



St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 14th March 2025

This Weeks Spotlight!

Year Five & Six

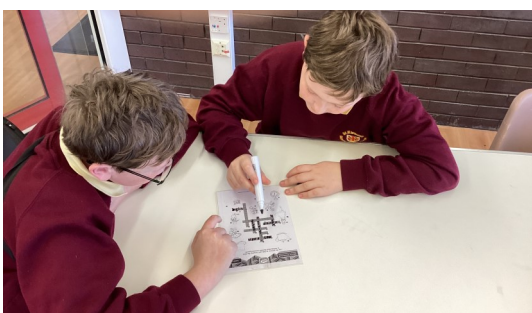
Year 5/6 have been very busy again. At the start of the week, we have a fantastic visit to Skelmersdale Library. Here, the children got to explore the children's section of the library; then they went on a scavenger hunt around the library; completed a crossword and finally had to use our clues to pen up locked treasure chests - a lot of fun we had by all.

We have begun our new English unit this week and it has taken the class by storm. We are reading *The Invention of Hugo Cabret* and they children love it. Each day they are asking if we are reading more, which is lovely to hear. From the text we have explored the new character Hugo and his home in a French train station. We have also discovered lots of themes within the text and discussed the new and unfamiliar language in the book. They also acted out some of the scenes from the text.

On Wednesday, the children had fun outside in the sunshine with cricket. Lancashire Cricket coaches have been developing the children's skills in batting and keeping control of the ball.

In Mathematics, we have been discovering lots of strategies to help the children divide successfully. It was very tricky at first but they did show a lot of resilience, and they got there in the end.

Well done everyone.



Classroom News!

EYFS

In EYFS this week we have continued to look at our book *The Scarecrows Wedding*. We created a story map and actions to help us remember the story and then performed it in class. Reception then retold the story in their writing books and Nursery ordered the story using props. In Maths, Reception have been looking at the numbers 9 and 10; finding them and composition. Nursery have looked at height and length; using words like longer, shorter and taller to compare. In class we have looked at families and how all our families are different and that is ok because we love them. Also, we have talked about what we would need to plan a wedding; we looked at wedding invites, cards, a veil and a wedding dress.

Year One & Two

Year 1&2 had a great time visiting the library on Monday morning. We did a word search, scavenger hunt and colour by number to help free Alice in Wonderland. We have been turning statements into questions during English and in maths, we have been subtracting to and across 10. In geography, we enjoyed learning about maps, why people use them and even created our own of our route to school or a map of our bedroom. In PE, we practised batting in cricket and performed some lovely sequences in gymnastics. Well done Year 1&2!

Year Three & Four

In English this week, Year 3 & 4 have been continuing their reading and responding on the Romans. We have used various sources such as books, websites and videos to research Julius Casear, the Colosseum, Health and Medicine and Food and Drink. The children had a go at blackout poetry which was a new skill, with some fabulous results. In Maths we are concentrating on multiplication and division. We have covered multiplying three digits and understanding the flexibility to multiply factors in different ways resulting in the same product. In geography, we have completed our topic on Sicily by studying the landscape. The children were fascinated by Mount Etna and how it is still an active volcano today and this took our interest further as we began to understand why volcanos erupt and the effects this has on the landscape. Another great week.

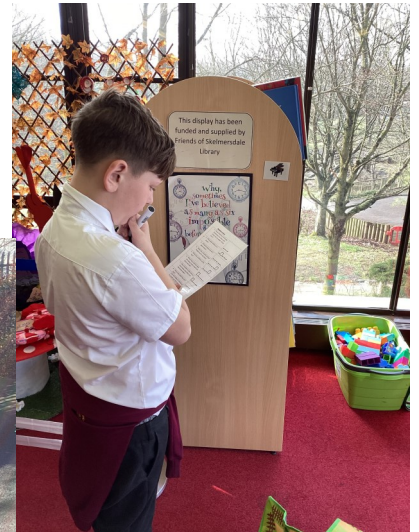


**This week's house point winner is:
Nightingale & Stephenson
Well done!**



Extra Photographs from Year Five and Year

Six



Pupil Parliament

Our Pupil Parliament children were introduced to David and Cora from Glassball, who introduced children to the Alternative Future Project (an initiative giving young people a voice in shaping Skelmersdale's future). They were asked to take part in an emotional mapping exercise of the town centre. They walked from the college down to the library and around the baths, choosing colours and making notes about how they felt as they moved through the areas.

Most children felt the area needed some improvements, particularly in relation to the litter.



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

Michael

Marty

Paddy

Zain

Growing Together in God's Family Award

Mac

Jeremiah

Tia'Leigh

Poppy

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are: Year Three and Four

The winning class receives an extra playtime

Last week's overall attendance: 89.4%

This week's overall attendance: 94.8%

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

	This week's attendance	Cups of Hot Chocolate so far
FSU	77.5%	3
Year One & Two	87.4%	4
Year Three & Four	94.8%	5
Year Five & Six	92.6%	4

Tia'Leigh

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 the children had a fantastic time at the local library when they experienced the Wonderland of Words Workshop on Monday with our classes. All the children who attended really enjoyed learning about the story of Alice in Wonderland. They discussed the importance of books and how we are able to borrow books from the library for free. The library has lots of fantastic clubs and groups on including Lego Club and Science club. We will let you know more information on this shortly.

We will be sending a letter out on Tuesday with the Easter Events on so that you can put it on your fridge. We are just finalising some events.

School has been awarded £1,500 from TESCOS. This money will be used to develop a sustainability project in school. Children will be taught how to grow vegetables and we hope once we are established they will be able to sell their produce to you. Mr Alderman, Mrs Henderson and Mrs Fletcher are working on the project.

Our roof is finally finished and I feel the company has done an excellent job. We are just waiting for them to remove the scaffolding and then complete their final clean. The next stage for us will be asking the diocese for a new boiler.

Mrs Regan has asked me to inform parents that from now on she will be known as Miss Etherington.

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)

Ria Zain Zak

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Kai Coral Penelope David F

Bronze Award— (7/10 books)

Michael A Alicja Kamsi Paddy Lexi-May David B

Matthew Emanuel Isaac S Max L Rueben C Hayley Daniel L

Ignacy Kate Sue Matthew Ben

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.

