St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 20th November 2026

This Weeks Spotlight!

Year 3 & 4

We started the week celebrating St Edmund's Day with a lovely Mass led by Father Kenny, which linked wonderfully to our current RE learning about the different elements of the Mass. In the afternoon, we had lots of fun with our Year 3/4 Escape Room Team Challenges! The children worked brilliantly together in teams to solve a series of puzzles, racing against each other to see who could crack the challenges first.

In Maths, we have moved on to multiplication and division, exploring arrays and using the grid method to help us multiply larger numbers. We are also putting lots of effort into securing our 3 times table. The class is taking part in weekly Times Table Rock Stars battles, competing for house points and keeping everyone motivated to practise and improve.















Our English work is coming along nicely! We have been exploring the thoughts and feelings of characters and using these to add detail to our diary writing. It has also been lovely to see such a positive focus on handwriting and presentation across the class. In Science, we have been investigating reflective materials and testing which work best as we begin designing our very own book bags. A busy week with lots of great learning and teamwork!

Classroom News!

EYFS

In class this week we had a visitor arrive! A squirrel, and he left us a message that his leaves had gone missing and could we help him find them. We spoke about who or what could have taken his leaves and how we could get them back. Also, we wondered about things we would like to know. We have looked at an Autumn Leaves poem and created actions to this. In Maths, Reception have been investigating triangles and circles; their properties and where we might find them. We went on a shape hunt in school and found lots of them. In Nursery Maths, we have looked at patterns; identifying them, predicting what comes next and then trying to make out own. This week in RE we have started to look at advent and all the things we do to get ready for Christmas. We looked at advent calendars and wreaths. The children then created their own advent wreaths, working really hard to cut out their candles.

Year One & Two

Another busy but positive week in class! We have begun practising for our Nativity and are already enjoying learning the songs and preparing for our special performance. In English, we have been exploring instructions and identifying the key features needed to help others follow a process successfully. In Maths, we have completed our Place Value unit to 100, building confidence in recognising, comparing and representing numbers.

Year Five & Six

This week, Year 5/6 enjoyed a fantastic Forest School session. The children made friendship bracelets, used tools safely to cut logs and create key rings, built dens using tarpaulins, and enjoyed a hot chocolate treat.

In Mathematics, the children have been using cubes to explore square and cube numbers and have been developing their understanding of multiplying and dividing by multiples of 10, 100 and 1,000.

St Edmund of Abingdon Day was a great success. The Year 6 children were excellent in their roles during Mass, and afterwards all pupils designed a new school badge inspired by Saint Edmund.

In English, the children completed diary entries based on The Legend of Beddgelert, focusing on the thoughts and feelings of the characters. Well done to all the children for another week of hard work and enthusiasm.

Classroom Rewards

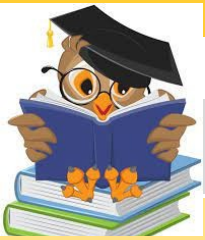
Each week children are encouraged to complete their work to a high standard (St. Edmund's Standard). Children who have tried their best to try and reach this standard will be awarded the 'St. Edmund's Standard Award'. Children are also encouraged to follow the school mission statement and show they are 'Growing together in God's Family'.

St. Edmund's Standard Award	Growing Together in God's Family
Jeremiah	Ava– Grace
Archie	Gracie
Igor	Elliot

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Autumn Important Events 206-2027 – Dates and times can change, so please check on regular basis.

Event	Date	Time	Place	Who	Children to wear
Anti-Bullying Day	**23rd November**	**All day**	**School**	**All children**	**Children to wear odd socks.**
Parents' Evening for KS1/KS2	**24th/25th November**	**3.30-5.30**	**School**	**Parents**	**NA**
Parents' Day for EYFS	**24th November**	**9.30 – 5.30**	**School**	**Parents**	**NA**
INSET Day	**27TH November**	**All day**	**NA**	**NA**	**NA**
Christmas Bottle Day	**30th November**	**All day**	**School**	**All children and staff**	**All children to wear own clothes. All children to bring a bottle which will be used for Christmas events.**
OLQP Carol Concert Rehearsal	**4th December**	**PM**	**St. Mary's Catholic Church**	**St. Edmund's Choir**	**TBC**
Family Christmas Crafts	**7th December**	**9.15 – 11.15**	**School**	**Parents and children**	**NA**
KS2 Children singing in Concourse	**TBC**	**TBC**	**Concourse**	**All KS2 children**	**Santa hat and tinsel around neck for scarf.**
OLQP Carol Concert	**8th December**	**6.00 start Children to be there for 5.30.**	**St. Mary's Catholic Church**	**St. Edmund's Choir**	**TBC**
KS2 Advent Mass	**9th December**	**9.30 am**	**St. Richard's Catholic Church**	**KS2 children and parents**	**Uniform**
EYFS/KS1 Nativity	**9th December**	**2.00 pm**	**School**	**Whole School Community**	**NA**
Winter Wonderland Dance Show	**10th December**	**TBC**	**Our Lady Queen of Peace**	**Dance Club**	**Outfit to be organised by Mrs Mitchell.**
St. Edmund's Stars – McDonald's Lunch	**14th December**	**Lunchtime**	**McDonald's**	**Children who have been chosen.**	**Uniform**
Christmas Crafts Cafe	**15th December**	**2.00 pm**	**School Hall**	**Parents and Children**	**Uniform**
Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner	**16th December**	**All day**	**School Hall**	**Children**	**Christmas jumper or brightly coloured clothes. Money raised to go to Alder Hey Hospital.**
Supper with Santa	**16th December**	**3.30 pm – 4.45 Pm**	**School Hall**	**Children who have paid the fee.**	
Christmas Parties	**17th December**	**During the school day.**	**Classrooms**	**Children**	**Partywear**
Christmas Collective Worship	**18th December**	**9.15 am**	**School Hall**	**Whole School Community**	**Uniform**
End of Year Celebration Assembly	**18th December**	**1.30 pm**	**School Hall**	**Whole School Community**	**Uniform**



Our Reading Celebration Wall 2026/7

Gold Award (21/30 books)

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Bronze Award— (7/10 books)

David F Enzo

Kamsi Harper Grace Max L Hayley

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.

