

## St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 17th December 2020

# This Weeks Spotlight! Year One and Year Two



What a busy week it has been in Year 1&2. In maths we have been learning about subtraction and our Year 2 children have been practising to exchange tens for ones. In English we received a letter from Father Christmas and have been writing our own letters to send back to him to tell him how good we have been this year. There has also been lots of singing practice, preparing for our Christmas video. In art and design we have been finishing our Christmas cards and decorations ready to bring home as gifts

for our families. We enjoyed a wet and muddy Forest School adventure on Wednesday. The highlights of our week though have definitely been our Christmas party on Thursday and our movie experience on Friday. We played games, watched a Christmas film, danced and had lots of treats with all our friends.



## **Classroom News!**

## FSU & Year One

FSU/Y1 have had a wonderful week! We loved our Christmas party on Tuesday and have enjoyed building Santa's sleigh out of giant cardboard boxes today! Have a wonderful Christmas everyone!

#### Year Three & Four

In year 3/4 this week, we had a great Christmas party on Monday and enjoyed lots of dancing and party games including pass the parcel and corners. This week, as part of our P.E. lesson, we had a mini competition where we had to put the new gymnastics skills we had learned this term together in a sequence and got certificates for perseverance, self-belief and star performer.

## Year Five & Six

In Year 5/6, We have been writing an exciting new chapter for the text War Game by Michael Foreman - we predicted what would happen next... We are finding out on Friday! In mathematics, we are calculating with mixed numbers and improper fractions. Also, we have had a craft afternoon making cards and decorations and on Thursday we decorated our own Christmas cookies .

#### Message from the Headteacher

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

We have had a lovely Autumn term. The children have been wonderful dealing with all the disruption in school through COVID. They have adapted well and have shown themselves to be very resilient. I am very proud of all of them and I hope you are too.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our wonderful staff members for their loyalty to the school and their determination in providing the children with the best possible learning opportunities. It has not been an easy term with the restrictions which COVID brings.

I would like to wish all the members of our school family a restful and peaceful Christmas and we all hope that 2021 is a better year for us.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham

## **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

Maycie Miller-Keegan Brian Lach

Molly McGrady Kinga Nolbert

Penelope Lawrenson Olivia Lawrenson

Savannah Corrie Ava-Jo Davies

## **Headlice**

We have had some cases of headlice in the school this week. Please read the following information:

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/

And remain vigilant.

## **Consultation**

We are in the process of considering our PAN—Published Admissions Number. At present, the PAN is 21, this can cause difficulties when deciding on class sizes particularly mixed classes. Reducing our PAN will enable us to have smaller classes in the younger aged children and more manageable classes in KS2.

I would ask you during the consultation to please read the Admission's Policy 2022/23:

https://www.stedmundswestlancs.co.uk/school-information/policies

If you have any questions or concerns about the reduction of PAN please do not hesitate to come and see me. I have also sent out a questionnaire about the nursery and further improvement. Please complete if it is relevant to you. Mrs Birmingham





## **Christmas Plans**

## **Christmas Show**

Our children have been learning songs and talking about the Christmas story. Please click on the link below to watch:

https://vimeo.com/492572242

The password is: Windrows

Please don't forget to look at Twitter to see all the lovely things which have been happening in school.

@SchoolStEdmunds

Please remember school returns on

Monday 4th January 2021

and we look forward to seeing you then.