

## St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 17th October 2025

## This Weeks Spotlight!

## Year 5 & 6

This week Year 5/6 has been focusing our knowledge and understanding of numbers. The children have used their times tables knowledge to help them identify multiples of a number, as well as common multiples of a collection of times tables. In addition, the children have been using counters to make arrays to help hem understanding the rules of factors of a number and the visual representation helps to cement this understanding. In English, the children have been writing their modelled write this week. They have taken the model of The Nowhere Emporium and modified it slightly, including dialogue, noun phrases and metaphorical language. To complete the week, the children have planned their own ideas for a new and exciting narrative based upon this model. They will complete this next week.

Our History topic is very exciting at the moment, the children are learning all about the House of Wisdom and early Islamic inventions and mathematicians. The children have compared life in London and Baghdad at the same period in time, the results were very good. In PE, the children have developed their skills using a tennis racquet and a ball over the few weeks. This week, the children used these skills to play a small game of tennis. Focusing on keeping the ball of the floor and aiming it at the person opposite in their small court. Finally, the children have begun to explore the life of vocation in our new RE unit. In this unit the children will understand what vocation and commitment is and discuss people who give their lives for others.











#### **Classroom News!**

**EYFS** 

It has been another brilliant week in FSU and this week, Reception have been looking at the non-fiction book Me and My Family Tree and we have been finding out about family trees. We have also talked about who is in our own family tree and we found out that younger family members are at the bottom of the tree and older family members are at the top. In Maths, Reception have begun to look at 2D shapes and we have been describing the properties of a circle and a triangle. During choosing time, the children also created some 2D shapes pictures using the shapes they have been learning about. Nursery have been learning to sort objects and this week they have sorted objects by size, colour and shape.

In RE this week, we have continued with our new welcome topic, and the children have been learning about baptism and how people are welcomed into the church. This week, as part of our Home Sweet Home topic the children have been finding out about the different materials our homes are made from. We have also looked at some maps of Skelmersdale now and from the past, and we found out that there were more farms in past and now there are many more houses and buildings.

Keep up the good work FSU!

Year One & Two

This week, we were very lucky to go on a trip to the library. The children enjoyed an autumnal walk on the way there. We read some wonderful stories in the library and even got to make our own bookmarks! The children really enjoyed themselves, and I have to say I was extremely proud of them all for the excellent example they set for our school.

In Science this week, we became scientists and even architects! We designed houses using a variety of materials, testing to see if they could withstand the huff and puff of the wolf (actually Mrs. Beeley's hairdryer!). Once again, I was so impressed by the children's creativity, skills, and teamwork.

In English, our week has been filled with fascinating wolf facts! We ended the week by putting all our knowledge together to create informative leaflets all about wolves.

In Maths, we have continued our work on number bonds and have started exploring partwhole models.

Year Three & Four

Year 3 and 4 have worked incredibly hard this week! In maths, the children have tackled column addition with exchange brilliantly, showing growing confidence and accuracy — we'll be moving on to column subtraction next week. In English, we listened to a short tale and answered comprehension questions that focused on inference. Although piecing together the clues to find the answer can be tricky, everyone did a fantastic job! During PE, the children developed their communication and teamwork skills through an exciting relay task. We also enjoyed a visit from Compass Bloom, where we explored healthy relationships and the importance of working together. Our Goose-o-meter has been flying high most of the week — a wonderful reflection of the children's positive attitude and teamwork!



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

## **Growing Together in God's Family**

Tia 'Leigh Isabella

Jeremiah Ava-Jo

Aliyah Mamma

Caroline Catherine Eva

## Attendance Award This weeks winners are:

The winning class receives an extra playtime: Last week's overall attendance: 90.3% This week's overall attendance: 91.3%

58 children have achieved 100% attendance this week.

	This week's attendance	Pieces of pizza so far
FSU	88.3%	2
Year One & Two	87.8%	1
Year Three & Four	86.7%	3
Year Five & Six	98.1%	5

Well done Aiden

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 92% each week, will gain a piece of pretend pizza and if they are the first class to collect five pieces of pizza they will win a pizza party for the class.

## Dates coming up!

Dates	Activities	Who	Where
From Monday 20th Octo- ber 2025	Poppy Appeal Children can bring money into school to buy a poppy. Email has been sent out.	All children	School
21st October 2025	School Photographs	All children	School Hall
24th October 2025 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm	Fancy Dress Disco	All children	School Hall

# Congratulations

Miss Etherington 25 years service



Thank you for everything you have done for our school.

From Your St. Edmund's Family

## Dear parents and carers

What a fantastic week we have had! Our Year One and Two children enjoyed a visit to the library were they read books and made book marks. We had our Halloween crafts family session in school, it was very busy and everyone had a lovely time. Have a look on our Facebook account to see the wonderful pictures of our families and what they have made.

Compass Bloom has also been working with Year Three and Four this week, discussing positive relationships and how it is important to talk to each other. Compass Bloom will be in on Monday and will be discussing with the children about their mood. This will take place in assembly and is titled 'Marvellous Mood'.

Our Year Five and Six children are the first class this term to gain five slices of pizza by achieving over 92% attendance five times this term. They will be having a pizza party next week. Well done Year Five and Six.

Thank you to all our families for your bottle donations as you can see from the picture you were very generous and we thank you for that.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham





## **Our Reading Celebration Wall 2025/6**

Gold Award (21/30 books)

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Bronze Award— (7/10 books)
Anaya

#### 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.

