

## St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 15th September 2023

# This Weeks Spotlight! Year Three & Four

This week in Year 3/4, we have been creating our own setting descriptions based on an Egyptian village. The children used augmented reality to explore an Egyptian village; they used this to generate vocabulary linked to their 5 senses. In Maths, we have been looking at different counting strands and numbers up to 1000. The children have been challenging themselves to try and solve some tricky word problems. While in science, we learnt that sound is caused by vibrations. In order to test this, we made our own paper-cup telephones - it was lots of fun! This week was also a first for some of Year 3, as they had their very first swimming lesson! The children all absolutely loved it and were so confident in tackling the water. Well done Team on a fantastic week - keep it up!



















#### **Classroom News!**

**EYFS** 

In EYFS, we have been talking about our families and who is in our family. We have been creating family trees and making framed pictures of our families. We have also been continuing to learn about how to use the areas in classroom and how to tidy them. We have been continuing to learn about the friendship bench, we have created our own friendship benches.

Year One & Two

Year 1&2 have been learning about significant people as part of our history topic. They looked at the famous footballer Marcus Rashford and the impact he has had on providing more free school meals for children. In maths, we have been counting forwards and backwards and in English we have been sequencing the Amazing Grace story and even began to plan a diary entry. In RE, we have been learning about the Creation story and how God made the earth and everything in it. In PE this week we focused on our jumping skills. Making sure we bended our knees and used our arms to jump as high as possible. Well done Year 1&2 for another great week of learning!

Year Five & Six

This week in Year 5/6 we have been exploring light and how we use reflections to help us see around corners as we investigated periscopes. In English we are looking at how to use adverbials to link our writing together and we are reading The Golden Horsemen of Baghdad. In topic we have explored a wide range of sources and discussed what they can tell us from life in Baghdad 900AD. Within our RE we have been listening to stories all about unconditional love.



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 | Care, Consideration and Courtesy Award |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Zak T                       | Max M                                  |
| Danny D                     | Ria G                                  |
| Milly P                     | Kyla F                                 |
| Kinga N                     | Lexi M                                 |

#### **Attendance Award**

#### This weeks winners are: Year Three & Four

The winning class receives an extra playtime. Last week's overall attendance: 88.7% This week's overall attendance: 89.6%

Attendance this week is still not as good as it should be, please remember we can only teach your children to be the best that they can be if they are in school. Attendance at school is essential for learning.

64 children have achieved 100% attendance this week.

| FSU               | 87.3% |
|-------------------|-------|
| Year One & Two    | 79.6% |
| Year Three & Four | 96.4% |
| Year Five & Six   | 95%   |

### Announcement: Family Attendance Draw

At the end of each term, we are going to have an attendance draw. For every full week a child is in school they will receive a ticket which will be entered into the end of term attendance draw. Therefore the more full weeks your child is in school the greater chance you have at winning the draw. The prize will be a £25 voucher for Asda.

#### **Dear Parents and Carers**

What a fantastic week! School has been very calm and there has been lots of learning happening. I am always pleasantly surprised by how welcoming our children are, they have all been looking after our new children taking care of them and making sure that they are okay and happy. Our St. Edmund's Family is very special and an honour to be a part of. Thank you children for being the best that you can be, I am very proud of all of you.

Please note the dates for our yearly McMillan Coffee Mornings. All family members are invited, including grandmas, grandads, aunties and uncles, it would be lovely to see you all.

This year we have taken the decision to take part in Young Voices. The whole of Key Stage Two will be involved. I have attended the concert as a member of staff and as a parents and it is an amazing event. The children really enjoy the concert, singing to 100s of people. Those parents who are unable to make the concert, we will have a concert in school were the children will perform the songs to family and friends.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham

## **Pupil Corner**

In pupil's corner,

we celebrate any achievements which children have completed at home.

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

head@st-edmunds.lancs.sch.uk

### **Important Information**

A gentle reminder children are only allowed to have water in their water bottles not juice, flavoured water or cordial as we have a child in school who allergic to these items.

These drinks are allowed at lunchtime because we are able to manage the situation because of the amount of staff on duty during lunchtime.

#### **School Uniform Expectation**

| Days of Week                   | Year Groups  | Uniform Expectation   |
|--------------------------------|--|---|
| Monday<br>Tuesday<br>Wednesday | All classes  | Girls' Winter School Uniform  Boys' Winter School Uniform  Grey Skirt or Pinafore  Yellow/Gold Polo Shirt  Burgundy Sweatshirt/Cardigan  Boys' Winter School Uniform  Grey Trousers  Yellow/Gold Polo Shirt  Burgundy Sweatshirt  White Socks  Black Shoes/Black Trainers (no white markings) |
| Thursday All classes           | Girls' PE Uniform  Black Full Zip Top  Black Jogging Pants Burgundy Shorts (Summer)  White t-shirt |   |
|                                |  | Black Trainers (no white markings)  |
| are doing forest school (Fo    | EYFS/Y1/Y2   | Girls' Winter School Uniform  Boys' Winter School Uniform  Grey Skirt or Pinafore  Yellow/Gold Polo Shirt  Burgundy Sweatshirt/Cardigan  Boys' Winter School Uniform  Grey Trousers  Yellow/Gold Polo Shirt  Burgundy Sweatshirt  White Socks  Black Shoes/Black Trainers (no white marks)    |
|                                | Y5/6 and those children who are doing forest school (For the next four weeks it is Y3/4)           | ings)  Girls' PE Uniform  Black Full Zip Top  Black Jogging Pants  Burgundy Shorts (Summer)  White t-shirt  Black Trainers (no white markings)  |

Uniform items with the school logo on are available from the office but if you would like uniform items without the logo, they are available from Asda.



### **Our Reading Celebration Wall 2023/24**

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.





We will be holding our Macmillan coffee mornings on:

EYFS/KS1—Tuesday 26th September 2023 KS2—Wednesday 27th September 2023

Parents would be asked to donate a packet of cakes which would be on sale on the day. If parents would like to send in packets of sealed cakes before the date, you are very welcome.

It would be lovely to see everyone and raise money for the Macmillan Cancer Support.

## **Gentle Reminder**

It is school policy that children under 16 will not be allowed collect their younger siblings.