

St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 21st March 2025

This Weeks Spotlight!

EYFS

In EYFS this week we have been exploring how we grow as people and how things grow. Our book this week is a non-fiction book about sunflowers. On Monday we looked at sunflower seeds, sunflowers and sunflower oil and discussed all we knew about plants. Through the week we have read some of the book and added what we know wot our spider diagram. On Thursday, we thought about what we needed to plant see and wrote a list. After getting these items, as a class, we wrote a set of instructions on how to plant seeds. We then followed these instructions to help us plant our own sunflower seeds!

In Maths Reception have continued to work hard on building numbers to 10. We have been focusing on 1 more and 1 less, subitising the numbers and composition of numbers to 10. We used 2 lots of cubes in different colours to show that we could add two numbers together to make another one. Nursery have been working har on comparing different weights of items. Using the balance scales, they were able to see which item was heavier and which was lighter.

Also, this week we have been discussing Lent and how we can keep to our Lenten promises. We spoke about what different ways we can 'Grow in Love Together' during this time and the children came up with some fantastic answers. We said we could help out more, share our things and care for other people. On Friday we explored differen forces like push and pull and how we feel them. We then used cars on a ramp with different materials on to see if we had to push them more or less to make them go.























Classroom News!

- Year One & Year 1&2 have been working hard this week. In English, we have started reading our Two new book 'The Tale of Peter Rabbit' and we have been writing lots of sentences and facts about Peter and his friends. In maths, we have been adding and subtracting tens and in science we have been labelling parts of the body. In RE, we have learnt that Jesus arrived in Jerusalem on Palm Sunday at the start of Holy Week. In PE, we have been performing some lovely balance, travel, jump and roll sequences in gymnastics and in cricket we have practised our batting and fielding skills. Well done Year 1&2!
- Year Three & I am very pleased with year 3 and 4 this week, we have worked hard on multiplications Four and the grid method, our maths books are well presented and work is clear. We have done a lot of research around our non fiction topic The Romans and are ready to map out our information leaflets next week. Reading and times table efforts increase every week. We have concluded our topic on Sicily and the children have built up some super geographical knowledge. On top of all of this we are working hard on our Easter play, learning our lines, the lyrics to new songs and stage directions. Well done everyone super effort all round.
- Year Five & Six Year 5/6 have been enjoying the planning and gathering stage of the current English unit. This week the children have been developing ideas for their own character, by using a roll on the wall character template, as well as investigating the characters personality. The children have also been investigating figurative language. They have developed similes, personification, metaphors, and used their senses to describe the platform, tunnels, toy booth and the bedroom in the Hugo Cabret text.

In mathematics, the children have been using their skills with multiplication and division to help them solve worded problems. The use of times knowledge was vital to help solve the problem and some children needed to rehearse theses a little more. The children have also been discussing our Journey In Love topic and discovering areas that are linked to growing up and relationships.



This week's house point winner is: Nightingale & 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	Growing Together in God's Family Award
Paisley-Mae	Aron
Kyla	Daisy
Ignacy	Blake
Kate	Darcy

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are: Year Three and Four

The winning class receives an extra playtime

Last week's overall attendance: 94.8%

This week's overall attendance: 86.7%

48 children have been in school every day and on time. Well done children you will be in the attendance draw.

	This week's attendance	Cups of Hot Chocolate so far
FSU	82.5%	3
Year One & Two	88.9%	4
Year Three & Four	91%	5
Year Five & Six	86.5%	4
	Kai	

has won the individual attendance award.

Well Done for being in school every day and on time.

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 90% each week, will gain a hot chocolate ticket and if they are the first two classes to collect five tickets they will win hot chocolate and a movie for the class.

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Dear Parents and Carers

A letter has ben sent out on Tuesday with the Easter Events on so that you can put it on your fridge. During the last week of term we are going to be having a whole school collective each morning at 9.05, parents are more than welcome to attend. The Easter dates are on this newsletter as well. Please keep an eye on them as they are subject to change.

School has been awarded £1,500 from TESCOS. This money will be used to develop a sustainability project in school. Children will be taught how to grow vegetables and we hope once we are established they will be able to sell their produce to you. Mr Alderman, Mrs Henderson and Mrs Fletcher are working on the project.

Mrs Henderson has asked me to thank those parent who came to our First Aid Course, it was well attended and parents learnt a lot about how they could administer First Aid if necessary. Thank you for organising it Mrs Henderson.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham

Attendance Drive

<u>This week children are encouraged to come into school</u> <u>every day on time. Those children who do will receive</u> <u>a special treat from the sweet box.</u>

Let's see if every child can get a special treat.

School Lottery

Please support the school by taking part in the school lottery. The money raised from the lottery will help to support the purchase of new computers, trips and special events.

https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/st-edmunds-catholic-primary-school



Easter Celebrations

Easter Bonnet Competition for EYFS/KS1

The children in EYFS and KS1 will be encouraged to decorate an Easter Bonnet at home and bring it into school. The children will take part in an Easter Bonnet parade and a winner from each year group will be chosen. The winners will receive an Easter Egg.

Easter Egg Decorating Competition for KS2

The children in KS2 will be encouraged to decorate a hard boiled egg at home and bring it into school. The children will present their egg and a winner from each year group will be chosen. The winners will receive an Easter Egg.

Easter Raffle

Tickets will be available shortly for our Easter Raffle. Children will be able to buy a strip for £1 and if they win they will be able to select an Easter Egg. Proceeds will go towards our school fund.

CAFOD Fundraising

On Wednesday 2nd April, the children will be taking part in a Sponsored Skip or Dance. We will then have a preloved sale after school. Monies raised from this will be donated to CAFOD as part of our Lent almsgiving.

Date	Event	Who
Tuesday 25th March 2025 Wednesday 26th March 2025 3.30 pm –5.00 pm	Parents' Evening	All parents
Wednesday 26th March 2025	Easter Crafts Sessions	All parents—Please see Mrs Henderson.
31st March/1st/2nd/3rd/4th April	Stations of the Cross	Whole School Community
Each morning at 9.00 am	School Hall	
Wednesday 2nd April 2025	Sponsored Skip and Dance	All children
Wednesday 2nd April 2025	Preloved Sale	Whole School Community
2.30 pm		
Wednesday 2nd April 2025 Lunch Time	Easter Lunch	All children
Thursday 3rd April 2025 2.00 pm	The Easter Children by Year Three and Four	Parents of Year Three and Four
Thursday 3rd April 2025	Easter Bonnet Competition	EYFS/KS1
Thursday 3rd April 2025	Easter Egg Decorating Competi- tion	KS2
Friday 4th April 2025	Celebration Assembly—	Whole School Community
1.30 pm	Attendance/ Raffle/House Points/Results of Easter Bon- net/Egg competition.	Those families who attend the Celebration will be able to take their children home afterwards.



Our Reading Celebration Wall 2024/5

<u>Gold Award (21/30 books)</u> Ria Zain Zak

<u>Silver Award (14/20 books)</u> Kai Coral Penelope David F

<u>Bronze Award— (7/10 books)</u>

Michael A Alicja Kamsi Paddy Lexi-May David B Matthew Emanuel Isaac S Max L Rueben C Hayley Daniel L Ignacy Kate Sue Matthew Ben

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.



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