



# St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 20th March 2026

## This Weeks Spotlight!

### EYFS

This week in FSU, we have been planting seeds as a special way to think about growth during Lent. We talked about how Lent is a time to remember Jesus and how he grew in love, and how we can try to grow like him too. In collective worship, the children have also been thinking about Lent and we made some Lenten promises to help us be more helpful, share more and be more caring towards others.

Reception have also been orally retelling the story of The Scarecrow's Wedding, and the children really enjoyed looking at Miss Etherington's wedding dress, veil, and bouquet. In Maths this week, Reception have been learning about the numbers 9 and 10 and we have explored different ways of representing the numbers. The children practised representing the numbers 9 and 10 on our fingers, with dots and with objects.

Reception and Nursery have also been learning about Spring and the changes and new growth we are beginning to see around us. As part of our learning, the children enjoyed making their own springtime flowers using their fingertips and paint to create fingerprint flowers. This week, all of the children also had fun at the small world car wash and they enjoyed cleaning toy cars with sponges and shaving foam.



## Classroom News!

- Year One & Two** The children have been building on their knowledge of addition and subtraction using Base 10, number line and bar chart.
- The Year 2 children have worked on descriptive language skills, they have created a recount, a poster and acrostic poem linked to their trip to Blackpool Tower. The Year 1 children have focused on simple sentence structure to describe their trip to 'Imagine That'.
- The children have been developing drama skills 'hot seating' and 'roll on the wall'.
- They have learnt more about the local area (Skelmersdale) in Geography and discussed dislikes and preferences.
- In RE, we have learnt about 'Palm Sunday' and the 'Stations of the Cross'.
- Year Three & Four** This week, in English, we have finished our non-fiction unit on climate change and the Arctic. The children recorded a class presentation and also created rhyming poems, showing great creativity and understanding of the topic. In Maths, our focus has been on mass, where we have been learning to measure and compare using kilograms (kg) and grams (g). Swimming was excellent again this week—it has been really encouraging to see the children's growing confidence in the water, along with their fantastic listening skills and positive attitudes. Well done to everyone!
- Year Five & Six** This week Year 5/6 have been focusing on ratio in mathematics. They have been using a variety of shapes and scenarios to use the language of ratios, for example: For every X apples, there X amount of pears. This has led to the introduction of scale factor, and the children have been enlarging shapes to a scale of 2, 3, ... times bigger. In English, the children have been writing recounts of the first meeting of Romeo and Juliet. They have been using a lot of thoughts and feelings, as well as describing the scene.
- In Geography, the children have been looking at 4 and 6-figure grid reference and planning for our visit to the Concourse next week for our field work survey. Our RE has been focusing upon the aspect of Lent and how Easter is the most important time in the Christian calendar. Looking forward to a new beginning and how we prepare for this.



**This week's house point winners are:**

**Anderson  
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

**Mia**

**David**

**Hayley**

**Aron**

### Growing Together in God's Family

**Edward**

**Willow**

**Kyla**

**Max**

### Attendance Award

**This weeks winners are: FSU**

The winning class receives an extra playtime.

Last week's overall attendance: 91.7%

This week's overall attendance:

**xx children have achieved 100% attendance this week.**

	This week's attendance	Cinema tickets so far
<b>FSU</b>	100%	3
<b>Year One &amp; Two</b>	81.8%	1
<b>Year Three &amp; Four</b>	93.2%	2
<b>Year Five &amp; Six</b>	95.6%	2

Well done

Caia

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 golden ticket and if they are the first two classes to collect five pieces golden tickets they will receive a movie and hot chocolate experience for the class.

# Don't Forget



**Next Week**  
**Monday 23rd March**  
**Own Clothes Day**  
**Easter Egg Day**



Everyone is invited to wear their own clothes to school on Monday, children need to donate an Easter Egg to the school Easter Raffle.

All children will have one raffle ticket added to the draw.

**Money raised will be donated to CAFOD**



**Next Week**  
**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Easter Egg Competition and**  
**Easter Bonnet Parade**



Children in KS2 are invited to take part in the Easter Egg Competition and children in EYFS and KS1 are invited to take part in the Easter Bonnet Parade and Competition.

Dear parents and carers

What another busy week at St. Edmund's! Lots of fantastic things happening.

This week, Mrs Henderson took two of our children to the SHARES Oracy awards. Kinga and Aida represented St Edmunds impeccably- Kinga wrote a speech regarding mental health and how important it is to have good mental health and Aida wrote a great speech about online safety, which is definitely needed amongst our young people. They certainly made Mrs Henderson proud.



Next week is the last week of this term. We finish on Friday and if parents attend the awards assembly of Friday at 1.30 pm, children can be taken home early after that. School will return on Monday 13th April.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Birmingham

## **Big Family Bake Off Winners**

Thank you to all the children who took part in the Big Family Bake Off. The cakes looked amazing and taste amazing. It was a very difficult job tasting them all.

**First Place: David F**

**Second Place: Marty**

**A special mention to Aida, Kate and Sue.**

# Skelmersdale FUSS



## Skelmersdale FUSS

Free **U**niform**S** for **S**chool

**Recycled high-quality primary school uniforms completely FREE for EVERYONE**

Please donate your outgrown primary uniforms in our donation drums in school and we will give them away to local families

Request online under the 'What do you need?' heading on our website

Crow Orchard, Kingsbury, St Edmund's, St Richard's & Trinity

[www.skelmersdalefuss.co.uk](http://www.skelmersdalefuss.co.uk)

Our secondary school hub is at Trinity Methodist/URC Church, High Street, Skelmersdale WN8 8AT, Wednesdays 10-12pm



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We would like to thank the ladies from Skem FUSS who came in on Wednesday and helped support our school community with new and preloved uniform, it was a great success. If anyone missed the event and is in need of some uniform please go to the website [www.skelmersdalefuss.co.uk](http://www.skelmersdalefuss.co.uk) and contact them directly with what you need.

St Edmunds are hoping to hold another event in the summer.  
**Please donate any old/unneeded uniform to the Skem FUSS 'bin' in the foyer near the office.**



# Our Reading Celebration Wall 2025/6

## Gold Award (21/30 books)

**Ria**

## Silver Award (14/20 books)

**Grace David F Zak Igor Aron Harlem Kamsi**  
**Zain Darcy Enzo Kai Marty Tianna Anaya**  
**Kinga Aida**

## Bronze Award— (7/10 books)

**Lylah Skyler Sue Harper B Paddy Mc Caroline-Catherine**  
**Matthew Penelope Ava-Jo Benjamin Elouise**  
**Edward**

### 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.**

