



St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 16th October 2026

This Weeks Spotlight!

Year Three & Four

This week, Year 3 and 4 have had a wonderful time learning across the curriculum!

In English, we have been researching famous landmarks in London and gathering interesting facts, organising our information under clear subheadings ready to write our own non-fiction leaflets next week. Our grammar focus has been about using 'a' and 'an' correctly.

In Maths, we have been building on our Year 1 and 2 knowledge of number bonds, using these skills as efficient strategies to solve addition and subtraction calculations with larger numbers.

In RE, we are coming to the end of our lovely topic on Creation. This week, we explored the Book of Psalms, discovering that it is made up of songs and poems. We focused on Psalm 8, which praises the beauty and wonder of God's creation, and created beautiful artwork inspired by the psalm. We also learnt the Makaton signs to 'He's Got the Whole World in His Hands', bringing our learning to life through music, movement and signs.

During Forest School, we enjoyed some seasonal conker crafts and warmed ourselves up with delicious hot chocolate — a perfect autumn activity!

We rounded off our week by celebrating World Food Day!

The children investigated items from their lunchboxes to discover where different foods had travelled from. This sparked some thoughtful discussions about food origins, food miles and how our choices can affect our carbon footprint. Well done, Year 3 and 4, for another busy and enjoyable week full of curiosity, creativity and fantastic learning!



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Classroom News!

EYFS In EYFS this week we have been listening to and singing the nursery rhyme Old McDonald. We have explored different farm animals and what farmers do on a farm. Then we used other animals and dinosaurs and included them in our version of the nursery rhyme. In Maths, Reception have been looking at the numbers 1, 2 and 3. We have explored what they look like and how to make them. The Nursery children have been looking at sorting items into groups and thinking of different rules. On Wednesday afternoon some of our children went for a walk around our local area to look at the different houses. We spoke about the features of a house and what they are made of.

Year One & Two This week in Year 1/2, we have been busy learning across the curriculum. In Science, we carried out an exciting experiment to investigate which materials are waterproof. In RE, we are learning about the Nicene Creed. In Maths, we have been working hard on fact families, helping us to understand the relationship between addition and subtraction facts. In English, the children have shown great creativity and determination while writing their own stories inspired by Harry the Happy Mouse. Another great week of learning, well done Year1/2!

Year Five & Six We have had another busy and exciting week in Year 5/6! The children have been working hard across the curriculum and continuing to develop their skills and confidence as learners. Here is a little update on our learning this week. In English, we have been developing our writing skills through modelled writing, focusing on using expanded noun phrases to add detail and description. We have also explored how to improve dialogue by adding actions and descriptions to bring characters to life. The children have planned their own independent narratives inspired by The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe, which they will be completing next week.

In Maths, we have been investigating addition and subtraction, developing our calculation skills and learning how to use the inverse operation to check our answers and ensure accuracy. The children have been practising their invasion skills through dodgeball in PE, focusing on teamwork, movement, spatial awareness and tactics to outmanoeuvre their opponents. Within History, we have been exploring how changes in religion during the Anglo-Saxon era affected children's lives. The children are investigating the transition from paganism to Christianity and considering how these changes influenced daily life and beliefs. Well done to everyone for their hard work and enthusiasm this week. We look forward to another fantastic week of learning!



This week's house point winners are:
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 they are 'Growing together in God's Family'.

St. Edmund's Standard Award

Oliver

Harlem

Michael

Paddy

Growing Together in God's Family

Ava Grace

Isaac

Isaac

Mia

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are: Year 5 & 6
The winning class receives an extra playtime.
Last week's overall attendance: 90.6%
This week's overall attendance: 86.9%

	This week's attendance	Pieces of Pizza
FSU	70%	0
Year One & Two	90.6%	2
Year Three & Four	78.6%	0
Year Five & Six	95.9%	3

Well done

Hayley

For winning our weekly attendance award. You have won a £5 voucher.

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 94% each week, will gain a golden ticket and if they are the first two classes to collect five pizza slices, will receive a pizza party experience for the class.

Halloween Disco

Friday 23rd October 2026



Dear Parents and Carers

We will be having a fancy dress disco on Friday 23rd October 1.30 pm till 3.00 pm in the school hall. Children are allowed to wear Halloween costumes but we would remind you that there will be young children in attendance so please be mindful that the costumes are not too frightening. Children can wear their costume to school in the morning, and if they would like to put make up on, they can do so at 1.00 pm ready for the disco.

If children do not want to attend the fancy dress disco, they will be able to go to a designated classroom with a member of staff.

The disco will be free of charge. Children can bring money into school to spend on the tuck shop. The price of the products are:

Boost/Twirl/Marvellous Creation/Dairy Milk Caramel/Picnic – 50p

Mini Roll Cake Bar – 30p

Freddo – 30p

Mixed bag of sweets – 50p

Water or Fruit Shoot - £1.00

The event will include party games and a disco.

Thank you to Archie and Oscar's Mum and Dad.



Thank you to Oscar and Archie's Mum and Dad who completed Chester Triple which includes running 10km in March, 21km(half marathon) in May and metric marathon/marathon last Sunday. Mrs Rigby ran 57km and Mr Rigby ran 73km over three race. What an amazing accomplishment!!

Mr and Mrs Rigby has raised £610 for the school which will be used to purchase our final piece of equipment for the EYFS and KS1 playground - a free standing train.

They will also be donating the money to the Autism charity ABUG Soft Play.

Their Just Giving page is:

justgiving.com/page/carly-rigby-1?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=FB&fbclid=IwY2xjawU-GHBleHRuA2FlbQlXMQBwZG9mAXNydgMGYXBwX2lkEDlYmJAzOTE3ODgyMDA4O-TIAAR6kHFmgY4xDrRr25ltE6-lyUwq8eBDa_8ogY5d_sXuRRA8CfY6nq0iWfURv4w_aem_6U3JBQAe4OXlGV4Gtw03w

Dear Parents and Carers

This week, four of our Year Six pupils took part in a Maths competition. I was very proud of them because when solving problems, they discussed things and worked together when making decisions. Well done children I am very proud of you and glad that you are all members of our school.

We also took our Pupil Parliament members to see Ormskirk council building and meet the Mayor. They enjoyed learning about what happened there and how votes were made. They voted for the SHARES pupil parliament prime minister and vice-prime minister. Please look at Facebook for pictures from the events.

School photographs will be taking place on Tuesday 20th October 2026. The family photographs will begin at 8.30 in the hall. The individual photographs will be taken during the school day.

We will be having a Halloween Party on the last day of term. The children will be allowed to wear their costumes to school and will enjoy a party/disco in the afternoon.

Don't forget that we offer a free Breakfast Club every morning from 8:25 a.m. All children are welcome, and there is no need to book.

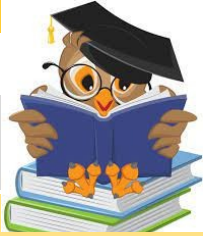
I hope you all have a lovely weekend.
Mrs Birmingham

Pupil Corner

Well done to Paddy for being recognised for his hard work and determination in taking part and improving his football skills. Paddy has received many medals and trophies for being man of the match. We are proud of you.



If your child has done something outside of school which we could celebrate please email to: head@st-edmunds.lancs.sch.uk



Our Reading Celebration Wall 2026/7

Gold Award (21/30 books)

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Bronze Award— (7/10 books)

David F Enzo

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.

