



St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 20th January 2023

This Weeks Spotlight!

Year One & Two

Year 1&2 have had another fantastic week. We have been busy planning and writing our own versions of the story 'Katie in London'. The children have chosen some London landmarks they would like to visit and even a famous statue to take them on a tour of the sights. In Geography, we have been learning more about each of the countries of the UK. We have learnt about the National flags, flowers and even some places of interest. During RE, we talked about how Jesus is the most special person for the parish family. We spoke about how we listen to God's word through the Gospels and how these tell the story of Jesus' life. During our Maths lessons we have been learning more about fact families, odd and even numbers and number bonds to 20. A few of the children even got to practise their sewing skills earlier in the week, sewing details onto their puppets, we will continue this over the next few weeks. In Art, we explored some of the work by Pablo Picasso, linking his use of colour to emotions and the children produced some excellent portraits linked to this.

Keep up the good work Year 1&2!



Classroom News!

EYFS

This week, the children have continued with their learning on celebrations by learning about Chinese New Year. We talked about different ways that we celebrate different occasions and we watched a video on how Chinese New Year is celebrated. We remembered all the different ways that it is celebrated and compared it to our celebrations. The children then listened to the story of Chinese New Year and how every year is named after an animal. The children were then challenged to write as many of the animals as they could remember and make them from playdough.

Year Three & Four

This week in Year 3/4, we've been exploring what it would be like to be standing in front of a volcano. The children have used all their writing skills to produce a detailed description of the scene. In Maths, we've continued exploring our times tables through multiplication and division. While in Science, we've been investigating light. Well done on another brilliant week, team!

Year Five & Six

Year 5/6 have been working extremely hard this week to complete their final draft of their debate, the outcome has been wonderful. They have included emotive language, modals verbs and lots of language used in debate. In Maths, we have been exploring tricky fractions. The children have learnt to find equivalent fractions, convert a mixed number to an improper fraction and vice versa. Within our Geography unit, the children have been using atlases to focus in on the continent of South America. This week, Y5/6 have located where in the world the continent is and used atlases to locate the countries, borders and the capital cities. In RE, we have been exploring local charities in our area and discussing their role and how people can help others (mission) through kindness, care and selflessness.



**This week's house point winner is:
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

Molly Mr Grady

Paddy McGrady

Tia-Leigh Quinn Spencer

Skyler Davies

Care, Consideration and Courtesy Award

Isabella Singleton

Anaya Kamran

Chloe Galligan

Ria Gudimani

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are: Year 3/4

The winning class receives an extra playtime.

Last week's overall attendance: 87.4%

This week's overall attendance: 93%

This week 62 children have had 100% attendance. Their names will be in the draw at the end of the term. Well done children.

Our attendance has gone back up, well done everyone. Keep well!

FSU	92.5%
Year One & Two	92.5%
Year Three & Four	93.8%
Year Five & Six	92.9%

Announcement: Family Attendance Draw

At the end of each term, we are going to have an **attendance draw**. For every full week a child is in school they will receive a ticket which will be entered into the end of term attendance draw. Therefore the more full weeks your child is in school the greater chance you have at winning the draw. The prize will be a £25 voucher for Asda.

Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a great week in school. The children played out when it was snowing and showed great respect to each other by throwing the snow safely. It was lovely to experience the snow, it was great fun. We were sad to see it go.

The National Union of Education has announced a strike on Wednesday 1st February. I am in talks with staff and governors about the plans, I will inform you as soon as I know what is happening.

We are evaluating our afterschool clubs at present, there will be a number of different clubs available soon to the children. Please look out for the letters and return them as soon as possible.

We have had our English Hub adviser in this week, she has been working with our Teaching Assistants supporting them in their knowledge of phonics. It was a really helpful session and our teaching assistants really enjoyed it.

I would like to welcome Mr Sean Oswell to our governing body, he will be representing the parents with Mrs Stacey Jordan. I want to thank both of them for their time and dedication to the school. It is really helpful to the governing body to have parents who can express ideas and opinions from a parental point of view. This will help us to mould the school and make positive change.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham

Pupil Corner

Well done Chloe in Year Six who played for West Lancashire County Football Team.

She played against Chorley and although Chorley won, the girls played really well. Good luck in your next match Chloe!

If your child has done something special at home, please let me know so we can put it in the newsletter.

It would be lovely if we could share it with our school family.



