I look forward to reading some delicious food choices.

Year Five & Six

This week Year 5/6 have been discovering volume in mathematics. The children have been using cubes to help them understand the concept of volume by counting the cubes inside an amount of space. They also have had the opportunity to make a variety of shapes themselves and calculate the volume.

In DT, the children have been investigating the insect world around our local area. They have been exploring the school grounds and discovering all the living spaces of insects and using this information to generate their own ideas to build a 'bug' hotel suitable for a variety of insects to build a home. The children have also been trying hard to recall their lines for our performance. They have begun to act out small parts when reading the stage directions and prompts for help.

Year 5/6 have also celebrated their attendance day victory with a summer picnic. They spent the afternoon with a tasty picnic for having a 100% attendance on the special day.



This week's house point winner is:
Stephenson
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

Paisley-Mae

Kyla

Paddy

Ava-Jo

Growing Together in God's Family Award

Clayton

Rory

Zain

Caia

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are: Y3/4

The winning class receives an extra playtime

Last week's overall attendance: 93.3%

This week's overall attendance: 92.4%

63 children have got 100% attendance. Well done children you will be in the attendance draw.

FOMO winners: Year Three/Four

	This week's attendance	Summer Picnic Ticket
FSU	88.6%	3
Year One & Two	89%	2
Year Three & Four	98.1%	4
Year Five & Six	91.4%	5

Caroline-Catherine

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 92% each week, will gain a Summer Picnic ticket and if they are the first two classes to collect five tickets they will win a summer picnic and games on the field for their class.

Dear Parents and Carers

Attendance has been excellent this week. We would like to continue this trend by encouraging our children through the 'FOMO' attendance drive. FOMO stands for 'Fear Of Missing Out'. Mrs Henderson is going to be giving out random attendance treats to children. If a class has a 100% that day, they may receive an award in the form of either an extra play on the adventure playground or a sweet treat. The children will not know what day it will be given, so they must make sure they are in school.

Lancashire Adult Learning has been in school this week and had an excellent time with our KS1 children building Lego. They are back in next week on Thursday afternoon, if you would like to attend please see Mrs Henderson and she will explain how you can book. It is lovely to see parents in the school, enjoying being with their children.

Next week, we are having some playground marking completed. A snakes and ladders will be painted on both playgrounds. This has been funded by a number of charities, we are grateful to them for supporting us.

Well done to our Year One children for completing their Phonics Screening Test and our Year Four children for completing their MTC. They all did well and we are very proud of them.

I will be finalising dates for the end of term, next week, so I will be sending out the date sheet for your fridges. Please look out for it.

I hope this you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham

Reminder

Just a gentle reminder in relation to holidays:

If you want to take your child out of school for a holiday if their attendance is 96% or above, you will not be fined.

If the time the children are absent for is 4 and a half days within a 10 week period, you will not be fined.

If you take your child out of school and their attendance is below 96% or they are absent for more than 4 and a half days within a 10 week period, you will be fined. If you are away for 3 days and then 2 days at a separate occasion within a 10 week period you will be fined. Most schools will fine even if a child's attendance is over 96%. We at, St. Edmund's, have made the decision not fine if a children's attendance is 96% or above because we want to work with parents.

Book badge | Blue Peter

370 Comments

Do you love books and reading? If you do, this is the badge for you! To earn this badge all you need to do is tell us about a book you've enjoyed reading recently and draw a character or scene from the book. We'd also love to hear about any books that have sparked your imagination. So, what are you waiting for? Pick up a book, explore your school library, or become a member of your local library and you could be on your way to earning your very own Book badge!



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<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/findoutmore/blue-peter-apply-for-a-book-badge>

If you are awarded a badge, you can then use it to gain free entry to some attractions.



Flourish as a St. Edmund's Sunflower

Come and grow with our Scandinavian approach toddler group.

All parents with children 0-2 years are welcome.

Tuesday 1.45 pm - 3.15 pm



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Our Reading Celebration Wall 2024/5

Gold Award (21/30 books)

Ria Zain Zak

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Kai Coral Penelope David F Emanuel Max L Kamsi

Hayley

Bronze Award— (7/10 books)

Michael A Alicja Paddy Lexi-May David B

Matthew Isaac S Rueben C Daniel L

Ignacy Kate Sue Matthew Ben Hughie

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.

