



St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 14th February 2025

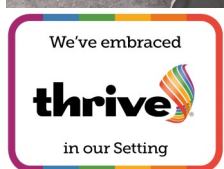
This Weeks Spotlight!

EYFS

In EYFS this week the children were very creative. As part of our topic this term we have been learning about celebrations from around the world. Firstly we looked at the Brazilian carnival that happens before Lent. As a class, the children explored the costumes and music, then they made some carnival masks. Another celebration we looked at was Holi festival. This was very exciting because we found out that it was the festival of colour and people threw coloured paint and water at each other to celebrate! On Tuesday we celebrated Safer Internet Day. The children listened to a story and decided how the little girl felt about different events in the story and how we can stay safe online.

In Literacy the children continued to look at nursery rhymes. Our new rhyme this week was 5 Little Speckled Frogs. We sang the song and then acted it out in the hall, being the frogs and jumped into the pool each time. We then worked on our rhyming words, which was really tricky. We jumped like frogs onto lily pads were the rhymes matched. As a class we then re-wrote the rhyme using a different animal and setting. It was all about 5 Little Speckled Cats on a cozy mat.

In Maths, Reception continued to look at the numbers 6, 7, and 8. We have been finding double numbers and making them using butterflies and ladybirds. On Friday we worked hard on adding two numbers together to make a new one. In Nursery, we looked at the number 5; what it looks like and how we make it. They found 5-sided shapes.



Classroom News!

Year One & Two We have had a great week in Year 1&2! We finished writing and editing our own versions of the 'Zog' story. The children did such a great job and I really enjoyed reading them. In maths, we have started our addition and subtraction topic. We have been adding to 10 and adding past ten. In RE, we have been learning about the Holy Communion and also practicing the 'Our Father' prayer. In PE, we enjoyed our first cricket session on Wednesday and our gymnastics session on Thursday. In geography, we have been learning about the countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and in science we compared the four seasons. Have a lovely, relaxing half-term break in Year 1&2. You deserve it!

Year Three & Four In Maths, we have been measuring in km, m, cm & mm. We challenged ourselves and applied this to various tricky word problems. Problem solving is a skill we are working on, understanding we might not know the answer straightaway but thinking what do we know that will help us to solve the problem.

In English, we finished off this half term with an independent write based on the Iron Man, making sure to include all the grammar elements we have focused on.

Mrs Rowlands is looking forward to reading them all over the half term. For Safer Internet day we talked about scams. The children learnt what to look out for, discussed different scenarios and created posters.

We have been very active this week with a brilliant cricket session focused on throwing and catching, a gymnastics session practicing rolls, swimming, skipping and even some Just Dance! Have a wonderful break everyone.

Year Five & Six Year 5/6 have been working hard this week, especially in English. The children have been gathering lots of ideas to help to construct a science fiction narrative after half term. They have explored ideas for an alien character, as well as describing the main character and details within the home. In mathematics, the children are beginning to explore multiplication of 4-digit by 2-digit numbers; some of the calculations have been challenging, especially using a long multiplication written method.

In RE, we have been discovering Jesus sacrifice, by giving his life after the last supper. The children have discussed what they have sacrificed in their own lives and how sacrifices can be made for the greater good. In geography, the children completed an information text on the Amazon basin. They used laptops to research the Amazon basin, discussed our prior learning and we also discussed the impact of deforestation and climate change in the region. Finally, we further investigated the multitude of biomes that are within South America.



**This week's house point winner is:
Nightingale
Well done!**





EYFS
Photographs



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

Skyler
Jeremiah
Kamsiyochi
Igor

Growing Together in God's Family Award

Penelope
Marty
Maya
Emmanuel

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are: Year 5 and 6

The winning class receives an extra playtime

Last week's overall attendance: 83.5%

This week's overall attendance: 73.8%

38 children have been in school every day and on time. Well done children you will be in the attendance draw.

Attendance has been very poor this week because of the illness' we have had in school. There has been high temperatures and we also have chicken pox. The advice from health is to make sure the children continue to wash their hands and if they use a tissue to make sure they put it in the bin.

	This week's attendance	Cups of Hot Chocolate so far
FSU		2
Year One & Two		3
Year Three & Four		5
Year Five & Six		2

Michael G
have 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

This week we celebrated 'Online Safety Day'. We spoke about technology and how it is very helpful. We also discussed how when we use it, we must be careful because if it is not used correctly it can be dangerous. We discussed 'scamming', what to be mindful of when using technology and what to do if we think we are being scammed. The children then completed activities in their classrooms. An excellent day for all.

Seven of our children went to McDonald's because they have been doing the right thing in class, listening to the teacher and trying their best at learning. Well done children.

We have had WLSP in school this week, teaching the children about cricket. The children have really enjoyed the sessions, they will continue after the half-term.

We have had a fantastic half-term, lots of fantastic things happening. There has been an amount of money left over from the roof project. The diocese has agreed to have some of lighting replaced, going from the old fashioned strip lights to new LED lights. These lights will be better for the children but will also be better for energy use.

School will finish for half-term on Friday 14th February for one week, we will return to school on Monday 24th February.

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>

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



Our Reading Celebration Wall 2024/5

Gold Award (21/30 books)

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Kai Ria Zain Zak Coral

Bronze Award— (7/10 books)

Michael A Alicja Kamsi Paddy Lexi-May David B Penelope

Matthew Emanuel Isaac S Max L Rueben C Hayley Daniel L

Ignacy David F Kate Sue

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.