HOLIDAY CLUB



FEBRUARY

13th-17th (9am - 4.30pm)



St Francis of Assisi School

Blakehall, Skelmersdale
WN8 9AZ



SHARES SCHOOL:

£11 PER DAY

£50 PER WEEK

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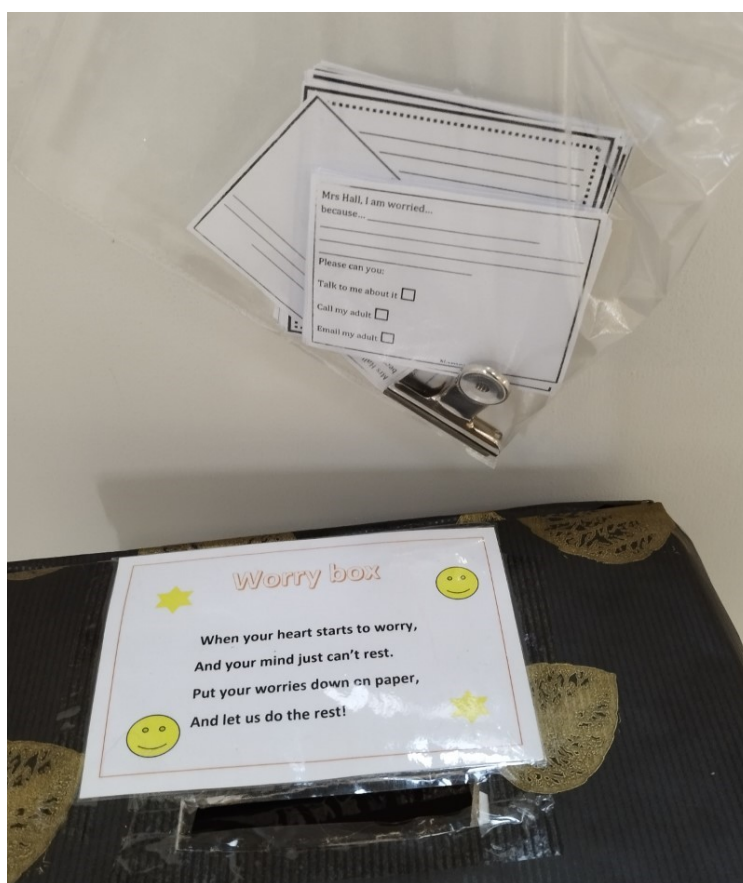
No bookings can be taken after Friday 10th February

Our Thrive Room

Our Pupil Support Manager Mrs Hall has been working really hard to develop one of the classrooms into a 'Thrive' room. The room is not a classroom for academic learning but for developing children's social and emotional well-being. All children in Key Stage Two have been in the room and enjoyed socialising with each other and learning how to be friends. Please ask your children about their time in the 'Thrive' room.

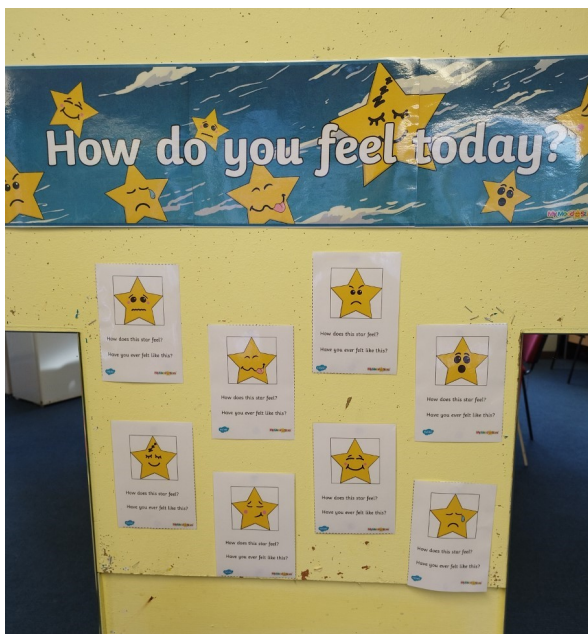


If the children are worried about anything and Mrs Hall is not in the room. The children can fill in one of the special slips and post it in her worry box. Mrs Hall will then find the child later and support them with their worries.



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Other pictures of the room.



We use the room for our mental health sessions, thrive sessions and parent meetings.

We hope to decorate the room soon.

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